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## CP Concours d'Elegance

Larry Brooks

The 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Exotic Sports Car Show & Concours d'Elegance is Sunday, **June 14, 2009**, and will be held on the front lawn of Arapahoe Community College.

For two and half decades, we have participated, volunteered and attended this event to help Cerebral Palsy of Colorado provide scholarships for early education, speech and language, and occupational therapies to low income families with disabled children. Last year this event raised \$95,000 for CP of Colorado.

Please plan to participate in this gala event by showing your Z car or attending. There will be over 350 sports, classic, collector cars and this year a special collection of classic motorcycles will be shown. We had 23 Z cars last year on display at this event, which is attended by over 6,000 spectators. Remember, your Z does not need to be a show car nor must it be judged to participate. Plan now to come out and enjoy a wonderful day of camaraderie with other car enthusiasts.

Late registration after May 18<sup>th</sup> will be \$50. Entrance contribution for spectators is \$10, with children under 12 admitted free. A \$1 off admission coupon will be available. Registration forms will be mailed to past participants, and registration will also be available online.

For additional information please contact Larry Brooks ([landbrooks@msn.com](mailto:landbrooks@msn.com)) or 303-773-1904.



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## President's Corner

June 2009

*"One foot on the brake and one on the gas  
Well there's too much traffic and I can't pass  
So I try my best illegal move  
A big black-and-white come an' touch my groove again*

*Go on and write me up for 125  
Post my face Wanted dead or alive  
Take my license and all that jive I can't drive 55*

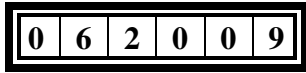
*When I drive that slow It's hard to steer  
And I can't take my car outta second gear  
What used to take 2 hours Now takes all day Huh  
It took me 16 hours to get to L.A.*

*Go on and write me up for 125  
Post my face Wanted dead or alive  
Take my license and all that jive I can't drive 55  
No No No I can't drive I CAN'T DRIVE 55"*

Sammy Hagar

On May 23, ZCCC got its first shot at the new High Plains Raceway and, trust me, no one was driving 55. I got up to 105 on the back straightaway and I wasn't the fastest one out there. HPR is a great track, but it will take a few sessions there to learn the course. There are blind curves, descending corkscrews and the aforementioned ½ mile back straight. I gave a few guys some entertainment when I didn't recognize turn 13, the one before the Prairie Corkscrew, and almost went straight off into the mud, of which there was plenty. My big brakes got a work out as I really had to lay into them to stay out of the mud and make the turn. I was amazed at how well everyone did in the rain that continued on and off all morning. When the sun came out just after lunch,

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the track quickly dried out and was even faster for a few. This is a much better track than 2<sup>nd</sup> Creek ever was and a lot safer than the State Patrol track. At State Patrol, if you go off, there is a better than average chance you'll end up in the rocks. Right Craig? At HPR, you'll get a little dirty and maybe muddy, but won't have to replace suspension pieces. Right Craig? I urge any and everyone with any curiosity at all about driving on a first rate track to come out for our next track event in September. You don't have to be an expert racer or even a good racer to have a good time.

When you do go, even just to watch, remember that the Colorado State Patrol is well aware of weekend racing at HPR. I'll almost guarantee you will see at least one patrol car after you get to Byers. I did.

As you may know, I was gone for a month to bird watch and visit family in Chicago. As much as I bitch about Denver and Colorado drivers, the ones in Chicago were much more stupid and rotten. Give you a break to change lanes; not on your life. Is there 3 inches between you and the car in front of you? Count on someone cutting in without even the courtesy of a signal. I am really glad I'm out of there but I will have to go back in July.

The CP Concours d' Elegance is June 14 at Arapahoe Community College. ZCCC is one of the named sponsors of the event and it would be great to see more than 20 Z / Infiniti's representing the club on the lawn at ACC.

I'll see you all at the next ZCCC meeting at the New York Deli News on June 3.

*Ira Sanders*

*President, Z Car Club of Colorado*

## **Holy Cross Abbey Winery Drive**

**June 20, 2009**

*Ken Cressman*

*Date:* Saturday, June 20, 2009

*Time:* Meet at 8:00 a.m. Will leave at 8:30 a.m.

*Place:* Park & Ride, at University Blvd and Dad Clark Drive (same place as previous years)

*Activities:* Private wine tasting, jazz, food, and

crafts

The drive to the Winery is considered part of the event!

## **Z Club 2009 Picnic**

**Saturday, July 11**

*Debbie Carlson*

This year our annual picnic will take place on the south-east side of the metroplex. The event will kick off at noon on Saturday July 11, 2009 at the Carlson "ranch," 15 minutes southeast of Parker. Normally 6 degrees cooler than Denver, the high prairie may offer you some blessed heat relief here in the middle of July. Based on the amount of rain received today (May 23<sup>rd</sup> at the High Plains Raceway) we anticipate no fire bans and cooking will be done over an open-pit barbecue.

This event is patterned like most of our picnics in that the Club will provide burgers, dogs, brats, soft drinks, plates and cutlery. Your hosts will provide the requisite condiments and you and your fellow guests will provide assorted salads, sides and desserts. As always, BYOB. A signup sheet will be available at the June and July meetings for you to indicate your presence and contribution. You may also bring your favorite camp chairs to supplement those available. If enough people are interested, the horseshoe pits will be made available as well.

Address: 9759 E Bayou Hills Lane (Parker). Phone: 303-841-4066

Driving directions: From the West and North (call for modifications if coming from the South or East) – Use whatever combination of I-25, 225, C470, E470 and Lincoln Avenue you choose to reach the town of Parker. From either E470 or Lincoln Avenue, proceed south along Parker Road, Approximately 6 miles south of Mainstreet, you will come to the intersection of Parker Road and Bayou Gulch Road (this is the second intersection south of Pinery North). Ponderosa High School is on your left. Turn left and follow Bayou Gulch Road east for 3 miles. At Bayou Hills Road turn left (can't turn right) and go north ¼ mile. We are the yellow brick house with the green door on your right. You can park in the circle drive, on the garage pad or in the field.

## Mid-West Z Fest 2009 Progress Report

*Tammy Sanders, Project Manager*

Hurray!!! We have our first registrations. Other news: the Promotions team is working fast and furious to bring sponsors on board. The Non-track team is finalizing drives. Mike Goddard is working hard with Tynan's Nissan on the Shine n Show. Merchandising team has been busy creating new promotional materials. Final Note: Remember the sooner as we get your registration the sooner we can start making final plans for the finishing touches to this Fun Filled Weekend. Visit [www.midwestzfest.com](http://www.midwestzfest.com) or [www.zccc.org/mzfa](http://www.zccc.org/mzfa) to register.

## New Discount Vendor -- Brakes Plus

I-25 and 120th Ave. in Thornton.

*Patty Troxell*

Brakes Plus at I-25 and 120th Ave. in Thornton is giving club members 15% discount on parts and labor. Not only do they do brakes, services range from alignments, belts/hoses, coolant exchange, shocks/struts, to transmission service. This discount is good on all types of vehicles, not just Z's. Our contact person there is Josh Jones, the Manager and Owner of this location. Our discount is good only at this location. When you call be sure to mention you are a Z Car Club member and be sure to have your membership card available when service is performed. Josh and his staff is highly recommended to us by Paul Hilsinger of Discount Tire who spoke to us at our May general meeting. Brakes Plus is located at 405 E. 120th Avenue in Thornton, right behind Discount Tire. Their phone number is (303) 255-9600.

## Membership News

*Andy Mortenson*

### Going-Going-Gone . . . .

#### April

Matt Colver, Henry Leuthauser & Mary Brondum, Diane Wendt

#### May

Gary Amelon, Mike Constable, Zack Craddock, Michael DeGenring, Austin McGinnis, Joel Mowers, John & Dana Pratt, Mary Sue Reinsma, John & Lois Student, John Tyler

#### June

ett Hufford, Robert Ingram, Eric & Lisa McAlonan, Joe McMillin, Gail Mund, Bob Nixon, Don Petersburg, Malcolm Shannon Jr., Steve Shriver, Laurie Steenrod, Sterling Stumpf, Dex Welden & Ann Jabour, Monica Zakry

### New Members for May

Randy Long, Golden, 2009 370Z; David Muramoto, Aurora, 2003 350Z; Luis Ordorica, Westminster, 2007 VW GTI

### Referrals Z Bucks

N/A



## June Birthdays

Daniel Bailin, Gary Bracken, Donna Brooks, Larry Brooks, Matt Colver, Michael DeGenring, Lois Eaton, Nolan Hargrave, William McClatchey, Ed McHugh, Joe McMillin, Gail Mund, Charlotte Robertson, Dave Sandbach, Laurie Steenrod, John Student, Phil Taylor

## Minutes

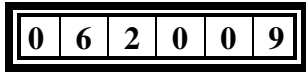
General Meeting, May 6, 2009

*Patty Troxell*

**Cheryle Derman, Vice President**, presiding.

Welcome to New Members and Guests. Alex Millward (guest) was present.

**Z Car Club of Colorado**



**Tonight's speaker:** Paul Hilsinger, Manager, of Discount Tire at I25 and 120th (355 E. 120th Ave).

## Officer Reports

**President**--Ira Sanders-absent.

**Vice-President**--Cheryle Derman: review of upcoming events was done. New additional events include a June 20th Holy Cross Abbey Winery trip hosted by Ken Cressman, July 11th picnic hosted by Bob and Debbie Carlson at their house, August 15th wine sharing event hosted by Nate and Cheryle Derman at their house, and October 10th Annual Banquet hosted by Cheryle Derman at White Fence Farm. Please see upcoming notices in the Odometer.

**Treasurer**--Debbie Carlson. Review of club finances was given.

**Secretary**--Tyler Richter-absent. Minutes from the two previous Odometer's were approved.

**Membership**--Andy Mortenson. 7 membership renewals and 3 new memberships have been received.

**Public Relations**--Patty Troxell. A request has been made to see if auto supply stores will give club discounts, including Checker Auto Parts and Autozone. This will be researched.

**Inter-Club Liaison**--Daniel Bailin, absent.

**Editor**--Gary Bracken. Articles and pictures need to be received by May 23rd in order to be included in the June Odometer.

## Old Business

Tammy Sanders gave an update on the Midwest Z Fest (MZF). The Shine 'n Show will be held at Tynan's Nissan dealership. The MZF website is up and running. Registration for the event is now available. The discount registration fee for club members is \$22.50. For club members to get this reduced rate registration must be received by early August. The discounted registration fee does not include a MZF T shirt. Further information will be available at a later date.

Patty Troxell gave an update on the post surgery progress on Ron Gardner. As Ira mentioned in his President's message, Ron had surgery and has been discharged from the hospital. Ron had the successful re-

moval of a benign brain tumor and has had an uneventful post operative course. Hopefully he will attend our June meeting.

Roy Davis has received 28 registrations for the May 23rd track event at High Plains Raceway.

Cheryle Derman received a letter indicating the official opening gala event for the High Plains Raceway will be held August 1st. Please see the High Plains Raceway website ([www.HighPlainsRaceway.com](http://www.HighPlainsRaceway.com)) for further information.

Debbie Carlson thanked the membership for their patience during the Odometer email conversion.

## New Business

Cheryle Derman stated that Mike Goddard will head up the election committee to develop a slate of Board Officers for next year. Also, a request for suggestions for speakers at upcoming meetings was made.

Debbie Carlson mentioned the possibility of having a permanent printed article to be left at our vendors providing club information to defray the cost of printing and mailing a copy of the Odometer on a monthly basis. She recommended that a committee be formed to pursue and develop this possibility.

**Speaker Paul Hilsinger, Manager, of Discount Tire** at I25 and 120<sup>th</sup>, answered questions ranging from how do you determine the age of a tire, how to properly store tires and how do you find the load index of your tires. Paul also provided some of the gifts used in the raffle drawings. Reminder that our club discount is available through Paul at his location only. This is not a nationwide discount. You can contact Paul at (303) 255-3595. Thank you, Paul, for speaking tonight.

Manny Montoya won the 50/50 in the amount of \$50.

Also, thank you to Gary Bracken for providing prizes for the raffle drawings.

Minutes taken and submitted by Patty Troxell in the absence of Secretary Tyler Richter.



## Photo's of the Z Run 5-23



**2009 370Z (Randy Long) & 1973 240Z (Daniel Bailin)**





**Carlos, Mike and Roy**



**Sue Keim with 300ZX**



**Track**



**Vehicles running at track**



**Ira Sanders**



**Track**



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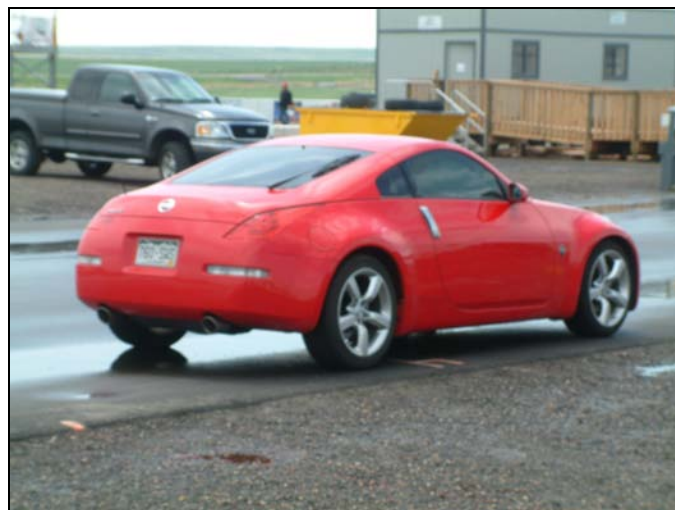
**240Z**



**Marilyn and Lois**



**350Z**



**350Z (David Muramoto)**



**Richard, Craig, Steve & Mike**



**Walt at tower**



## Z Trader Cars/Parts

### FOR SALE 1982 280ZX (non-turbo)

After 13 years of dependable service, my prior daily driver is being made available to a new owner. Like many of us, her exterior could use some new paint and a bit of rust repair, but the body is strong and straight. Interior is in very good condition. Silver and blue 5-speed with leather seats, "talking car." Asking \$1250. Contact Debbie Carlson @ 303-841-4066 (H) or 303-707-4237 (W). Email [Debbie@wildwoodcacfp.org](mailto:Debbie@wildwoodcacfp.org). (7-09)



#### Odometer Advertising Information

**For members:** Free Z-related ads. Send a clear photo with your ad if you have one. Ads/picture should be submitted by email to [gbracken2487@comcast.net](mailto:gbracken2487@comcast.net), or mailed to Gary Bracken, Editor, 2487 S. Dover Way, Lakewood, CO 80227. Call me with questions at 303-969-9964. Ads will be in upper and lower case lettering. Ads posted for 3 months. Resubmit as necessary. **Go to [www.zccc.org](http://www.zccc.org), and click Odometer for examples of ads.**

**For non members:** Picture and Ad Full Page: \$100, Half Page \$60, Quarter Page \$35 per ad for 3 months. Car/parts ad: \$5 for 3 months. Send the ad/picture and a check (payable to ZCCC) by surface mail or email to addresses above. Ad must be received by the 23rd of the month. The Editor will hold your ad (if sent by email) pending received payment.

### WANTED

Front bumper cover for a '90-'96 300 ZX, turbo or non-turbo. Prefer "cranberry" color, but I'll take any color. Contact Debbie Carlson with details of any available. (H)303-841-4066 (W)303-707-4237 or [debbie@wildwoodcacfp.org](mailto:debbie@wildwoodcacfp.org). (7-09)

### FOR SALE

I have a clean set of doors off a 1982 [280ZX](#) and [misc.](#) upgrade suspension parts and wheels and tires for sale. Ted Peterson, 720-218-9971. (8-09)

### WANTED

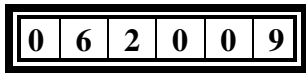
I need help in finding a set of Weber [carbs](#) for my [Z](#). Would like either 45 or [47mm dcoe's](#). Ted Peterson, 720-218-9971. (8-09)

### VENDOR DISCOUNT LIST (6/1/09)

The following is a list of businesses that offer discounts on goods and/or services to ZCCC members. Don't forget to tell your contact you are a ZCCC member and have your membership number ready before ordering -- in case it is requested. Please tell them "thanks for being a ZCCC supporter." Businesses and discounts are updated periodically.

COMPANY	ADDRESS	SERVICES	CONTACT	PHONE	DISCT
Boulder Nissan	2285 28th Street, Boulder, CO 80301	Z Parts Only	Eric Stockton Present Card	303-443-8110 303-443-8110	20%
		Service			10%
<b>Brakes Plus</b>	405 E. 120 <sup>th</sup> Ave (I25 & 120 <sup>th</sup> ), Thornton, CO	Parts & Labor	Josh Jones	303-255-9600	15%
Bud's Muffler	1010 Santa Fe Drive, Denver, CO 80204	Parts	Mike, Ken, Jeff	303-629-0934	15%
Courtesy Nissan	1777 N. Central Expressway, Richardson, TX 75080	Parts	Mat	800-527-1909	20%
Dent Clinic	658 Simms Street, Golden, CO 80401	Dent Repair	Rick or Tony	303-234-1948	10%
Discount Tire	355 E. 120th Ave, Northglenn, CO 80233	Tire Purchases all cars and trucks	Paul Hilsinger	303-255-3595	Up to 20%
Elite Auto Glass	All Front Range Locations - 16 Stores, call for Nearest location	Windshield No labor charge	George	303-817-1777	75%
		Tempered Glass No labor charge			68%
Empire Lakewood Nissan	10345 West Colfax, Lakewood, CO 80215	Auto Parts	John Von Tilius	303-232-8111	15%
		Labor	Bob S.		10%
Go Nissan	5067 S. Wadsworth Blvd., Littleton, CO 80123	Parts & Labor	Corky Morrow	303-904-7766	20%
Import Parts Warehouse	501 Kalamath, Denver, CO 80204	Auto Parts	Carol Ivey Ext. 650	303-825-2000	Varies by product
John's Sunroof	4346 South Broadway, Denver, CO	Clear Bra	Daryl Martinez	303-761-1931	10%
Larry Miller Nissan	5001 South Broadway, Englewood, CO 80113	Parts and Labor	Bob Miller	720-274-5230	10%
Motorsport Auto	1139 West Collins Avenue, Orange, CA 92867	Auto Parts	Anyone Answering	800-633-6331	10%
Nissan of Scottsdale	7000 E. McDowell, Scottsdale, AZ 85257	Parts	Joe Ramierz	480-994-0301	20%
Ralph's Speciality Shop	6000 W. 55 <sup>th</sup> Place, Arvada, CO 80002	Auto Body & Paint Work	Ralph	303-424-1706	15% Labor only
Sears	All stores in Colorado and several other western states	Car accessories, including tires, batteries & services performed	Dan Turner, 10785 W. Colfax Ave, Lakewood	303-235-6250	Commercial discount price
Tynan's Nissan	780 South Havana, Aurora, CO 80012	Nissan Parts	Byron/Gary	303-341-7330	20%
		Labor	Calvin	303-341-3471	20%
Tynan's Nissan	5811 South College Avenue, Ft. Collins, CO 80525	Nissan Parts	Scott	970-226-3757	20%
		Service		303-571-1455	20%
Valley Nissan	1005 Florida Avenue, Longmont, CO 80501	Parts	Roy	303-443-5009	15%
		Service	Mike	303-443-5009	15%

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#### **\*\*\*\* Upcoming ZCCC Events \*\*\*\***

**June 3, 2009**, (Wednesday) Monthly Meeting, **7:00pm** at **New York Deli News** located at 7105 E. Hampden Ave. **(Everyone attending must order off the menu – soup & salad, sandwich or entrée)**  
**Jim, from IWP Parts, is the speaker.**

**June 14, 2009** – (Sunday) CP Concours d'Elegance [page 1]  
**June 20, 2009** -- (Saturday) Holy Cross Abbey Winery [page 3]  
**July 11, 2009** – Annual Picnic [page 3]  
**August 15, 2009** – (Saturday) Wine Sharing  
**September 12, 2009** -- (Saturday) High Plains Raceway Track Event  
**September 10-13, 2009** -- Midwest Z Fest [page 4]  
**October 10, 2009** – Annual Awards Banquet at White Fence Farm

#### **Other Events**

**July 18, 2009** – Car Show at Douglas County High School, 303-350-8241 Cell  
**Sept. 28-30 & Oct. 1-2, 2009** – ZCCA National Convention, San Antonio, Texas

**Z Car Club of Colorado**