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# President's Corner April 2019



## **Ira Sanders**

#### "Zoooommm

Tooling down the highway doing seventy-nine I'm a twin pipe papa and I'm feelin fine Hey man dig that was that a red stop sign

Transfusion transfusion
I'm just a solid mess of contusions
Never never never gonna speed again
Slip the blood to me Bud

I jump in my rod about a quarter to nine
I gotta make a date with that chick of mine
I cross the center line man you gotta make time

Transfusion transfusion
Oh man I got the cotton pickin convolutions
Never never never gonna speed again
Shoot the juice to me Bruce...

Oh barnyard drivers are found in two classes Line crowding hogs and speeding jackasses So remember to slow down today Hey daddy-o Make that type O huh Atta-boy" – Transfusion by Nervous Norvus (1956)

If Jimmy Drake who used the stage name of Nervous Norvus' was still around today and updated the lyrics to the present time, I'm sure there would be stanzas about texting and cell phones. With so many drivers out there who have no concern for the safety of others and apparently no concern for their own safety, every day we see someone, and unfortunately more, paying more attention to their phones than they are to their driving. Almost not a day goes by when I'm held up at a light because someone ahead of me is messing with their phone instead of watching the light change. Getting held up at a light is pretty minor compared to what can happen and did happen to one of our Club members when apparently someone wasn't paying attention and rammed into her car. Liz Egetoe is a member of the Club and was formerly our Motorsports Coordinator. She is residing in the Atlanta area for work and has suffered a very severe concussion necessitating her resignation from the Motorsports position. She has lost a substantial portion of her fine motor skills as well as finding her reaction and processing time abilities at only a small fraction of what they were. She was crawling in traffic when some idiot traveling at highway speeds hit her from behind and then again from the side before the vehicles stopped moving. She has access to some of the best medical treatment available for athletes and I know everyone in the Club wishes her a fast and complete recovery. Get well Liz.

The ZCCC Constitution Revision committee is moving along with its work and you will be seeing our work most likely in a special edition of the Odometer. I'm sure all of you are waiting with uncontrollable anticipation to read our suggestions for improving and updating the Constitution, By-laws and Rules of the Club. cont. pg. 3

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# President's Corner Continued

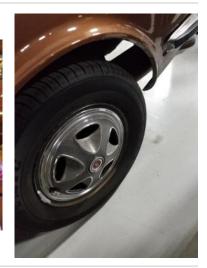


I'm afraid you will have to keep your anticipation in check for a little while longer as we finish working on it before you get to read this masterful tome.

With the help and coordination of our speaker at the March meeting, Gail Hamilton, the Club is trying to pull together an event that involves visually impaired kids and a rally. You will see a more detailed announcement about this event on page 10 of this Odometer. Let's see the Club really respond to this call for participation and give these kids a thrill.









Recently Liz, the clubs Motorsports coordinator, has found her self in horrific accident. Join me in well wishes and prayers as she continues on a long road to recovery.



## Join us on Facebook



Like and Follow our Facebook Page "Z Car Club of Colorado" Click <u>HERE</u> to like and follow

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## **EVENTS**



## **Apr Board Meeting**

When: Tuesday, Apr 2, 2019 @ 6:00 p.m.

Where: Via Conference Call

like to attend the board meeting, please like to attend the board meeting, please contact Ira Sanders

## Apr General Meeting

When: Wed, Apr 3, 2019 @ 7:00 p.m.

Where: Overland Golf Course.

1801 S Huron Street, Denver, CO 80223 1801 S Huron Street, Denver, CO 80223

(Near Santa Fe & Evans)

## May Board Meeting

When: Tuesday, April 30, 2019@ 6:00 p.m.

Where: Via Conference Call

If you are not a board member and would If you are not a board member and would contact Ira Sanders

## May General Meeting

When: Wed, May 1, 2019 @ 7:00 p.m.

Where: Overland Golf Course.

(Near Santa Fe & Evans)

IMPORTANT: During the winter months, the golf course closes early due to current conditions and general participation. The staff works late the first Wednesday evening of the month just for the club. The board requests everyone attending the ZCCC general meetings to please order off the menu. It is OK to share a meal.

## April Fools Rally

When: Saturday, April 7, 2019 @ 10am Where: Thornton Ball Field parking lot

Host: Gail Mund

Cost: \$10.00 per vehicle

Colorado Van Association presents the 44th Annual April Fools Rally. This years rally will start at the Thornton ball field parking lot, one mile east of Washington on Thornton Pkwy and York St.

Come Rain or Shine the rally will go on.

At rally's end, there will be trophies, dash plagues, raffles, drinks, and food. A few of our ZCCC participants have taken home some of the awards over the years.

Hope to see you there!

#### Gail Mund









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#### Nismo Fiesta 2019

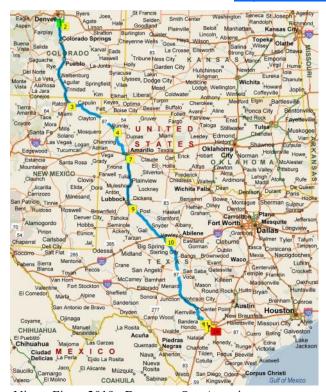
When: May 3-5, 2019 Where: San Antonio, TX Host: Diana Inberg

max pts. 5 for this multi day event

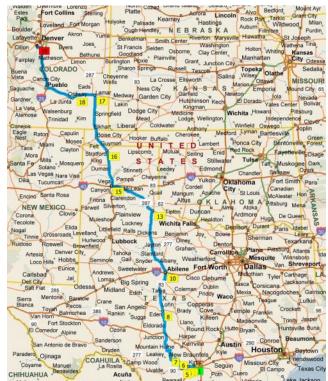


Come celebrate Cinco de Mayo in San Antonio, TX.

This is a multi-day event: We will depart Denver May 2, 2019, along the way we will visit Cadillac Ranch, Second Amendment Cowboy and the Phillips 66 Cowboy. Plan to stay the night in Lubbock, TX (Hotel already selected). Dinner is planned at a nearby restaurant, returning to the hotel for a couple of beers. May 3 we'll drive, have lunch, and arrive in San Antonio in time to make the opening ceremonies. Events will be held the next two days. May 6, we'll leave San Antonio on a different route back to Denver with a planned stops at The Grace Museum, Frontier Texas, U.S. Route 66-Sixth street Historic District, 6th St Texaco Gas Station, NPS, Fort Bent NHS and an overnight in Childress, TX. For more details on the Fiesta visit https://www.facebook.com/NismoFiesta



Nismo Fiesta 2019; Denver to San Antonio



Nismo Fiesta 2019: San Antonio to Denver



Thank You to Don Gordon, Patty Troxell and Cheryl McKenney for March event photos







## **Car Show: American Legion Post 2018**

When: May 18, 2019, 8:00am to 12:00pm Where: Heather Gardens, Aurora CO

Host: Andy Mortenson

together.

Suggested \$20.00 entry fee Cost:



American Legion Post 2018 is hosting a car show on Saturday, May 18th at Heather Gardens in Aurora. There will be food, music, door prizes and awards for the best vehicles. Parking and registration begin at 8:00AM and the show runs from 9:00AM to 12:00PM. There is an entry fee of a suggested \$20.00 donation which supports Heather Gardens Post 2012 veterans' programs. The address is 2888 S. Heather Gardens Way. There is no website yet, but I can email you a registration form, use the form below or give you a paper copy at the next meeting. It would be a good idea to get your registration in early because the show is limited to 60 cars. Please contact me if you have any questions.

> **American Legion Post 2018 Car Show May 18, 2019**

2888 S. Heather Gardens Way Parking area in Picnic/Pavilion lot, north of the flag pole Follow the signs Entry Fee suggested \$20.00 donation Parking & Registration begins at 8:00 am Show 9:00am - 12:00pm

Burgers & Hotdogs - Music by The Eye Pod - Awards - Drawings Parking is limited to 60 spaces

#### Your donation supports Heather Gardens Post 2012 Community Veteran Programs You can pre-register and guarantee your space by sending an email to

Annette Johnson at annettephd@comcast.net

LAST Name.	FIRST Name:	
Phone #	E-MAIL:	
Vehicle Year:	Vehicle Make and Model:	
<b>Are you a Veteran</b> Ye	s/No Are you a member of The American Legion Yes Post #	No
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### 2019 ZCCC Annual Bike Ride

When: Saturday, June 1, 2019 @ 9:30am Where: Denver Mattress/Furniture Row

Host: Andy Mortenson

Cost: Free

Join us on Saturday, June 1st, for the 2019 ZCCC annual Bike Ride. We'll meet at 9:30 AM in the parking lot of the Denver Mattress/Furniture Row store located at the intersection of Parker Road and Quincy Ave in Aurora. The lot is located on north east corner of the intersection across from the Sinclair gas station. We'll ride along the South Cherry Creek Trail 13 miles to Parker and back. We'll have lunch in Parker at the Hickory House restaurant. If 13 miles is a little too far, you can begin the ride at the Cherry Creek Trail Head located on the south side of Arapahoe Road just east of Jordan Road in Centennial which will just about cut the length of the ride in half. The trail is relatively flat all the way to Parker so this will be an easy ride.

### **Annual Chili Cook-Off**

When: Saturday, June 8, 2019 @ 6pm

Where: Derman's Home

Host: Nate and Cheryle Derman

Cost: Free



This year we are again hosting this at our home. Prizes will be awarded for the best chili and best homemade dessert. Whip up some spiciness or a tasty dessert and join us for this enjoyable evening. Since this is at our home, please feel to bring a tasty adult beverage. There will be a sign up sheet at the May and June meetings. You may also bring an appetizer or other delicious dish instead. We also need shredded cheese, sour cream and onions. Any questions, please call or email Cheryle













## COLORADO CONCOURS D'ELEGANCE

SUNDAY, JUNE 9, 2019 FROM 9AM-3PM AT ARAPAHOE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

BENEFITING CREATIVE OPTIONS FOR EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION A PROGRAM OF ABILITY CONNECTION COLORADO



## C.P. Concourse D'Elegance

When: Sunday, Jun 09, 2019

Where: Arapahoe Community College

Host: Fred Minister

Registration Ends: Tuesday, May 21st

Cost: \$50.00



Join us Sunday, June 9, 2019 for a great day filled with food, fun, and entertainment for the whole family!

Come laugh, have fun and mingle with "automotive related" friends and clients, while helping us raise funds for Ability Connection Colorado's Creative Options for Early Childhood Education Centers.

From classic to From classic to collector, vintage to the latest and greatest, incredible cars will compete at the 36th Annual Colorado Concours d'Elegance & Exotic Sports Car Show. If you have a personal or business interest in cars, or just want to have fun, you will want to be there.

Because of you, our caring automotive and automobile related friends, four metro area Creative Options for Early Childhood Education Centers are able to provide developmental screening and assessment services, individualized mental health services and other critical services to over 500 children, ages birth to five, each year.

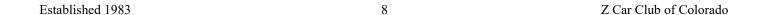
Your registration/entrance/sponsor/vendor fee(s) is tax-deductible and may qualify for the Colorado Child Care Contribution Tax Credit. Please consult your tax advisor.

Mark the date on your calendar, come out and join us for a chance to see some beautiful cars and take part in an event for a great cause. (registration available online at <a href="https://www.abilityconnectioncolorado.org">www.abilityconnectioncolorado.org</a>)





Together, we can create a brighter future for at-risk Colorado children!







## **Steak & Lobster for Angel Eyes Foundation**

When: June 15, 2019 Where: Minister's Home Host: Kathy Minister

Cost: Price of Lobsters and Steaks

More info to follow.





#### **Zcon 2019**

When: July 14-21, 2019

Where: Hilton Branson Convention Center, Branson, MO

Host: Roy Davis

max pts. 6 for this multi day event

Hey there Z Car Club members, the 2019 National Z Car Convention will be held in Branson, MO. The dates for the convention are July 16 to 21, 2019. The website can be found at (<u>www.ZCON.org</u>).

Registration can be found at <a href="http://zcon.org/conventions/2019/registration.html">http://zcon.org/conventions/2019/registration.html</a>

The hotel will be the Hilton Branson Convention Center <u>reservations</u> (room rate \$139+tax).

**Event Schedule** This schedule is tentative and subject to change!

Special Guests include Yoshihiko Matsuo, Toshio Yamashita, Hiroshi Tamura "Mr. GT-R", Johnnie Gable, "Mad Mike" Taylor and the largest Scarab Z reunion in ZCON history

We will be leaving July 14 with an overnight in Kansas City. We will meet up with other car clubs for a drive to Springfield, Mo. There we will meet with other clubs and drive into Branson together. Should be fun. For a map of the route, please see March's Odometer.







Drive to Colorado's Eastern Plains August 24 and 25, 2019

This multi day, 400 mi road trip will take us to the Historic Beecher Island Battlefield, Travel the South Platte River Trail Scenic Byway, and past the Historic home of Glenn Miller. Along the way we will search for several geocaches, Historic markers, cemetery's, even a phone booth. The road surfaces are all paved so I am thinking we could take the Z cars. Save this weekend for a fun filled drive. More details will be posted in the Odometer as we get into summer.

## 35 Annual ZCCC Banquet October 5, 3-6pm

This year's dinner will be at Cinzzetti's. This is the Club's annual end/beginning of the year meeting. The event begins with socializing at 3:00 pm followed by brief board reports, announcements, outgoing board and install your new 2019/2020 board and of course dinner. Cinzzetti's buffet menu can be viewed at <a href="http://www.cinzzettis.com/colorado/foodmenu/dinner/">http://www.cinzzettis.com/colorado/foodmenu/dinner/</a>. Join us for this fun afternoon of good friends and good conversation. Sign up by September 27

In Process: Joint car rally between ZCCC and visually impaired kids. We have buy in from the Lion's club, Gail Hamilton and Trina, a teacher of the Blind/Visually Impaired and Certified Orientation & Mobility Specialists. The hope is that we can up with a rally with some minor changes to accommodate the kids. The thought is to have the kids ride along with club members, reading the instructions via brail to the driver. At the end would be food, drinks and awards. This is in its beginning stages of organizing. If the club can pull this together we will need drivers to show these kids why we love our cars and how much fun they are. If interested in helping to put this event on, please let Tammy Sanders know.

## **Non-Sanctioned Events**

I would like to bring back a listing of Non-Sanctioned Events to the Odometer. Should you like to turn one of these events into a Sanctioned Event, Please reach out to VP Don at <a href="mailto:vice-president@zccc.org">vice-president@zccc.org</a>. If you have intel into an event that you think club members would like to know about, let me know a few details and I will post it for you. Here are two that I know about at this time:

Non Sanctioned Event: Hosted by Diana Inberg in the past years.

10th Annual Bad Does good Toy Run & Car Show. Sat June 29th, Aurora CO.

Sponsored by the Corvette Club Benefits: Children's Hospital Treasure Chest, Entry Fee—New Toy Donations https://www.facebook.com/events/2014963592153057/

#### **Non Sanctioned Event:**

3rd Annual Holy Rollers Charity Car Show. Sat. Aug. 17th 2019, Broomfield CO.

Benefits: Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Online registration (via Eventbrite) is now open at www.holyrollerscarshow.com



## **MEMBERSHIP NEWS AND INFO**

## **Going-Going-Gone**

Feb: Dave Daniels, Gerald Jordan

**Mar:** Steve & Lois Eaton, Dan Wils Hansen, William & LaVern Lohringel, JoAnn Sainz-Dean

**Apr:** Mario, Jo & Vince Busnardo, Jack & Gail Epling, Nick Linch, Gail Mund, James & Karen Peterson

## **Membership Information**

Memberships – 81 Members – 104

Membership Cards are available for print on the web site. If you would like a laminated card, email Andy Mortenson

## **Welcome to New Members**

Luis Lagomarsino, Highlands Ranch 2008 350Z

Welcome back! Craig & Linda Williams Arvada 2004 350Z

## Referrals & Z Bucks



#### **Guest Speakers**

The board would like to bring back to the General meetings a guest speaker.

If you know of someone or have ideas, Please contact and coordinate with VP Don Gordon.



Jaber Alwakeel (4/20)

Gary Amelon (4/22)

Mario Busnardo (4/25)

Walt Caron (4/5)

Michelle Ku (4/17)

Fred Minister (4/3)

Jim Nelson (4/25)







## **CLUB INFORMATION**



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## 2017-2018 Elected Officers

President: Ira Sanders president@zccc.org

Vice-President: Don Gordon vice-president@zccc.org

Secretary: Cheryl McKenney

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Treasurer: Bill Lohringel

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Membership: Andy Mortenson

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Public Relations: Mike Goddard

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Inter-Club Liaison: Travis Scott

club@zccc.org

Odometer Editor: Tammy Sanders

Odometer@zccc.org

## **Appointed Positions**

ZCCC Representative to the ZCC

Association: Travis Scott

Welcoming Host: Kathy Minister

Motorsports: Vacant

Webmaster: Scott Swiger

Historian: Bruce McKenney

**CP Concours: Fred Minister** 

Name Badges: Fred Minister

50/50 Drawing:

Don Gordon & Ira Sanders

Facebook: Tiffany Gordon

**ZCCM Magazine Subscription: Ira Sanders** 

#### Club Sponsor:





April is National Pecan Month



## **LAST MONTHS MEETING MINUTES**



#### March 6, 2019, Overland Golf Course

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm. Welcome to new member Jason Spegal

**Secretary Report:** Cheryl McKenney

Approval of minutes from the December and January meetings.

Vice President Report: Don Gordon

The February meeting was cancelled due to the weather and the communication by email of the cancellation worked well.

- Upcoming events: March 23<sup>rd</sup> Cars, Beer and Food
- April 7<sup>th</sup> —April Fool's Rally May 3<sup>rd</sup> -5<sup>th</sup> Nissmo Fiesta
- May 18<sup>th</sup> Heather Gardens Car Show
- July 16<sup>th</sup> 21st ZCON in Branson, MO

#### Treasurer's Report: Bill Lohringel

Nothing to report at this time.

**Membership Report:** Andy Mortenson

We currently have 81 memberships, 104 members and 9 renewals.

Public Relations Report: Mike Goddard

Nothing to report at this time. Inter-club Report: Travis Scott Nothing to report at this time.

**Odometer Report:** Tammy Sanders

If you have any pictures for the Odometer, please send them to Tammy. Submissions to the Odometer are due by 20<sup>th</sup> of the month.

**President:** Ira Sanders

The club is working on a review of the Constitution and will make recommendations for any changes. The Odometer will now be a secure document on the website. The club would also like to post photos from events on the website and on Facebook. The annual banquet at Cinzetti's has been booked for October 5, 2019. The club is looking to move the 50/50 raffle outside during the warm weather months. Also a reminder that each couple needs to order a meal off the menu. If you drive your car you will receive an additional raffle ticket. The club is also looking at having all of the old photos scanned and put on the website. Alex Millward has volunteered to scan the photos and the club will have the slides done professionally.

### **Guest Speaker:**

Inspirational speaker Gail Hamilton, Soaring into Greatness.

#### Old Business:

None

#### **New Business:**

None

Winner of the 50/50 give away, Mike Goddard.

Meeting adjourned at 8:59 pm.



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Cost	Members	Non-Members
1/4 Page	\$0	\$35
1/2 Page	\$0	\$60
Full Page (6 photos)	\$50	\$100

# OR

#### 240Z Parts For Sale

I have the below listed parts from my 1971 240 that I stripped off of it before sending the body to scrap - I was not able to do all of the work the body needed. All are the original parts except the floor pans I bought from

Motorsport 12 years ago. I have had these parts in my garage for the entire time and do not need them any more (I bought another 240). Make me an offer on the parts you might want. I would be happy to send photos of any items of interest.

- Hood with latch and mounts
- Rear Hatch with glass intact
- Transmission, 4 speed manual
- Both doors, minor bottom rust, glass intact
- Gas tank
- Floor pans
- Both bucket seats-need recovered
- Some other parts stored in plastic boxes, inquire and I'll check if I have what you may need
- An almost perfect, uncracked dash with all original instruments (stored in my basement)



- Radiator

- Engine



Contact: Bill Clark, wjmclark@q.com or 303-520-3960 (please leave a voice or text message if I do not catch your call).

Ad expires May 2019



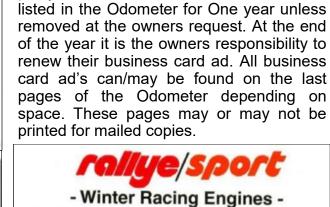


## **Business Card Ads**









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#### **Jeff Winter**

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## **EXTRA**



COLUMN

**BROCK ON** 

## The Rising Sun

BY PETER BROCK, LEGEND BEHIND BROCK RACING ENTERPRISES



or some 40 years, the most important vintage car event in America, the Monterey Historics, ignored the increasing importance of Japanese automobiles. Vintage racing on the hallowed Laguna Seca circuit could be said to have been "invented" decades ago by visionary racer Steve Earle. He did it to celebrate the passion and ingenuity of designers, who simply wanted to create something faster and more beautiful than their contemporaries.

The problem was that he loved old racing cars so much he couldn't see the times changing around him. Automobiles that were just slightly obsolete when he started the Historics were quickly becoming collectable as his event grew in popularity. When the rest of the motorsports world finally realized just how wonderful it was that he'd created this event, it had become so important that only the most select examples of earlier eras were invited.

Events all over the world were soon emulating Earle's Historics, and the veteran vehicles that qualified to attend began soaring in value. Since automobile racing had begun in Europe almost as soon as there were two cars, Earle's event focused on those classic early European examples. He didn't recognize that Japan had built and begun racing examples of its own with as much passion and enthusiasm as those created on the other side of the world.

The Historics thus excluded Asian cars, despite the fact that several significant Japanese designs were just as interesting and unique as the marques from France, Germany, Italy and England. Yes, there were occasional token appearances by highly important Japanese cars, like Mazda's 1991 Le Mans-winning 787B prototype in '04, but that automotive unicorn was so wonderfully special it could hardly be ignored. Everything about it, like its rotary engine and tradition-breaking victory in France, seemed to define exactly why the Historics had been created in the first place. Nevertheless, Japanese cars were, for the most part, excluded from Monterey.

As the years passed, a whole new generation of car enthusiasts grew up driving and even racing imports from the Land of the Rising Sun against the firmly established marques from Europe. They created their own storied history, winning championships and proving the engineering and aesthetic value of designs that few had ever considered potential icons.

In that time, a Japanese marque once called Datsun built a reputation as a giant-killer, both in sales and competition. That's because the president of the American division, a gentleman called Yutaka Katayama, was more than a successful business executive. Mr. K happened to love automobiles so much that he built their success on the philosophy that others would also appreciate his concept of quality and aesthetic beauty.

His dream was to build such a car and make it available at a price that almost anyone could afford.

Mr. K also believed in proving

his dream in competition. The result was an automobile called the Datsun 240Z. Introduced in 1969, its graceful lines and stunning performance on the race track created a sales sensation so powerful that the parent company in Japan, Nissan, couldn't build them fast enough. Back orders for the Z were so numerous that a whole new generation of buyers, who had never considered a Japanese import, were forced to wait months as the factory struggled to meet demand.

Ironically, the handsome 240Z became such a well-recognized design that over time it was considered "common," hardly possessing the iconic status that time would eventually bestow. In spite of the fact that as decades passed the Z continued to win SCCA national championships against the best from Europe, the top examples were never invited to compete at the Monterey Historics.

When Earle moved his event out of Monterey, new blood continued on with the Monterey Motorsports Reunion. Fresh thinking allowed the 240Z to finally receive recognition for its historical importance and the barriers it broke. And it was set to break one more.

This year, for the first time, Japanese cars were invited to Monterey, and the Reunion became a showcase for the best Japanese vintage examples ever seen.

Laguna's record gate proved there is a passion for Asian imports that easily exceeds what the event has seen in years past. Welcome to the future.

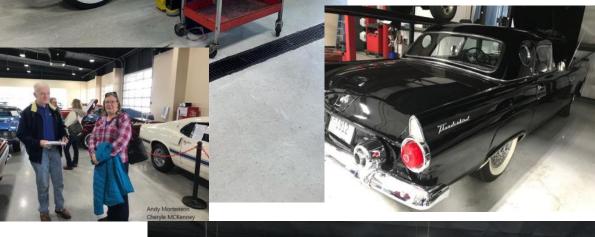
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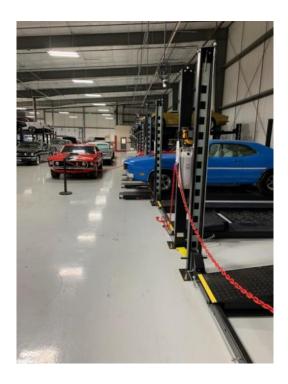






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## **UPCOMING EVENTS QUICK REFERENCE**

April General Meeting	Wednesday, Apr 3, 2019	7 pm	Overland Golf Course
April Fools Rally	Saturday, April 7, 2019	10:00 sm	Thornton, CO
Nismo Fiesta 2019	Friday, May 3-5, 2019		San Antonio, TX
American Legion Car Show	Saturday, May 18, 2019	8:00 am	Heather Gardens
ZCCC Bike Ride	Saturday, June 1, 2019	9:30 am	Aurora, CO
Annual Chili Cook-Off	Saturday, June 8, 2019	6 pm	Derman's home
C.P. Concourse D'Elegance	Sunday, Jun 9, 2019	7:30 am	Arapahoe Community College
Steak & Lobster / Angel Eyes	Saturday, June 15, 2019		Minister's Home
ZCON 2019	Tuesday, Jul 16-21, 2019		Branson, MO
Drive Eastern Plains	Saturday, Aug 24-25, 2019		Holyoke, CO
35 Annual Banquet	Saturday, Oct 5, 2019	3 pm to 6 pm	Cinzzetti's