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THE PREZ POST

BY CHERYL MCKENNEY



As another fiscal year comes to a close I would like to take a moment and reflect on the past year for the Z Car Club of Colorado.

Our year started out with some board members in new positions and some continuing in the ones they had previously held. As a first time president I had a few new ideas for the club that I was hoping would increase participation in events. The first one being the car show rebate for attending the Concourse and two other car shows. As of now it looks like 9 members will be receiving the rebate! We also added a special drawing at the meetings for members who drove their Z. The board also tried to feature a different chassis at each meeting. The board also was committed to trying to keep the meetings to an hour or less and allowing members to have more time to discuss Z related topics.

This year the Club has also supported our sponsor and vendors for the Club. Attendance at the Empire Nissan car show was tremendous, as was for the Gateway show. We also had events for the Man Cave and at SpeedFx. It has been great to see people out showing off their Z's and enjoying all the events members have been hosting. We have had events hosted by old pros and ones hosted by some first timers. All in all it has been great to see members being active in the club!!

I would like to take a moment to thank all of our board members. Thank you to Mike Rhyne for keeping track of all the events and for informing us of everything that is happening. Thank you to Travis Scott for making sure the Club is fiscally responsible. Thank you to Patty Troxell for reporting the business of the Club for the members that are not able to be at the meetings. Thank you to Andy Mortenson for keeping our membership roster accurate and up to date and for helping to welcome new members into the club. Thank you to Wendy Rhyne for keeping us informed on all the national Z car events. She is a great source of information of all things ZCCA. Thank you to Tiffany Gordon for facilitating our Zoom meetings and leading our social media presence. Lastly, I would like to thank Cheryle and Nate Derman for their contribution to the Club. Cheryle has served as our Odometer editor for several years and has not only kept us in the know about events but has served as the unofficial historian with all of the pictures included for the events. Thank you Cheryle for all you have done for the club. And, Nate has served as Public Relations after being President. Nate has made sure our Vendor list is up to date and has a variety of vendors to improve or repair your vehicle. Your contributions to the Club go beyond all of the positions you both have held and are appreciated more than I can express.

Soon we will be starting a new year and I am looking forward to all the amazing things to come for the Club. But for now that is all I have to report.



LETTER FROM YOUR EDITOR

From the Editor

Summer is coming to a close even though we are still experiencing 90+ degree weather. It was so much fun attending all the summer car shows. We still have three September events. And ZCON. One car show and three driving events. They should be fun and quite beautiful watching Colorado shows off her beautiful fall leaves. Of course, we will look forward to the banquet in October and two, possibly three holiday events in December. I am sorry to be leaving the Board but it will be nice to have more time to myself. I know the Odometer will be in the capable hands of Jason Spegal in November. Please give him all the support you have given me.

Don, Judy and Tiffany Gordon were spotted at a Bronco Pre season game showing off their 2023 active member gifts. Battery chargers



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CLUB MEETING

Disclaimer: The views and opinions expressed in this newsletter are those of the authors and do not necessarily reflect the official policy or position of the Z Car Club of Colorado or the Odometer editor.

To protect club member's privacy, for events hosted by members, please log into zccc.org/members to view organizer's contact information.

September 2024 Board Mtg.

When: Wed. Sept. 4 2024 @ 5:30 p.m.

Where: Gateway Classic Cars

If you are not a board member and would like to attend the board meeting, please contact Cheryl McKenney

October 2024 Board Mtg.

NOT HELD

September 2024 Gen.Mtg.

When: Wed. Sept. 4, 2024 @ 7:00 p.m.

Where: Gateway Classic Cars

October 2024 General Mtg.

When: Sat. Oct. 5 2024 @ 5:30 p.m.

Where: Meadow Hills Golf Course

AGENDA

6:30 PM Look at Gateway cars and socialize.

7:00 PM Call meeting to order, establish a quorum, welcome everyone, birthday greetings, approve Minutes. Board reports, old business, new business, 50/50
Adjourn. Tech talks after adjournment.

THIS IS OUR LAST IN PERSON MEETING AT GATEWAY CLASSIC CARS. WE WILL BE MEETING ON ZOOM THROUGH APRIL, 2025. MAY 2025 MEETING LOCATION TO BE DETERMINED.



This is so very important! Even though we are now meeting in person for one more month, there are a great many events being held. Please remember to check Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/ZCarClubOfColorado/> and the website zccc.org before heading out to an event. Due to unforeseen circumstances or weather, events may be cancelled,



August 7, 2024

By Patty Troxell

In-Person – Gateway Classic Cars Denver

The meeting was called to order at 7:13 pm and quorum established.

Returning former member present: Patty Lamb. Welcome back Patty.

No guests present.

Board Report:

Secretary – Patty Troxell

The approval of the minutes for the July meeting was motioned, seconded, and approved.

If a member needs an absentee ballot for the upcoming election, email me at

secretary@zccc.org

Treasurer – Travis Scott - absent

Cheryl McKenney states Travis has nothing to report.

Membership – Andy Mortenson

The club has 137 members and 106 memberships.

Interclub Liaison – Wendy Rhyne

Review of upcoming events was presented. Details are in the Odometer.

Public Relations – Nate Derman

The club has a new vendor, Concept Z Performance.

Odometer – Cheryle Derman

The September and October editions of the Odometer will be Cheryle's last publications as she is retiring from this position.

The Banquet menu was discussed. The sign-up form for the Banquet is published in the Odometer. Additional Banquet details are in the Odometer.

Vice-President – Mike Rhyne

Review of upcoming and previous events was given.

Jason Spegal stated an event with the NM Z Car Club may still be in the works or perhaps a ZCCC event in southern Colorado/northern New Mexico.

Active member points and car show tracking sheets are available tonight for members to review.

President – Cheryl McKenney

Condolences to Carole was given.

New date for the Spooktacular event at Empire Lakewood Nissan!! This event will now be held on Saturday, October 12th. Jason Spegal will be the host.

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Old Business:

Cheryle Derman nominated Jason Spegal for the open Board position of Odometer Editor and Jason accepted. Nominations from the floor regarding the upcoming election are now closed except for the open Board position of Public Relations which will remain open.

The 50/50 drawing winner: Mariann Byrne. Congratulations!

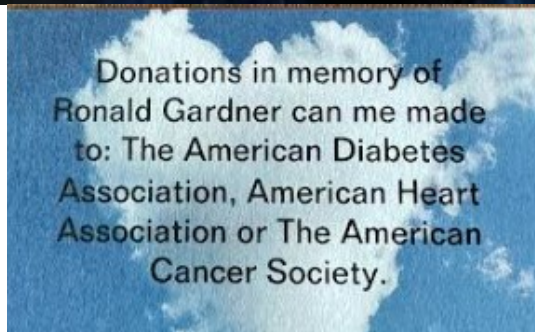
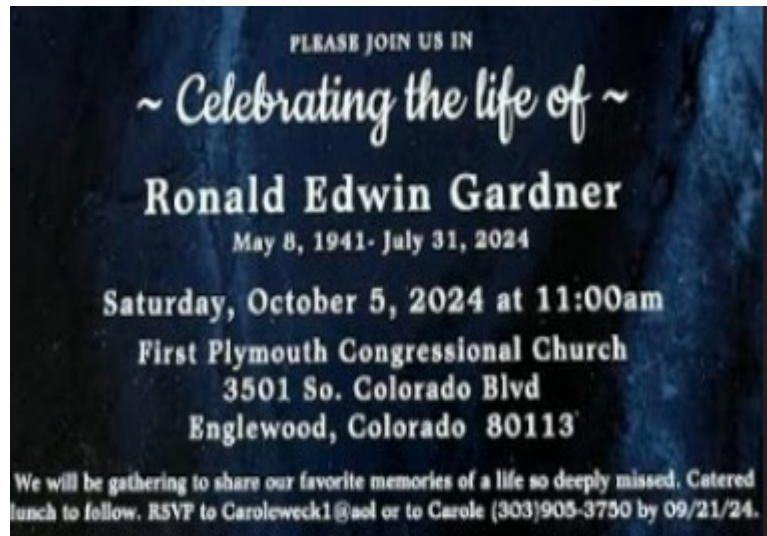
For members who drove their Z to the meeting, the winner of a virtual Amazon Gift card is Kathy Minister. Congratulations!

A belated Happy Birthday to Debbie Carlson.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made, seconded, and approved.

The meeting adjourned at 8:16pm.

RON GARDNER





MEMBERSHIP NEWS AND INFO

Renewals Due...

JULY: (Your membership is past due): None

AUGUST: (Your membership is past due): James Kehl, Shawn Krebs, Jim Nelson, Colleen Odechuck, Jason Spegal

SEPTEMBER: (Your membership is up for renewal): Mike Goddard, Keith & Lorena Lucas, John Marr, Rick Mraz, J. Iredell Smith, Tyler Webber

Memberships not renewed within 2 months of the anniversary due date will be dropped from the Club's active status.

Z-Bucks

To receive a Z buck, the name of the referring member must appear on the new member's application.

What are they and how do I get them? Refer someone to join the club, and when they do, you get \$5.00 in Z bucks to use toward membership.

Z BUCKS FOR AUGUST: None

NEW MEMBERS FOR AUGUST:

Patty Lamb, Denver, 1973 240Z (returning member)

Membership Information

Memberships — 99 Members — 130

Moving or Have Moved Don't forget

to update your address, phone numbers and email in the [Edit My Profile](#) under your name in the upper right corner. Membership Cards are available for print on the web site. If you would like a laminated card, email Andy Mortenson.

ZCCM MAGAZINE

Renewals and new subscriptions for the 2024 season of the ZCCM are available.

For those interested in renewing, or a new subscription of this amazing magazine for 2024, please contact Jason Spegal. The price will be \$21.50 (\$13.50 for the subscription + \$8.00 for direct mailing to your mailbox).

Payment options:

You can pay via PayPal, or by check. If either of these do not work for you please contact Jason Spegal to see if an alternative option can be worked out.

If paying by PayPal please send to jspegal@spegalnetworks.net, and include a note with your name and "ZCCM". Example: "ZCCM for John Doe"

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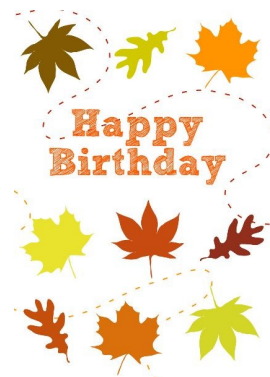
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Magazines are normally distributed during the club meetings, however, we are only meeting in person May through September, this has been changed to mailing only.

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS:

Wayne Cassidy (9/21), Felipe Diaz (9/27), Joel Goldstein (9/28), Mark Ingles (9/3), Joyce Johnson (9/22), Scott Maher (9/24), Kirk Noble (9/13), James Pasono (9/11), Elliot Sandberg (9/3), Cliff Sholders (9/27), Thomas Sirola (9/6), Carole Weckbaugh (9/17)





ANNUAL MEETING AND BANQUET CELEBRATING CAR SHOWS

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2024

5:30 to 9:00 PM

Meadow Hills Golf Course

3609 S Dawson Street, Aurora, CO



Please register for the Z Car Club annual meeting and banquet on Saturday, October 5, 2024 at Meadow Hills Golf Course. The registration form will be posted in the August edition of the Odometer. There will be a buffet, a cash bar, Active Member Awards, Outgoing board members and installation of our 2024-2025 Board, 50/50 and a lot of celebrating. This year our theme is car shows as we had a great many to attend. Please bring any awards and ribbons you have received this year to share with our members. If you qualify for the \$20 rebate for attending Concours d'Elegance and at least two other car shows, you will receive it at the banquet.

BUFFET MENU IS AS FOLLOWS:

Grilled Chicken/Baked Salmon in lemon butter sauce

Roasted potatoes

Vegetable medley

Dinner salad

Dinner Rolls

Cheese cake

Coffee, iced tea, lemonade and water

Please let your host, Cheryle Derman know if you have any dietary needs.

We hope you attend whether you are a new member or long time member with lots of history to share, we will enjoy seeing you there. **MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO "Z CAR CLUB OF COLORADO"** and mail to **Cheryle Derman, 1545 S. Richfield Way, Aurora, CO 80017**



REGISTRATION FORM IS ON PAGE 9



CELEBRATING A YEAR OF CAR SHOWS

**Z CAR CLUB OF COLORADO
ANNUAL BANQUET AND GENERAL MEETING**

Saturday, October 5, 2024

5:30 to 9:00 PM

REGISTRATION FORM

\$30.00 PER PERSON

CONTACT: CHERYLE DERMAN

720-937-2437 dermancheryle@gmail.com

Please register by Monday, September 30, 2024

Name _____

Number attending _____ Phone # _____

Email Address _____

Amount Enclosed _____

Walkins welcome with payment at the door

Mail to: Cheryle Derman,

1545 S. Richfield Way,

Aurora, CO 80017

Let Cheryle know if you have any dietary needs

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CLUB INFORMATION



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2021-2023 Elected Officers

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Vice-President: Mike Rhyne
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Secretary: Patty Troxell
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Treasurer: Travis Scott
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Membership: Andy Mortenson
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Public Relations: Nate Derman
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Inter-Club Liaison: Wendy Rhyne
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Odometer Editor: Cheryl Derman
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Appointed Positions

ZCCC Representative to the ZCCA: Wendy Rhyne
Motorsports: Travis Scott

Historian: Bruce McKenney

Name Badges & Decals:
Jason Spegal

50/50 Drawing: Gail Mund

Welcoming Host: Mario Busnardo

50/50 Door Prize Coordinator: Wendy Rhyne

Social Media Director: Tiffany Gordon

ZCCM Magazine: Jason Spegal

Constitution Analyst: Patty Troxell

Webmaster: Mike Rhyne

Z Car Club of Colorado Social Event Recap

Hosted by: Mark Ingles

Saturday, Aug. 3rd

Woodland Park, CO at Memorial Park

What a great event this was, replete with bottomless wine tasting, fun time together, great music, and tasty food!!

It was a beautiful Saturday morning as several met up at the meeting place off of I-25 overlooking the Air Force Academy, chatted for a bit, enjoyed the view, and then headed off together in caravan to Woodland Park.

After parking, we headed over to Memorial Park where the event was being held. At the gate we received our wine tote and tasting glass and headed on in to enjoy an absolutely perfect weather day. There were many wineries, cidery's, and meaderys, with lots of tastings done by all that day. Plenty of eats were to be had, and the various bands that played through the day just added to the fun, plus we had the pond to enjoy as well. I came home with 9 bottles of wine with many at special festival prices, so I'll continue to enjoy the spoils of Vino & Notes for days to come!!

I will likely repeat this event next year and hope more of you will be able to join in for this fun time August of 2025.

Cheers!!

- Mark



Photos provided by Mark Ingles and Mario Busnardo



Annual SpeedEFX Car Show Benefiting HopeKids Recap by Mike Rhyne

August 10, 2024

The Annual SpeedEFX Car Show Benefiting Make-A-Wish was a great show and a great cause. We had a few members showing Zs and nice weather. Quite a bit of money was raised to support Make-A-Wish's mission to grant life-changing wishes for children.



Photos by Nate Derman



Castle Rock Cars and Coffee for JDM Day Recap August 11, 2024 By Mike Rhyne

Castle Rock Cars and Coffee JDM Day was a fun morning with cool, cloudy with a touch of rain for the weather but that didn't stop a great showing of Zs and all sorts of other beautiful and unique cars. The Castle Rock events seem to pull in some of our members and their cars that we don't see as often and that is one of the reasons that make them fun!



Photos by Nate Derman



ANNUAL BBQ AND WINE SHARING RECAP

BY NATE DERMAN

SATURDAY, AUGUST 17, 2024

What a beautiful night for a BBQ. The weather was perfect, although a little hot. It was a "Hot August Night" for sure. 16 members and 1 guest made the evening very enjoyable. The brats and burgers were complimented by all sorts of sides from potato salad to macaroni salad, grits, and, of course, Kathy's deviled eggs. The dessert counter was full as well with homemade cookies, pies and cake. It seems the wine isn't as popular as it used to be but we did have a few options for some guests to enjoy.

On behalf of Cheryle, Chloe, and myself, thank you all who attended and we will see you right back here in December for our annual Holiday party and gift exchange. Thanks from me, your host...Nate



Photos by Nate Derman and the Gordons



MISSISSIPPI AVENUE BAPTIST CAR SHOW RECAP Saturday, August 24, 2024 By Andy Mortenson

The ZCCC was well represented at the Avenue Church (formerly called Mississippi Avenue Baptist Church) 10th annual car show on Saturday, August 24th. Ten Z Cars and 15 members arrived in time to enjoy a free breakfast burrito and a nice sunny day for a car show. There were over 100 beautiful cars, trucks and motorcycles in attendance vying for door prizes and class awards. Unfortunately, none of our cars were among the winners, but I think everyone had a good time anyway. I want to thank all those in attendance for coming.



Photos by Mark Ingles, Andy Mortenson and Nate Derman

GATEWAY CLASSIC CARS – CAFFINE & CHROME RECAP

August 31, 2024 By Matt McDole

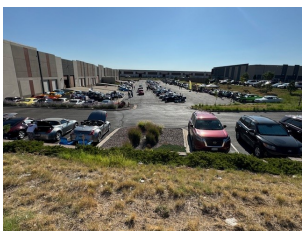


Saturday August 31, 2024 ZCCC was a featured car club at Gateway Classic Cars in Englewood. There was an excellent turnout of ZCCC members and Z cars. 25 members and guests attended as well as at least 2 pups. 21 Z cars were shown.

Our cars were shown just to the West side of the Gateway building .At our show space we had our banners mounted on a table. Also, the table had club materials. The weather was sunny and great .

As featured car club ZCCC received a \$200 donation from Gateway. Group photos were taken in front of our banners. Gateway invited the public to bring cars to the show and the south lot had many cars for people to view. People could also tour Gateway’s facility with about 200 cars for sale. After we booked the date as FEATURED CAR CLUB, Gateway added another car club whose cars were parked to the West of the ramp. Gateway also added PAWS FOR A CAUSE to the event and encouraged attendees to bring pets, especially dogs. Gateway provided coffee and donuts.

Overall this seemed to be a very successful and well received event. A special thanks to Cheryl and Bruce McKenney for bringing and setting up the table and banners . Also, thanks to Patty, Nate and Mario who helped a lot. And thanks to all who helped out and attended.



Photos by Nate Derman and Gateway Classic Cars

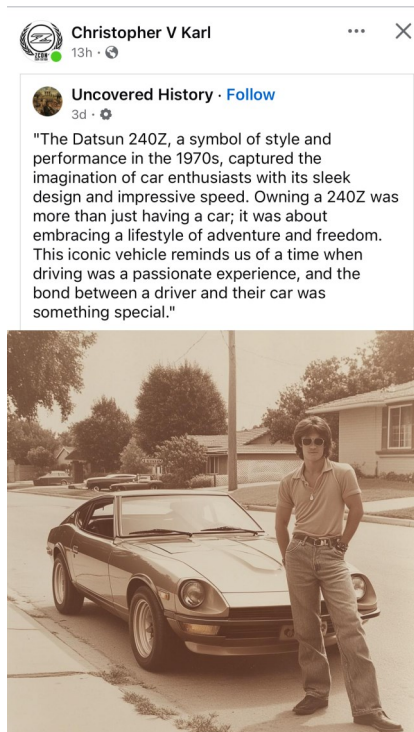
UPCOMING EVENTS QUICK REFERENCE AND SAVE THE DATE



General Meeting	Wed. Sept. 4, 2024	7:00 p.m.		Gateway Classic Cars
Paint Recycling/Car Show	Sat. Sept. 7, 2024	10:00 AM	pg. 19	Douglas Cty High School
ZCON	Sept. 9th—Sept. 14th, 2024	All Day	pg. 20	Tampa, Florida
Hoosier Pass Drive	Sat. Sept. 21, 2024	8:45 AM	pg. 21	King Soopers
NMCO Run	Fri. Sept. 27-Sun. Sept. 30, 2024	10:00	pg. 22	Trinidad
Annual Banquet	Sat. Oct. 5, 2024	5:30 PM	pg. 9	Meadow Hills Golf Cours
Trunk Or Treat	Sat. Oct. 12, 2024	4:00 PM	pg. 23	Empire Lakewood Nissan
Toys For Tots Drive	Sat. Dec. 7, 2024	10:00 AM		Gateway Classic Cars
Annual Holiday Party	Saturday, Dec. 14, 2024	6:00 PM		Derman Home
Childrens Hospital Toy Run	TBD			

All upcoming events for the year through December are listed above. Please save the dates on your personal calendar. Also note, that most future events you may be interested in listed above are on our website www.zccc.org with a brief description.

Only events for the upcoming two months at a time have articles in this current issue. Please click on the page number and it will take you to the event article.



Submitted from Facebook by Cheryle Derman

EVENTS



Paint Recycling Event and Car Show

Saturday, September 7th, 2024

Paint recycling event and car show to support the Douglas County High School Lacrosse Team

WHEN: Saturday, September 7th, 2024.

TIME: 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 PM

WHERE: Douglas County High School, 2842 Front St, Castle Rock, CO 80104

HOST: Cal Cavey

Join us to show off your cars and support the Douglas County High School Lacrosse Team old paint recycling event from 10 am until 2 pm. GreenSheen Paint will offer free paint recycling. The lacrosse team asks for donations to support them and they will be working the event. The funds raised help for buses to out of city travel during the season, summer leagues and other expenses for the players.

There will potentially be a food truck. At least 1 other car club has been invited.

EVENTS



ZCON 2024

September 9-14, 2024

Where: Tampa, Florida

Host: RhyneZ

Website: <https://zcon.org/conventions/2024/>

This is the quintessential Z Car Event of every year. Let us know if you are planning to attend so we can coordinate.

ZCON is not just an event; it's a week-long celebration of all things Z, and it's an experience that promises to leave you buzzing with excitement.

From thrilling track events and informative guest talks to jaw-dropping car displays, ZCON offers a unique opportunity to immerse yourself in the world of Z like never before. But it's more than just cars; it's a community of passionate enthusiasts coming together to share their love for these iconic vehicles. With Tampa, Florida as our backdrop, the fun extends beyond the event venue to beautiful beaches, diverse cuisine, and local culture.

If you're a Z enthusiast, this is your moment to connect, learn, and make memories with like-minded individuals. Get ready to be part of something truly exceptional at ZCON 2024 – a week of pure Z excitement that you won't want to miss!



Photos from ZCON website

HOOSIER PASS DRIVE EVENT

SEPTEMBER 21, 2024 (SATURDAY)

MEET-UP LOCATION: KING SOOPERS PARKING LOT, 3100 SO. SHERIDAN BLVD., DENVER, CO, 80227. (BEAR VALLEY SHOPPING CENTER--NEAR HOME DEPOT)

TIME: MEET AT 8:45AM AND DEPART AT 9:00AM

LUNCH: Casa Sanchez Mexican Restaurant, 706 Main Street, Fairplay.

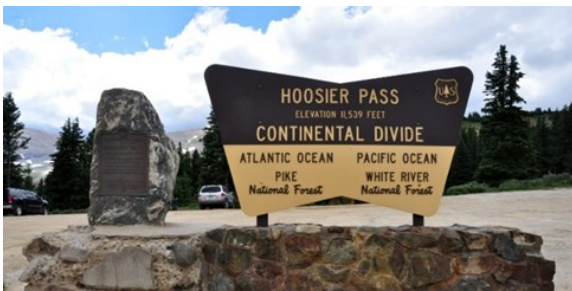
<https://casasanchez-mexicanrestaurant.com>menu> *Separate checks allowed only if waitstaff is notified before placing your order.

See above link for menu and pricing.

HOST: PATTY TROXELL

Summer is one of the most beautiful seasons to visit Hoosier Pass (pictures below). Our trip will begin in Denver, taking Hwy. 285 (Hampden) west to the town of Fairplay, elevation 9,953 ft. Travel time is 2 hrs. Lunch will be at Casa Sanchez Mexican Restaurant (see above link. After lunch we will take State Hwy. 9 through the town of Alma and begin our ascent to the summit of Hoosier Pass (named after the settlers from Indiana).

(Photos courtesy of Pinterest)



Montgomery Reservoir

After spending time at the summit, we will descend Hoosier Pass and continue to Breckenridge. The descent becomes hairpin curves, some at 8% grade, which level out as we get close to Breckenridge. Spending time in Breckenridge is optional. You can shop, take a gondola ride, or stay overnight. If visiting Breckenridge is not on your schedule, at Hoosier summit, take State Highway 9 back to Fairplay, and your route of choice home. If you want to return to Denver from Breckenridge, take State Highway 9 to Frisco and I70 east to Denver.



NMCO RUN

FRIDAY, September 27, through Sunday, September 30, 2024

Host: Jason Spegal

Hi everyone, the date has been set for this years NMCO RUN. It will be the weekend of the 27th, 28th & 29th of September. We will depart from Trinidad at 10am. We will be taking the same route as the last one from Trinidad to Alamosa, CO. From that point on the route will be different. We will be eating lunch in Alamosa and from there, head to Durango, CO where we will have dinner and spend the night there. We will start bright and early Saturday morning (7:00 am), head to Gunnison, CO where we will lunch. From there we will drive to Creede, CO and then on to Pagosa Springs where we will spend the night and have dinner. Sunday will be open for exploring Pagosa Springs and then everyone will have the option of heading east back to I-25 or south towards Albuquerque.

This is a rough layout of the run. More details will be sent out to the clubs by the second week of September. (exact miles from location to location, gas/bathroom breaks, names of places we will stop to eat, names of motels, etc.)

Although this is a Z run, it is not mandatory that you drive a Z. All makes and models are welcome to join us.

If you plan on attending, please let me know how many will be in your group/car so I can inform restaurants and motels how many will be attending. You can contact me via email (arts.zccm@gmail.com) or text or call me at 505-835-9170

I'm looking forward to seeing everyone on this years run.

Art Singer
Vice President
AZCC

Please also cc Jason Spegal (jspegal@spegalnetworks.net), or text/call at 904-631-5643 so I can keep tabs on the ZCCC participation and coordinate any news as necessary. I'll be providing more information at the September in person club meeting. Please don't hesitate to reach out to Art and myself if you have any questions, and let us know if will be participating as early as possible so restaurants and hotels can be finalized.. For those that missed the first NMCO Run, this will be a real treat with fall leaves to boot and some incredible people to meet.

Jason Spegal
ZCCC

EMPIRE LAKEWOOD NISSAN HALLOWEEN SPOOKTACULAR TRUNK OR TREAT SHOW

Date: Saturday, October 12, 2024

Location: Empire Lakewood Nissan, [14707 W. Colfax Ave, Lakewood, CO 80401](https://www.google.com/maps/place/14707+W+Colfax+Ave,+Lakewood,+CO+80401)

Time: 4:00 - 7:00pm

ZCCC Host: Jason Spegal

Save the date for Trunk O Treat hosted by Empire Lakewood Nissan ENE and Z Car Club of Colorado. Empire Lakewood Nissan will host the Halloween Spooktacular Trunk or Treat event this year on October 12th. Please note this new date on your calendar.

This is a car show event, so start thinking about how to dress up your car and yourselves. Bring plenty of candy for the kids. Please arrive at 3:15 if you are planning on showing your car.

Empire Lakewood Nissan

14707 W. Colfax Ave

Lakewood, Co 80401

4:00 pm car show begins

Voting ends at 6:00



VENDOR DISCOUNT LIST



Being a member of the Z Car Club of Colorado comes with many perks. In addition to new and exciting road trips, car shows, monthly meetings and comradery, you have access to the Vendor Discount List. Members enjoy a 10-20% discount from the vendors listed below. When contacting or visiting a vendor, please identify yourself as a member of the Z Car Club of Colorado and have your current membership card available. Always check the website first as the Vendor Discount List is always subject to change. zccc.org. You will need to log in as a member to view the list.

Vendor Discount List:

***Vendor participation and discount may change.**

Action Auto Glass-Littleton
Adam's Polishes-Thornton
Alloy Wheel Pro-Colorado Springs
Applied Plastic Coatings-Wheatridge
Banzai Motorworks-Maryland
Big O Tires/Midas (Leeds West Group) - various
Big O Tire-Parker
Brakes Plus-Thornton
Caliber Auto Glass-All Colorado Locations
Car Toys-Aurora
Chuck's Discount Muffler-Denver Concept Z Performance, Phoenix, AZ * New vendor
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In Japan, Nissan maintains an amazing collection of the brand's important vehicles at its Zama Heritage Center. Now, the automaker's American division is taking on the challenge of restoring one of the company's most important competition machines from this side of the Pacific. The championship-winning 1988 Nissan GTP ZX-Turbo is on display through August 17 at Laguna Seca for the Rolex Monterey Motorsports Reunion. After that, it's off to the Z Car Garage for a full restoration.

"Considering the success of the GTP ZX in the IMSA series here in the U.S. and the timing around the 55th anniversary of the Z, it made sense to kick off its restoration and support Z Heritage in the U.S.," says Nissan spokesperson Eric Ruble.

The Restoration

Z Car Garage is specifically restoring GTP ZX-Turbo chassis #8801, arguably the most historically significant example of these race cars. It scored eight straight wins in the 1988 IMSA GTP series, allowing Geoff Brabham to claim that season's drivers' championship.

The 1989 season was even better, as #8801 was the first Japanese car to achieve an overall victory at the 12 Hours of Sebring. By season's end, Brabham scored another drivers' championship, and this time, Nissan won the manufacturers' championship, too.

Z Car Garage founder Rob Fuller is enthusiastic to begin restoring this GTP ZX-Turbo. "It's actually kind of distracting," he says. "It's hard to work in my shop every day, and I cannot wait to hear it light off for the first time. I cannot wait to see it roll under its own power for the first time."

Development Yields Success

In the early 1980s, Nissan wanted to move into IMSA's top-tier GTP class but didn't want to create a fully factory-backed team. Instead, the company tapped the Electramotive squad, which had already had success racing Datsuns in lower IMSA classes. The GTP ZX-Turbo started competing in 1985, but it struggled initially. The early cars used a chassis supplied by Lola that wasn't competitive against the Porsches and Jaguars. The squad switched to a chassis designed in-house for the 1988 season, and the improved performance was immediately apparent. Number 8801 was the first one completed.

"It arrived at our shop in December of 1987, right before Christmas," former Electramotive engineer Chris Willes says. "We were able to do a twist test on it right before the Christmas break. We'd done one on the Lola, and we found that this new chassis Trevor [Harris] designed was 50 percent stiffer than the Lola chassis."

The ZX-Turbo's cutting-edge powertrain was also a significant ingredient in the car's recipe for success. The original plan was for the race car to use a modified version of the turbocharged V-6 from the contemporary road-going 300ZX Turbo, but the iron block couldn't withstand the 1000-horsepower tuned output for very long.

Nissan contracted Electramotive to design a new aluminum turbocharged V-6 for the GTP ZX-Turbo as well as its Group C car racing outside of the U.S. Willes' role was the drafting. "There are 11 sheets, 34 inches by 44 inches, that were every view of the aluminum block to make the pattern machining."

Electramotive founder Don Devendorf, a former engineer at Hughes Aircraft, also created his own electronic engine management system for the powerplant that controlled the spark, fuel injection, and boost from a single unit. The ECU used erasable programmable read-only memory (EPROM) chips that the team could swap out quickly to alter the system's tuning. At the time, other teams still used obsolete solutions such as a distributor, mechanical fuel injection, and a spring on a pop-off valve for governing turbo boost.



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