



# **Cadillac & LaSalle Club**

## **Potomac Region**

### **Caddie Chronicle**

### **November 2008**



#### **DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE BY VINCE TALIANO**

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RICHARD SILLS

Shortly after last year's *Legacy of LaSalle*, Daniel Jobe emailed me about a possible theme for this year's fall car show. He said, "What do you think about *Cadillac Dream Cars*? Is that something the members would like?" My reply was, "Yeah, I think so!" We discussed it from time to time throughout the year, but we didn't really start to seriously pursue it until after the CLC Grand National in August. We even had an alternative theme in case the *Cadillac Dream Cars* was just a dream. Daniel contacted General Motors in August and emailed me saying that he had good news and bad news. The good news was that four cars were available. The bad news was that there would be a substantial fee to cover the expenses to transport the cars from Detroit. The amount was actually more than the Potomac Region had in all of its bank accounts combined. We quickly figured out that the only way this event could take place is if the Region's membership and Capitol Cadillac could collectively pay for the added expense. So, I got on the phone and started calling club officers and other key members to determine if they would be willing to donate money to fund this special event. The response was overwhelmingly positive. When all was said and done, over 65 members donated a total of \$10,800. As a result of Daniel's generosity, as well as that of the members and friends of the Potomac Region, *Cadillac Dream Cars* was a dream come true!

I would like to take this time to recognize the club's officers, who worked long and hard to ensure that the event would be a success. First and foremost, Car Show Coordinators Diane & Henry Ruby, who spent more time at the dealership the days leading up to the event than at their home; Assistant Director Dan Ruby; Treasurer Harry Scott; Secretary Sandy Kemper; Activities Director Steven Sisson; National Directors Jack McClow and Bill Sessler; and last but not least Membership Chairman Richard Sisson, who enthusiastically promoted the event, which contributed to the participation of Scott Milestone, owner of the 1953 LeMans, and the attendance of Charles D. Barnette and David Temple. Special thanks to Daniel Jobe, Lisa Diehl and the guys at Capitol Cadillac; Richard Sills; Shelley Chadick; Alida Alsop; Steve Matthews; Bob Crimmins; Alan Clark; Joe Pipkin; Carl Glaser; Chris Cummings; Scot Minesinger; Derrick Fisher; Charles D. Barnette; David Temple; Jim Govoni; Mike Fahey; DJ Mikey; Randy Denchfield; Tom McQueen; Dan Reed; Joe & Maria Camelio; Scott Milestone; Josh Modlinger; Mark Brodsky, who helped Josh with the arrangements to get his Maharani car from New York; Bob Eng, noted artist who donated the image for our dash plaque; Richard Lentinello and Angelo Van Bogart, editors of *Hemmings eWeekly* newsletter and *Old Cars Weekly*, respectively, and Vern Parker, *The Washington Times* columnist, who helped promote the event; and to all who attended.

*Vince Taliano*



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## **2008 / 2009 CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

DATE	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION	CONTACT INFORMATION
Nov 1 Sat	Starts at 10:30 am	Vintage Collector Car Auction	Howard County Fairgrounds West Friendship MD	Bernie at 443-807-8883 or 410-243-9999
Nov 17 Mon	7:30 pm – 9:30 pm	Potomac Region Monthly Meeting	Washington Dulles Airport Marriott Dulles VA	Vince Taliano at 301-258-8321 or <a href="mailto:vincetaliano@clcpotomacregion.org">vincetaliano@clcpotomacregion.org</a>
Jan 11-18 Sat-Sun		Barrett-Jackson Auction	Scottsdale AZ	<a href="http://www.barrett-jackson.com">www.barrett-jackson.com</a>
Feb 19-22 Thu-Sun		35th Annual Winter AutoFest	Zephyrhills FL	<a href="http://zephyrhillsauction.com">http://zephyrhillsauction.com</a>
Feb 26- Mar 1 Thu-Sun		36th Annual Atlantic City Classic Car Auction	Atlantic City Convention Center Atlantic City NJ	G. Potter King, Inc. at 800-227-3868 or <a href="http://www.acclassiccars.com">www.acclassiccars.com</a>
Mar 13-15 Fri-Sun		Amelia Island Concours d'Elegance	Amelia Island FL	<a href="http://ameliaconcours.org">http://ameliaconcours.org</a>
May 3 Sun	9:00 am – 3:00 pm	18th Annual Capitol Cadillac Spring Car Show/ Automobilia Auction	Capitol Cadillac Greenbelt MD	Car Show: Diane & Henry Ruby at 301-894-8026, Automobilia Auction: George Boxley at 301-261-5634
May 17 Sun		Marin Sonoma Concours d'Elegance	San Rafael CA	<a href="http://www.MarinSonomaConcours.org">www.MarinSonomaConcours.org</a>
Jun 17-20 Wed-Sat		CLC Grand National Meet Hosted by the Las Vegas Region	Las Vegas NV	<a href="http://www.lasvegascclc.org/09grand.htm">www.lasvegascclc.org/09grand.htm</a>
Aug 11 – Aug 16 Tue-Sun		CLC National Driving Tour "Capitol Cruising" Hosted by the Potomac Region	Dulles Airport Marriott Dulles VA	Sandy Kemper, Co-Chairman, 301-585-0897 <a href="mailto:sandykemper@clcpotomacregion.org">sandykemper@clcpotomacregion.org</a> or Steven Sisson, Co-Chairman, 703-724-7652 <a href="mailto:stevensisson@clcpotomacregion.org">stevensisson@clcpotomacregion.org</a>

## **Marin Sonoma Concours d' Elegance**

San Rafael, CA

[www.MarinSonomaConcours.org](http://www.MarinSonomaConcours.org)

On May 17, 2009, the Marin Sonoma Concours d'Elegance will be presenting a unique opportunity to see a collection of cars manufactured in 1929.

In researching car manufacturing in 1929, we realized that a few well-known companies eclipse the many smaller, perhaps less-successful, companies of the time. Thus, many cars manufactured in 1929 remain virtually unknown. Beverly Rae Kimes and Henry Austin Clark Jr.'s Standard Catalog of American Cars, 1805-1942, identifies over 75 companies that manufactured cars in the United States in 1929. Expanding our purview to international car manufacturers, our number might exceed 200 different car-manufacturing companies in 1929. How many of these car companies still have a surviving prodigy?



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## **Potomac Region Proudly Announces 2009 CLC Driving Tour**

### ***"Capitol Cruising"***

**Aug 11 – Aug 16, 2009**

**Headquarters Hotel**

**Dulles Airport Marriott, Dulles, VA**



**Some of the exciting places to visit being planned:**

- The National Mall – U.S. Monuments
- U.S. Capitol – White House
- National Museum of the Marine Corps
- Udvar-Hazy Air & Space Museum
- Mount Vernon Historical Site
- Antietam National Battlefield Park
- Harper's Ferry National Historical Site
- Manassas National Battlefield Park
- Alexandria Old Town – Woodlawn Plantation



The Potomac Region has been working hard to make sure that this will be a National Driving Tour that you won't forget. This will be a hub and spoke tour visiting some of the world famous sites located in the greater Washington, DC area.

**A large turnout is expected. Make your hotel reservations now at the special club rate of \$99! Call the Marriott Reservations line at 1-800-228-9290. Provide the representative with the hotel name: "Washington Dulles Airport Marriott," the Group name: "Cadillac Club" and Group code: "CDLCDLA."**

Or make your reservations on-line by using the link below. You will be directed to the Washington Dulles Airport Marriott home page with the Group Code already entered in the appropriate field. All you need to do is enter your arrival date to begin the reservation process.

<http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/IADAP?groupCode=CDLCDLA&app=resvlink&fromDate=8/11/09&toDate=8/16/09>

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## ***OCTOBER 20, 2008 MEETING MINUTES BY SANDY KEMPER***

**PLACE:** Silver Diner, Merrifield, Virginia

**TIME:** 7:30 PM

**PRESIDING:** Director Vince Taliano

**ATTENDANCE:** Byron Alsop; Pat & Glen Cole; Chris Cummings; Randy Denchfield; Derrick Fisher; Alex Figueroa & Margaret Rasor; Brenda & Jim George; Jeff Gurski; Sandy Kemper, Jack McClow & guest, Steve Matthews; Tom McQueen; R. Scot Minesinger; Dan Ruby; Diane & Henry Ruby; Harry Scott; Richard Sills & Shelley Chadick; Richard Sisson and Steven Sisson

**DIRECTOR'S REMARKS:** Vince thanked everyone for attending. He informed everyone that local car enthusiast and author, Bob Ruckman passed away recently. PR member Greg del Real passed away also. Of lighter interest, Scot Minesinger played a Washington Capitals video clip that shows his car prominently. Congratulations to Scot.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT:** The Minutes from the September meeting were not read since they had been published and distributed to all members in the October, 2008 newsletter.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** The Treasurer's Report covered the time period from the September meeting to date. Harry Scott reported that the Region's income was \$6,016.48. The total expenses for the same time period were \$1,891.98. The checking account balance as of the meeting date is \$10,493.87 and the CD principal balance is \$5,667.16. Also, the total amount of Car Show pledges received is \$9,775.00.

### **MEMBERSHIP REPORT:**

- Vince explained that we received notice from the CLC (Nat'l) that our official 2008 Potomac Region membership roster was due at the CLC Office today (10/20). CLC has changed the process of counting regional members. If region members are not active CLC members at the time the report is compiled, the regions are required to pull those members from their roster. Problem for us is that CLC members renew with us on a calendar basis (e.g. Jan-Dec 2008) but renew with CLC on an anniversary basis according to when they first joined the CLC (e.g. Aug '07-Aug '08). So there is always the possibility of a gap in membership numbers between our Region and CLC.
- Also CLC sent us the latest inactive (i.e. unpaid, unrenewed) list of CLC members in our Region. There are five (5) members to contact. Richard with the help of the Membership Chair-elect [Scot] will work on this.

### **ACTIVITIES REPORT:**

#### **1. Recently held events:**

- **AACA Bull Run Region Show, Manassas, VA, Sep 20:** At least eight PR members attended this show.
- **GM Heritage Tour Weekend, Detroit, MI, Sep 19-20:** Jack McClow's story in the October newsletter described this event.
- **VFR Fall Meet, Lahaska, PA, Sep 28:** No one in attendance took part in this show.





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- **AACA Eastern Region Fall Meet, Hershey, PA, Oct 8-11:** Many PR members attended. Jack McClow and Sandy Kemper worked in the CLC tent. Several members won awards (Class 26B First Junior - 1949 Cadillac - Randy D. Denchfield, Class 27C Repeat Preservation - 1959 Cadillac - Paul Habicht, Class 27D Second Junior - 1960 Cadillac - Richard P. Sills and Repeat Preservation - 1961 Cadillac DeVille - Gerald L. Gordon)
- **Rockville Antique & Classic Car Show, Oct 18:** One of the largest Rockville shows ever with over 525 cars registered. There were 32 Cadillacs and LaSalles. Many PR members participated or attended. For the first time the Region had a vendor space and sold a variety of Club items.

## **2. Upcoming PR events:**

**Fall Car Show, Sunday, October 26, 2008:** Much of the meeting was focused on the car show. We are expecting quite a number of out-of-town guests. GM notified us that the Cyclone will not be coming. A 1903 Cadillac will probably be the replacement. Shelley Chadick needs to be contacted by anyone expecting to attend the pre-show dinner between 5-7 PM on Saturday night. The reception will be held at Capitol Cadillac beginning at 7PM. Vince listed the food and beverages that will be served. Joe Camelio arranged for the wine. Randy Denchfield offered to run a 50/50 raffle. Vince directed him to work with Dan Ruby, who is in charge of the 50/50 raffles. There was a spirited and lengthy discussion about the costs of getting the featured cars to the show. In particular, concerns were expressed that we should not set a precedent in the Region by paying for display cars. However, it was agreed that this is one-time only event.

## **3. Upcoming Other CLC Region Events:**

**Central VA Region Car Show, Moore Cadillac, Richmond, VA, Nov 1**

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

1. **2009 National Driving Tour:** Sandy reported that we held a Steering Committee meeting on Sept 15th and made some key decisions: we will hold guided driving tours on three days and reserve one day for bus tours. We will, however, provide optional, "on-your-own" driving instructions for those attendees who don't want to participate in the bus tours. There will be another Steering Committee meeting in November. People have begun to book room reservations. We hope to have an NDT website page uploaded within the next few weeks. Also, on Sat, Nov 1, Sandy will be doing a test drive to Luray, VA, which is a planned stop on the tour.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. **Potomac Region Election of Officers for the Term 2009-2010:** Sandy reported that a nomination form was distributed last month and responses were received from over 10% of the membership. There is only one nominee per officer position, except Activities Director, for which there is none. Sandy asked for nominations from the floor. Hearing none there was a motion passed to close the nominations. Since the election ballot contains only one nominee for each officer position, Sandy made a motion to elect all of the nominees by voice vote at the November Region meeting after notice to membership. The motion passed. Vince recognized Richard and Steven Sisson, both of whom are stepping down as club officers after many years of service to the Region.

**NEXT MEETING: Monday, November 17, 2008, 7:30 PM at the Marriott Dulles Airport Hotel, Dulles, Virginia**

**ADJOURNMENT:** Meeting adjourned at 9:10 PM



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***2008 CITY OF ROCKVILLE ANTIQUE & CLASSIC AUTO SHOW  
STORY BY STEVEN SISSON  
PHOTOS BY SANDY KEMPER***



**Full house at the Rockville show**

Great everything: cars, weather and dry grass. Everything as near perfect for the Rockville Auto Show as it can get. The perfect circumstances on Saturday, October 18, 2008 brought out a larger than usual population of show cars. We understand that there were 525 cars on the field, making this the biggest show since the 2000 Millennium show. Displayed were cars and trucks for everyone, even including a fire truck, ambulance and hearse. Crank up cars, high wheelers, it was all there for the couple thousand or so visitors to enjoy.





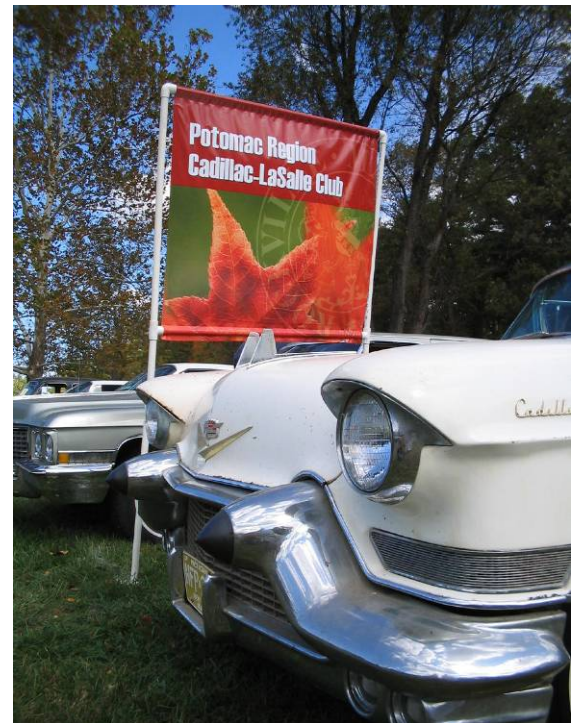
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Helping all that, the City of Rockville's auto show committee celebrated General Motors centennial year by featuring "100 Years of General Motors Heritage – A Century of Automobiles." They arranged a special array of 100 cars of the numerous GM makes and models. The cars were positioned by date of manufacture starting with a 1906 Cadillac Model K Runabout and ending with a 2007 Cadillac XLR. There was a good representation of the current GM brands: Cadillac, Buick, Chevrolet, Pontiac, and those that are no longer manufactured: Oakland, Oldsmobile, and LaSalle. A good number of the cars on-hand were appearing for the first time at the Rockville show.

Cadillac and LaSalle were especially well represented with the highest number ever on hand. Thirty two cars were counted. (Did we miss any?) In groupings by years, the Cadillacs (and their owners, if known) were:

- **1900 to 1919:** 1906 Model K Runabout - Anders Lofstrand
- **1920 to 1939:** 1931 V-8 Convertible - Charles Gillet, 1931 V-16 Phaeton - Charles Gillet, 1936 V-12 Convertible Sedan - Byron Alsop, 1939 LaSalle Sedan - Vern Parker
- **1940 to 1949:** 1940 LaSalle 52 Sedan - Frank Lindberg, 1948 Convertible Coupe - Randy Denchfield, 1949 Series 62 Club Coupe - Randy Denchfield
- **1950 to 1959:** 1953 Series 62 Coupe - Jim Preston, 1954 Eldorado Convertible - Richard Sisson, 1957 Series 62 Convertible - Jack McClow, 1959 Eldorado Biarritz - Marc Tuwiner, 1959 Coupe DeVille - Mark Brodsky, 1959 Coupe DeVille - Sandy Kemper
- **1960 to 1969:** 1960 DeVille Convertible - Gary Elder, 1960 Coupe DeVille - Derrick Fisher, 1960 Fleetwood - Ed Mickolus, 1961 6 Window Short Deck Sedan - Jerry Gordon, 1962 Coupe DeVille - Ray Collins, 1964 Sedan DeVille - Mike Fahey, 1964 Eldorado Convertible - Steven Sisson, 1967 Eldorado - Dan Jobe, 1968 DeVille Convertible - Christina del Real
- **1970 to 1979:** 1972 Limousine, 1976 Eldorado Convertible - Matt Smith, 1976 Seville - Lou Harrington, 1976 Eldorado Bicentennial Convertible - Dan Jobe, 1977 Ambulance, 1979 Coupe DeVille - Rick Hunt
- **1980 to present:** 1980 Coupe DeVille - Bob Astone, 1980 Hearse, 2007 XLR Roadster – Gary Elder



**Jack McClow's '57 on  
Cadillac / LaSalle row**

Thanks to Derrick Fisher and Mike Fahey for working the Potomac Region hospitality table. For the first time, the hospitality table was located at a vendor spot the club purchased, which resulted in approximately \$150 of club merchandise sales. Next year's show will have to go some to top this 2008 show. See you there!



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**REFLECTIONS ON CLC POTOMAC REGION CADILLAC DREAM CARS SHOW  
OCTOBER 26, 2008  
STORY BY CHARLES D. BARNETTE  
PHOTOS BY CHARLES D. BARNETTE, BOB CRIMMINS AND DAN REED**



**1953 LeMans #3 (left) and 1953 LeMans #4 (right) together for the first time ever!**

***[The LeMans is a two-seater concept car that Cadillac built in 1953, to exhibit at the Motorama and similar displays. A total of four were built. One was destroyed by fire in 1985; one disappeared after 1953; and two are known to survive. Both of these were displayed at our show. Based on their build order, the two survivors are #3 and #4. #3 is the white LeMans, pictured above left, owned by Scott Milestone, and it remains essentially unchanged from its original form. #4 is the silver LeMans, pictured above right, owned by the General Motors Heritage Center, and it was substantially restyled by GM in the late fifties.]***

Having had the role of researching the 1953 Cadillac LeMans' stories for David Temple's book ***GM's Motorama***, there was no doubt in mind that I would be in Greenbelt, Maryland, at Capitol Cadillac, for the ***Cadillac Dream Cars*** show of the CLC Potomac Region. During the research done by David Temple and me, we uncovered two important documents to unravel the four complex stories of LeMans. The first was the Bill of Sale dated December 1, 1984, between John Crowell of Pleasanton, California, (new buyer) and D. A. Thomas of Dayton, Ohio, (with agent Fred L. Miller acting on behalf of Thomas). The serial number in that document proved we were concerned here with LeMans #1 (serial number 02) which was the first LeMans. This car was the Motorama car and the one sold to Harry Karl who had it customized for his wife actress Marie McDonald by George Barris. In 1985 the car was totally destroyed by fire.





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The second document uncovered was a title issued by Washington, D.C., to Floyd Akers (owner of Capitol Cadillac) dated 8-12-1955. The serial number of this document proved that the document was dealing with LeMans #3, (serial number 04). We already knew that LeMans #4 had been built for Bud Goodman of Fisher Body and is now owned by the GM Heritage Center of Detroit. That left LeMans #2 (serial number 03) unaccounted for and last seen in late 1953 in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, on display at the Greenlease-Moore Cadillac dealership.

While dealing with the history of the first LeMans, Mr. Fred Miller named above gave me items from the car that were accidentally left behind when the car left Ohio for its "fatal home" of California. These items included four silver chrome knobs (tops) for the four levers on the dash of LeMans operating the two vents, temperature and defrost. When I came by plane to Greenbelt, Maryland, on Saturday, October 25, 2008, I brought these items with me.

Aside from seeing the superb LeMans sisters (numbers 3 and 4), the beautiful 1956 Motorama Cadillac Maharani (the kitchen sink Cadillac) show car, the historic 1903 Cadillac, the "Centennial" Cien show car, and the fabulous Cadillac Sixteen, three major highlights occurred for me at the show that I simply must share in



**From foreground to background:  
2003 Sixteen, 2002 Cien, 1903 Cadillac, LeMans #4, and LeMans #3**

writing. I must say I, of the North Texas Region, was treated like a King by the Potomac Region, given display space, and allowed to be on the program.





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The first highlight occurred on Saturday night when owner Scott Milestone allowed me to sit in LeMans #3. LeMans #3 was missing all four of its chrome lever tops on the dash, and I had already made up my mind that these items from LeMans #1 were going to be donated by me to LeMans #3. I am convinced these lever tops are still soaked in DNA from Harley Earl and from the actress Marie McDonald. While seated in LeMans #3 with Scott by my side, I carefully took out of my little silver box one lever top from LeMans #1 and carefully placed it onto the fourth lever of LeMans #3. I began to screw the top on and as Cadillac and the "Motorama Gods" would have it, it was a perfect match (rod and top) with the top screwing down securely on the lever. At that moment LeMans #1 started living again through LeMans #3.



**Charles D. Barnette and Scott Milestone installing lever tops from LeMans #1 in LeMans #3**



**A perfect fit!**

***[Editor's note: Coincidentally Marie McDonald died the day Vince Taliano was born - Happy Halloween!]***



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Also at that moment, my mind was flooded by the 1908 Dewar Trophy documented feat of Cadillac that took three Cadillacs apart, scrambled the parts, and then was able to have three running Cadillacs assembled from same. "Interchangeability" of parts is what we are talking about, but it was also true on hand-built 1953 show cars. Finally at that moment I let out an unprofessional yell that probably could have curled someone's toenails. A Cadillac historical moment I will never forget!

On Sunday, October 26, 2008, the second highlight was seeing Daniel Jobe's mother behind the wheel of LeMans #3 that was once her car and seeing not only her reaction but that of LeMans #3. They both seemed to be happy to be reunited after many years. LeMans #4 was enviously observing the event (parked right next door in public to LeMans #3 probably for the first time ever). Daniel Jobe later told me that his sister phoned and told him that their mother was so excited that his sister could not get their mother off the phone for hours while relating the experience!



**Daniel Jobe's mother sitting in LeMans #3, the car she drove when owned by her father, Floyd Akers**

Also on that Sunday, the third highlight occurred at the conclusion of my remarks when I was given the privilege of presenting to Scott Milestone (owner of LeMans #3) a framed copy of the Washington, D.C., title referred to above. The car now has its proper credentials and correct place in automobile Cadillac history. The LeMans was Cadillac's first true "Dream Car," and LeMans #3 is the only known existing original example of the pure stock form of this car. The research of David Temple and I is now finally complete having come full circle!

Eighty cars and spectators from 20% of the states of our country appeared at the show on the grounds of Capitol Cadillac. It was an unprecedented Cadillac historical weekend that I was proud and honored to be apart of at this time. I want to give special thanks to Vince Taliano, Richard Sisson, Richard Sills and Daniel Jobe. The Potomac Region and Capitol Cadillac of Greenbelt, Maryland, are simply the best! I want to additionally list for special thanks Scott Milestone, owner of LeMans #3; Joshua Modlinger, owner of the 1956 Maharani; David Temple of Texas, author of ***GM's Motorama***; Jim Jordan of Oklahoma City and a Motorama enthusiast; Jack Frank of California (who is recreating LeMans #2 in steel); and to the mysterious Carla Tynes, my legal assistant who under careful guidance has become a Cadillac expert. ***Cadillac is still "The Standard of the World"!***

***Charles D. Barnette, noted Cadillac LeMans historian, is from Texarkana, Arkansas.***

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#### CADILLAC DREAM CARS SHOW WINNERS BY VINCE TALIANO

CLASS	1st PLACE WINNER	2nd PLACE WINNER	3rd PLACE WINNER
<b>Class A: 1902 – 1942 Cadillac</b>	Byron & Alida Alsop Oakton VA 1936 V-12 Series 85 Convertible Sedan	William Jackson Washington DC 1936 Series 60 4-Door Sedan	George & Rita Boxley West River MD 1941 Series 60 Special  Tom Smith Camp Springs MD 1941 Series 62 Sedan
<b>Class B: 1927 – 1940 LaSalle</b>	J. Roger Bentley Brinklow MD 1940 4-Door Sedan	Aksel Olesen Potomac MD 1937 5019	Vern Parker Vienna VA 1939 4-Door Sedan
<b>Class C: 1946 – 1958 Cadillac</b>	Richard Sisson Potomac MD 1954 Eldorado	Orin Kerr Arlington VA 1949 Series 62 Convertible	John Shumate Arlington VA 1958 Series 60 Special
<b>Class D: 1959 – 1964 Cadillac</b>	Chuck Frank Silver Spring MD 1964 Deville Convertible	Brian & Mae Staffone Mt. Airy MD 1962 Sedan Deville	Marc Tuwiner Poolesville MD 1959 Eldorado Biarritz
<b>Class E: 1965 – 1970 Cadillac</b>	R. Scot Minesinger Fairfax Station VA 1970 Deville Convertible	Linda Wyatt Clinton MD 1970 Deville Convertible	Christina del Real Upper Marlboro MD 1968 Deville Convertible
<b>Class F: 1971 – 1976 Cadillac</b>	Harry Goins Alexander VA 1976 Eldorado Convertible	Maurice Jones Washington DC 1976 Fleetwood D'Elegance	
<b>Class G: 1977 – 1986 Cadillac</b>	Chuck O'Bryan Falls Church VA 1985 Eldorado Biarritz	Harry Yarnell Perryman MD 1978 Eldorado Biarritz	Paul Fertich Harrisburg PA 1984 Fleetwood Coupe
<b>Class H: 1987 – 1996 Cadillac</b>	Jim Hartnett Kensington MD 1992 Fleetwood Brougham	Fred Kott Ellicott City MD 1992 Fleetwood Brougham	Howard Kelly York PA 1993 Allante
<b>Class I: 1997 – Current Cadillac</b>	Ron Neff Alexandria VA 2000 Eldorado	Louis Pascucci Nokesville VA 2004 CTS-V	Dave Lickel Enola PA 1999 Deville 50th Anniversary Edition
<b>Class J: Commercial Vehicles</b>	Tom Smith Camp Springs MD 1941 Series 75 Limo	Brian Ochs Glen Arm MD 1977 Ambulance	Jim Collier Baltimore MD 1980 Superior Hearse
<b>Class K: Modified Vehicles</b>	John Mattingly La Plata MD 1964 Series 62 Coupe	Monroe Dorsey Bowie MD 1973 Eldorado Biarritz	Jack & Pat Noll Spring Grove PA 1968 Coupe Deville



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CLASS	WINNER
<b>LADIES CHOICE WINNER</b>	Byron & Alida Alsop Oakton VA 1936 V-12 Series 85 Convertible Sedan
<b>BEST PRE-WAR (1942 and Earlier)</b>	Tom Smith Camp Springs MD 1941 Series 75 Limo
<b>BEST POST-WAR (1946 to Present)</b>	Richard Sisson Potomac MD 1954 Eldorado
<b>BEST OF SHOW – OVERALL</b>	Byron & Alida Alsop Oakton VA 1936 V-12 Series 85 Convertible Sedan
<b>DEALER'S CHOICE AWARD</b>	Frank Pinola Harrisburg PA 1954 Eldorado
<b>LONG DISTANCE AWARD</b>	James & Pam Gregg Norfolk VA 1996 Deville Concours



See you at next year's show!  
L-R: Henry Ruby, Diane Ruby, Vince Taliano  
and Joe Pipkin  
Photo by Sandy Kemper





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1941  
Sedan



1956  
Convertible



1949 Club Coupe



1903 Cadillac



2002 Cien



1956 Maharani  
(Kitchen Sink Cadillac)



Saturday Night Reception



1953 Eldorado



2003 Sixteen





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**COMMENTARY  
BY BOB RUCKMAN**



***[Editor's note: Our longtime friend and honorary Potomac Region member Bob "Iron Man" Ruckman passed away recently. He had been a well-known figure in the Mid-Atlantic auto club scene since the early 1950's. His automotive and worldview column "COMMENTARY," appeared in over 50 car club publications across the country, including our Caddie Chronicle. Acknowledging his terminal illness, Bob bravely composed the farewell greeting below to all of his readers and friends. Our sincerest condolences go out to Gail Gavlock and the Ruckman family.]***

To all my family and friends:

Obviously I have left you prematurely, but I have hung on as long as I could, and accomplished as much as I could, given my medical condition. I leave Gail with a load of responsibilities as my Executrix, and I trust that she will let all of you know, as promptly as possible, of my death.

I wish all of you well. I have loved you all. Every night I have prayed for those of you who are older and/or sicker than I. May God smile upon you and grant you long, happy lives.

I have had, and enjoyed, my "three score and ten, i.e. 70 years and more. I am content, as I hope you will be with your lives and your accomplishments.

Go in peace.

Love,

Bob



**This historic photo, taken at the annual Rockville [MD] auto show on October 16, 2004, shows Bob "Iron Man" Ruckman (l.) and Andy Lofstrand (r.) with Andy's 1906 Cadillac. In 2004, Rockville celebrated its 50th Anniversary show. Bob, 73 at the time, had exhibited a 1932 Plymouth at the very first Rockville meet in 1954. Bob may have been the last survivor of the 1954 show's car entrants, as he was the only one at the 2004 50th Anniversary show.**

**Photograph by Franklin Gage**

***Editor's note: Bob's collection of dash plaques eventually grew to more than 1,500!***



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