



Cadillac & LaSalle Club Potomac Region Caddie Chronicle October 2010



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Congratulations to Paul Fertich of Harrisburg, PA, who is our 200th member this year. Paul was recruited to participate in our ***Fabulous Fleetwoods*** show with his 1984 Fleetwood Coupe by Henry & Diane Ruby. As an added bonus, he joined the Region. Paul and the Rubys will all receive an additional year of membership for free. Just after Paul's membership was received, Randy Edison of Washington, DC, became our 201st member. He was introduced to the club by Marc Tuwiner and owns a 1959 Coupe Deville and a 1964 Eldorado. Our 202nd members are Dave & Dora Forry from Manheim, PA. They will be participating in the ***Fabulous Fleetwoods*** event with their 1959 Fleetwood. Our 203rd member is Marc Devito from Barton, VT, the birthplace of Henry Leland. He was encouraged to join by Scot Minesinger. Welcome to Paul, Randy, the Forrys and Marc!

Through the end of September, ten Potomac Region members have contributed a total of \$1,545. **That equals a total contribution of \$4,635, compared to our goal of \$7,500.** There's still time to contribute. If you are interested in contributing, please make your check out to the CLCMRC (not to the CLC Potomac Region) and mail to Vince Taliano--14 Triple Crown Court--North Potomac MD 20878. Donations made to the CLCMRC are tax deductible to the extent permitted by law.



Congratulations to Potomac Region Members David & Lara O'Steen on the birth of their daughter Camryn (pictured left with the proud papa). She was born on August 13th and joins her brother Nathan as two of our Region's youngest members. We are happy to report that Lara and Camryn are doing great.

Congratulations to Byron & Alida Alsop whose 1929 Cadillac was pictured in the article on the CLC Grand National in the September 30th issue of ***Old Cars Weekly***.

Vince Taliano



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LETTER TO THE EDITOR



September 6, 2010

Most people when depressed will do something ordinary to feel better, usually something physical when it should be spiritual -- they might take a long nap or better yet go for a run, work in the garden or ride a surf board. But for me, I go out and buy a car.

I was fortunate in this acquisition since the car is a very low mileage 1978 Seville (37K) and came from an estate sale in Virginia. I networked within the Cadillac & LaSalle Club, (via Vince Taliano and Bill Anderson of the Potomac Region), to find a great guy from Virginia, and another Potomac Region member, Dennis Ragan. He not only agreed to check out the car for me, but he brought along some experts in both mechanics and body and paint. Dennis wouldn't take any money but I sent him a check anyway to cover "lunch costs" for him and his friends. Fortunately, the lady handling the sale was very hospitable to this "mob" approaching her door. Their advice was to buy it, or one of them would. So I did. It will now become my daily driver.



I think that the Cadillac & LaSalle Club should formally institute this "car check" service for fees paid by the prospective buyer, a portion of which could go to support the CLC Museum & Research Center in Michigan. My idea of a fair fee would be \$150 per instance with the fee divided into thirds -- \$50 to the Museum, \$50 to the Region, (for finding the checker), and \$50 to the checker, (adjustable if mileage is burdensome). The only drawback would be if a less qualified "checker" said OK to a lemon. Because of that possibility, all buyers should have to sign a "hold harmless" agreement regarding the club, the region and the fellow doing the checking. It should be called a "Volunteer Service".

This turned out to be a great benefit for me. Whatever the fee set by the club should they adopt such a program, it would surely be less than the cost of delays, airfare and hotel prices of the buyer making a personal trip.

I'm no longer depressed. What medicine!

Tom Musson
Yorba Linda, California



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IN MEMORIAM: FRANK L. PINOLA, JR.

STORY BY RICHARD SILLS

PHOTOS BY PAT CARUSO, DAN REED AND THE PINOLA FAMILY



Frank L. Pinola, Jr. 73, of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania died Friday, September 3, 2010 surrounded by his family at his home. Frank was a close friend for over 20 years. We shared the love of antique cars, and Cadillacs in particular. He was a noted authority on these cars, and he freely shared his knowledge with others in the hobby.

Frank loved the AACA and the Cadillac & LaSalle Club. He was a long-time member of the Hershey Region of AACA, and served for 20 years as Director of the Central Pennsylvania Region of the Cadillac & LaSalle Club. He was the recipient of the CLC's 2002 Mary Lou Evans Membership Award and 2009 Norm Uhlir Regional Activity Award. Year after year, he graciously offered his spaces at the Annual Fall AACA Hershey event to the CLC to place its hospitality tent. He was active in the founding of the AACA Museum, and served on its Special Events Council until his death. He sponsored a trophy named the Frank L. Pinola Award for the best Cadillac at the annual AACA Museum car show.

Despite his health challenges in recent years, he devoted many hours to the advancement of the antique car hobby. In 2006, he participated in the Potomac Region's ***Eldorado Extravaganza***, winning First Place in Class with his beautiful Persian Sand 1959 Eldorado Biarritz (pictured top right). In 2008, his 1954 Eldorado won Dealer's Choice at the Potomac Region's ***Cadillac Dream Cars*** event (pictured bottom right).

He had many wonderful stories about his activities with cars, from his early days of sports car racing to the many vintage Cadillacs that he owned and restored. He was an inspiration to all who knew him, and a true gentleman.

He will be greatly missed, and we send our condolences to Beverly and the rest of the family.





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2010 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DATE	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION	CONTACT INFORMATION
Sep 29 - Oct 3 Wed-Sun	Gates open daily at 7:00 am	Fall Carlisle & Auction	Carlisle PA	717-243-7855 or www.carsatcarlisle.com
Oct 3 Sun	8:00 am – 1:00 pm	53rd Annual Antique Auto Assembly	Armed Forces Retirement Home Washington DC	Dave Browne at 301-593-0789
Oct 6-9 Wed-Sat	Gates open daily at 7:00 am	AACA National Eastern Fall Meet	Giant Center and Show Grounds Hershey PA	www.hersheyaaca.org
Oct 9 Sat	9:00 am – 3:00 pm	3rd Annual City of Fairfax Classic Car Show	Old Town Fairfax VA	Joann Ormesher at 703-273-6097 or Joanna.ormesher@fairfaxva.gov
Oct 16 Sat	8:30 am – 3:30 pm	City of Rockville Antique and Classic Car Show	Rockville Civic Center Rockville MD	240-314-5022 or www.rockvillemd.gov/events/carshow.htm
Oct 18 Mon	7:30 pm – 9:30 pm	Potomac Region Monthly Meeting	Silver Diner Merrifield VA	Vince Taliano at 301-258-8321 or vincetaliano@clcpotomacregion.org
Oct 22 Fri	Auction begins at 10:00 am	Fall Collector Car Auction	Richmond VA	Jeff Schuler at jschuler@richmondtaa.com or 804-232-7355
Oct 23 Sat	10:00 am – 3:00 pm	4th Annual Potomac Day Classic Car Show	Falls Rd & River Rd Potomac MD	202-438-3553 or potomacdaycarshow@yahoo.com
Oct 23 Sat	2:00 pm – 5:00 pm	CLC Valley Forge Region's Driving Tour to Baltimore	Baltimore Street Car Museum	Chuck Piel at charles.piel@pb.com or 240-888-5115
Oct 24 Sun	9:00 am – 3:00 pm	Capitol Cadillac Fall Car Show <i>Fabulous Fleetwoods</i>	Capitol Cadillac Greenbelt MD	Diane & Henry Ruby at 301-894-8026
Oct 30 Sun	Auction begins at 10:30 am	Baltimore - Washington Annual Collector Car Auction	Howard County Fairgrounds West Friendship MD	Bernie at 443-807-8883 or www.auctionclassiccars.com
Dec 3-5 Sat-Sun		2010 East Coast Indoor Nationals	Maryland State Fairgrounds Cow Palace Timonium MD	www.eastcoastindoornats.com
Dec 12 Sun	1:00 pm – 6:00 pm	Annual Potomac Region Holiday Party hosted by George & Rita Boxley	The Boxley Home / Stallion Farm West River MD	George Boxley at 301-261-5634 or georgeboxley@verizon.net or Rita Boxley at 410-867-2147 or ritabialboxley@verizon.net

Inter-Regional Car Show at the Baltimore Streetcar Museum Saturday, October 23rd

Members of the CLC **Valley Forge Region** will be driving to the Baltimore Street Car Museum to join the **Potomac Region** for a car show and fun afternoon. Potomac Region members can 1) gather at Snyder's Restaurant in Linthicum, MD (where we have held our Baltimore Area club meetings) for lunch at 12:00 PM and a Cadillac caravan to the Museum, 2) meet at Snyder's at 1:30 PM to participate in the caravan or 3) go directly to the Museum planning to arrive at 2:00 pm, which is also the time the Valley Forge Region members plan to arrive. There will be an admission price of \$5 per vehicle, regardless of the number of occupants, that includes unlimited rides on the street cars! We encourage all Potomac Region members to drive their classics to meet the members of our neighboring region. Afterwards, quite a few of the Valley Forge Region members will be driving down to the Holiday Inn Greenbelt to have dinner with us, and then join us the next day for our show. If you plan to attend the Museum event, please notify Chuck Piel at charles.piel@pb.com or 240-888-5115.





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Annual Fall Car Show

Fabulous Fleetwoods

Sunday October 24, 2010

Car Registration: 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

Show Hours: 9:00 am – 3:00 pm

6500 Capitol Drive

Greenbelt, MD 20770

Phone: 301-441-9600

www.ecapitol.com



All Cadillacs and LaSallees are welcome to participate in the show with the featured cars being the Cadillac Fleetwoods, Broughams and Sixty Specials from 1938 through 1999. Specifically, this year's honored category

- includes both rear-wheel-drive and front-wheel-drive Fleetwoods and Sixty Specials,
- includes the low-production Fleetwood and Fleetwood Brougham coupes as well as the sedans,
- includes the Fleetwood Talisman of 1974-1976, the Fleetwood Series 72 of 1940, and the Fleetwood Limited of 1997-1999,
- includes the rear-wheel-drive Broughams from the late '80s through 1992, when the name Fleetwood was reserved for the front-wheel drive cars, and
- includes all Fleetwood Series 75 sedans and limousines of this era.

We are excluding Fleetwood Eldorados from this year's honored category because we recognized them previously in our **Eldorado Extravaganza**.

Every Fleetwood owner is encouraged to attend this very special show. To celebrate the event, each registered owner will receive a commemorative dash plaque illustration of a Fleetwood (pictured above), as well as a commemorative show program highlighting the history of Fleetwoods and featuring a description of each Fleetwood pre-registered for the show. The Fleetwood owners will also receive a framed certificate of appreciation for participating. It is time for the Fleetwood owners to take their place alongside the prestigious V-12 / V-16, Eldorado, LaSalle and Capitol Cadillac Alumni Car owners who have been featured at the Potomac Region's past theme-related car shows.

The judging will be done by the owners of the vehicles registered. The registered owners will be able to judge cars in all classes (people's choice); including their own, and 1st, 2nd and 3rd place awards will be given to winning vehicles in each class, **including two special classes for the Fabulous Fleetwoods: 1938 – 1959 and 1960 – 1999.**

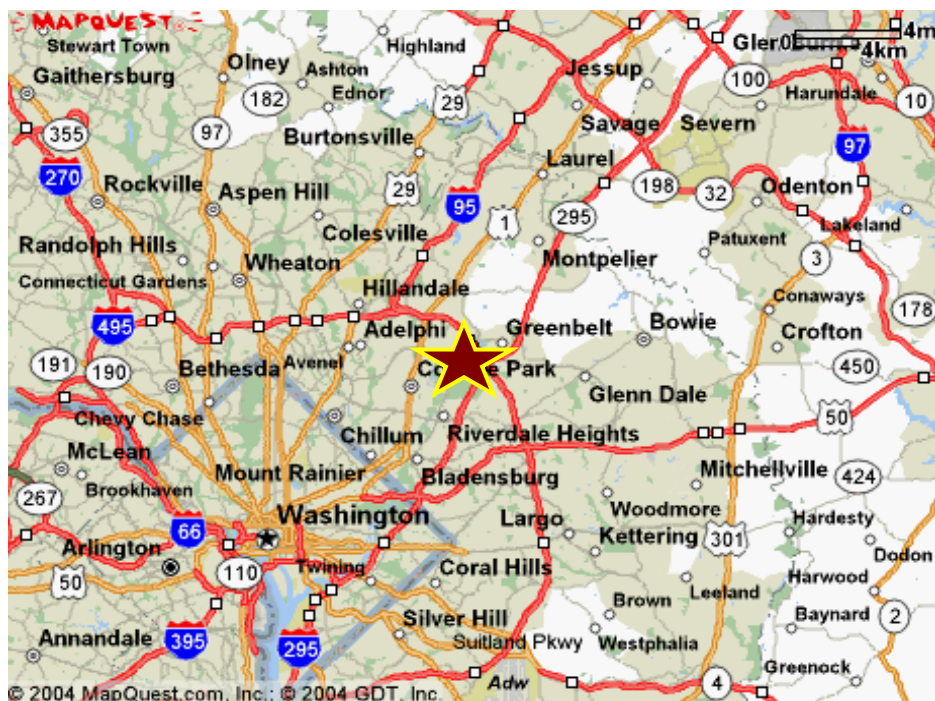
Capitol Cadillac is an easy five minute drive from the Holiday Inn Greenbelt where rooms will be reserved for the night before the show at a special rate of **\$94/night** (301-982-7000 – mention "Cadillac & LaSalle Club" when making reservation). The Holiday Inn Greenbelt will also be the site for a dinner the night before the show hosted by past CLC President Richard Sills & Shelley Chadick. If you plan to attend the dinner, please RSVP to Shelley at shelleychadick@yahoo.com or 717-368-4422. **We are hoping for a large turnout of local members to attend this dinner as an expression of our hospitality to our visitors who traveled a long distance, and incurred the cost of overnight accommodations, to support our event.**

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LOCAL DIRECTIONS:

From Capital Beltway (I-495/95)

- Use Exit 23 - Kenilworth Avenue Rte 201, proceed South on Kenilworth Avenue to first exit - Greenbelt Road, Route 193
- At light, proceed East on Greenbelt Road - Rte 193 (left)
- At traffic light make left onto Walker Drive (**TGI Friday's** Restaurant on corner)
- Make an immediate right onto Capitol Drive (Dealership is on your left)



From Baltimore- Washington Parkway (Rte 295)

- Use Exit for Rte 193 (Greenbelt Road)
- Proceed West on Rte 193 - Greenbelt Road
- Make first right after underpass onto Capitol Drive (Dealership is on your right)

For more information, contact Diane & Henry Ruby, Car Show Coordinators,
at 301-297-4459, 301-894-8026 or henry.ladydi@verizon.net.



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Car Show Rules

Rain or Shine: The car show will take place rain or shine. No refunds.

Judging Rules: Vehicles will be peer judged by the individual owners of the registered cars.
Registrants will be able to judge cars in all classes, including their own. 1st, 2nd and 3rd place awards will be given to winning vehicles in each class

<u>Judging Classes</u>	<u>Other Awards</u>
Class A: 1902 – 1942 Cadillac (exc. Fleetwoods)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dealer's Choice• Best Pre-War• Best Post-War• Best of Show• Ladies Choice• Long Distance (Driven Cars Only)
Class B: 1927 – 1940 LaSalle	
Class C: 1946 – 1958 Cadillac (exc. Fleetwoods)	
Class D: 1959 – 1964 Cadillac (exc. Fleetwoods)	
Class E: 1965 – 1970 Cadillac (exc. Fleetwoods)	
Class F: 1971 – 1976 Cadillac (exc. Fleetwoods)	A vehicle receiving "Best of Show" may also receive an award in its class, but will not be eligible to receive "Best Pre War" or "Best Post War" at the same show.
Class G: 1977 – 1986 Cadillac (exc. Fleetwoods)	
Class H: 1987 – 1996 Cadillac (exc. Fleetwoods)	
Class I: 1997 – Current Cadillac (exc. Fleetwoods)	
Class J: Commercial Vehicles	
Class K: Modified Vehicles	
Class L: 1938 – 1959 Fabulous Fleetwoods	
Class M: 1960 – 1999 Fabulous Fleetwoods	

Registration Form

Make checks payable to **CLC Potomac Region** and mail registration form to:
Harry Scott, Treasurer
14421 Aden Road
Nokesville VA 20181-3122

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Vehicle Registration Fee: (Up to Oct 14: \$15/per car - After Oct 14: \$20/per car)

Circle Make: CAD LAS Year: _____ Model: _____ Class: _____

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The Potomac Region recommends that owners keep a fire extinguisher in their collector cars.

By registering a vehicle for the show, the registrant accepts the following terms:

The Region reserves the right to determine each vehicle's judging class.

The Region reserves the right to determine each vehicle's placement in the show field.

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Check the box if you do not want your vehicle(s) judged



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***FABULOUS FLEETWOODS
COMMEMORATIVE PROGRAM WRITE-UP***

Please include a brief description on each Fleetwood registered for the show for inclusion in the Commemorative Program.

Examples: history of the car, unique features, favorite memory, etc.
Use an additional sheet if necessary.

***(Please return along with car show registration by October 14, 2010
in order to be included in the commemorative program)***

Year: _____ **Model:** _____ **Owner:** _____ **City & State:** _____

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SEPTEMBER 20, 2010 MEETING AGENDA BY SANDY KEMPER

PLACE: Capitol Cadillac, Greenbelt, MD

TIME: 7:30 PM

PRESIDING: National Director Jack McClow

ATTENDANCE: George & Rita Boxley; Chris Cummings; Jeff Gurski; Daniel Jobe; Sandy Kemper; Rick Menz, Scot Minesinger; Mary Moscati, Dan Ruby & JoJo Taylor; Diane & Henry Ruby; Harry Scott; and Eugene "Woody" Woodruff

DIRECTOR'S REMARKS: Jack McClow thanked everyone for attending. He informed everyone that CLC Central PA Region Director Frank Pinola, friend of many PR members, passed away on Sept 3rd. Frank founded the Central PA Region 20 years ago. This year Frank was the recipient of the CLC Norm Uhlir Regional Activity Award at the GN.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: The Minutes from the August meeting were not read since they had been published and distributed to all members in the September, 2010 newsletter.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The Treasurer's Report covered the time period from the August meeting to date. Harry Scott reported that the Region's income was \$575.06. The total expenses for the same time period were \$2,061.39. The checking account balance as of the meeting date is \$7,374.13. The CD principal balance is \$5,846.14.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: Scot Minesinger reported that our membership is at 199 members. He reminded everyone about the promotion to get to 200 members that was announced in the September newsletter. We will send out the 2011 renewal forms in October, hopefully a week or so before our show.

ACTIVITIES REPORT:

1. Recently Held Events:

- **CLC National Driving Tour, Washington State, Aug 24-29:** Jack attended. His story and photos will appear in the October issue of the newsletter.
- **Vern Parker's Street Dreams Car Show, Spring Hill Recreation Center, McLean, VA, Sep 5:** Many Region members attended, including those featured in Vern's column and many others. Capitol Cadillac featured a new CTS-V on the Show grounds.
- **Inaugural Meet and Tour at the Gilmore Car Museum, Hickory Corners, MI, Sep 5:** Jack attended this event and shared photographs. He talked about the Gilmore Complex and the CLCMRC's building campaign.
- **AACA Bull Run Region, 35th Annual Edgar Rohr Memorial Car Meet, Manassas, VA, Sep 18:** Harry and Sandy Kemper talked about this well-attended meet. Chris Cummings won 1st in Class and Scot was awarded a 3rd in Class.

2. Upcoming PR Events:

- **VFR Run/Meet to Baltimore Streetcar Museum, Sat, Oct 23:** We've heard from John Barry (Valley Forge Region). The Museum opens at 12 noon on Saturday. The VFR folks expect to get there around 2 PM. The Museum will give all participants a discounted admission (\$5) per auto, regardless of the number of occupants.

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This includes unlimited rides on the streetcars. Sandy conducted a straw poll to see who's planning to attend. He mentioned that we are considering having the PR attendees meet for lunch at Snyder's and then caravan to the Museum. We should support this event and have a good turnout of Region members. More details to follow.

- ***Fabulous Fleetwoods Fall Car Show, Sun, Oct 24:*** The show flyer was distributed by email on 8/29 and it appeared in the September issue of the newsletter. Deadline for pre-registration will be 10/14. To date 18 cars have been pre-registered, including 10 Fleetwoods. We have been contacted by Fleetwood owners from as far away as Michigan and New Jersey expressing interest in attending. Vince Taliano has rec'd quite a few emails asking if non-Fleetwoods would be able to participate in the show. He made a 2nd email distribution of the show flyer on 9/18 to make clear that all Cadillacs & LaSalle's are welcome.
- **Annual Holiday Party:** Rita Boxley reminded everyone that she and George will be hosting the Annual Holiday Party again this year on **Sunday December 12th.**

3. Other upcoming events:

- **City of Rockville Antique and Classic Car Show, Rockville Civic Center Park, Sat, Oct 16:** A large turnout of Region members and vehicles are expected. The early registration cut-off date (\$10 vs. \$15) was Sept 10th. There was discussion about setting up our Region's tent. Jack will follow-up with the show organizers.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **PR Officer Elections:** Sandy named the nominees for each officer position and asked if there were any nominations from the floor. Hearing none, he asked for a motion to close the nominations. The motion was approved. He announced that the election ballot will be published in the October newsletter and that a voice vote for the election of officers will take place at the October Region meeting.
- **Cadillac-LaSalle Museum at the Gilmore:** Jack announced that the Region's matching contribution campaign for the new CLC Museum in the Gilmore Car Museum Complex has reached \$4,560 with donations totaling \$1,520 from nine members to date. Our goal is a grand total of \$7,500 by the end of the year.

GENERAL DISCUSSION: Scot distributed "Cadillac" key chains that were given to the Region by USA Parts. Our thanks to USA Parts for their gift!

NEXT MEETING: Monday, Oct. 18, 2010, 7:30 PM at the Silver Diner, Merrifield, VA.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM



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COACHBUILT CADILLACS CONVENE IN ALBANY STORY & PHOTOS BY GREGG D. MERKSAMER

Though novice enthusiasts might assume that mainstream carmakers like Cadillac build their own ambulances and hearses, such vehicles are actually bodied by specialist coachbuilders who complete anywhere from a handful to several hundred cars each year to individual customer orders. The Professional Car Society (PCS), comprising 1,100 members who hail largely from the emergency medicine and funeral service fields, was founded in 1976 to ensure that the achievements of Eureka, Miller-Meteor, Superior and other firms would be recognized and appreciated by old car hobbyists.

The 34th Annual PCS International Meet - held in Albany, NY from July 27th-31st, 2010 - continued to maintain the ban against displaying caskets, skeletons and other morbid miscellany that has been in force since the club's inception to keep the public focused on craftsmanship and aesthetics. However the owners of ambulances and "combination coaches" (ambulances fitted with removable landau panels and reversible casket rollers to allow part-time use as hearses) had opportunity aplenty to exercise their sirens and rooftop beacons. In addition to the "sound and light" show that traditionally concludes the meet on Saturday evening, Albany's itinerary featured a Friday afternoon, Sheriff-escorted "Code 3" convoy that lasted nearly 19 miles from the Columbia County line to the FASNY Museum of Firefighting in Hudson, NY.



Potomac Region Member Mike Barruzza, who served as President of the Professional Car Society from 1995-97, presents the 2010 Cadillac-LaSalle Club Award to John & Patti McCulloch of Durham, Ontario for their 1939 S&S LaSalle carved panel hearse (pictured below). The car's 2,800-hour, ground-up restoration also earned Best-of-Show and Funeral Directors Choice in Albany.





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The Professional Car Society's 2010 International Meet featured a 19-mile convoy to the FASNY Fire Museum in Hudson, NY, where an escort by the Columbia County Sheriff allowed the participants to fire up their lights and sirens. The first ambulance in the procession is Meet host Dan Herrick's 1970 Superior Cadillac Rescuer, which originally served with the Pine Plains, NY Fire Department Rescue Squad.

Attendees were also treated to a Tuesday steamboat tour of Lake George touting lovely Adirondack Mountain vistas; a Wednesday bus trip to the 142nd season of races at the Saratoga Race Course (during which the bus diverted beforehand to a special exhibit of woodie wagons at the Saratoga Auto Museum in a re-purposed mineral water bottling plant); and a Thursday display of pro-cars in downtown Albany that was dramatically back-dropped by the New York State Museum and the soaring 1960s modernist skyscrapers surrounding the Governor Nelson A. Rockefeller Empire State Plaza. Then on Friday evening, two of the Cadillacs - Dan Skivolocke's 1959 Superior Royale Ambulance from Alliance, OH and Darren Bedford's 1962 Miller-Meteor Futura Limousine Hearse from Toronto, Canada - got to do an impromptu photo shoot in front of President Martin Van Buren's 19th Century home in Kinderhook, NY as the National Park Service ranger at the gate is a PCS member who attends the church where 2010 meet host Daniel K. Herrick is the Reverend.

Extremely-agreeable, mid-70s temperatures - punctuated by the frequent descent of passenger jets directly above the show field - saw Saturday's Concours at the Best Western Albany Airport Inn tally more than fifty pro-cars. The official distance champion was deemed to be a red-and-silver 1974 Miller-Meteor Cadillac Criterion "walk-through" high-top ambulance - originally used by the Long Hill First Aid Squad of Stirling, NJ - that Richard & Terri Vyse drove 1,210 miles from New Smyrna Beach, FL. Doug & Robyn Lemon of Willoughby, New South Wales, Australia had an even longer trip in store for the 1969 Superior Cadillac Rescuer they'd collected on July 19th from St. John's Ambulance of London, Ontario, anticipating its shipment to Sydney would take 6-8 weeks by way of the Newark, NJ docks and the Panama Canal. Though Doug had worried "about how it had to cross the border in a particular way and 'officially' enter the (U.S.) so I could export it out, the Customs people were fantastic and very excited. When they asked me if everything worked, I told them I wasn't sure, so they told me I'd have to fire up the lights and sirens. I think they just wanted to see it go."



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Having reached the 42,000-mile mark on his drive from Pittsburgh to Albany, PCS President Rick Duffy received the popularly-voted Medics Choice Award for the 1964 Miller-Meteor Cadillac 42-inch headroom Classic low-top ambulance (pictured below) he has owned since 1997 but first enjoyed riding in as an 11-year-old, recalling "my father had season tickets for Pitt (University of Pittsburgh) football, and was friends with the Freyvogel Brothers who supplied the ambulance for the game. So we parked at their funeral home and didn't have to worry about parking at the stadium."



After devoting 2,800 hours to their ground-up restoration of an awe-inspiring 1939 LaSalle hearse that Sayers & Scovill of Cincinnati, OH adorned with intricate, cast aluminum exterior drapes that were designed to resemble traditional wood carvings, John & Patti McCulloch of Durham, Ontario earned the Funeral Directors Choice prize for the second year in a row. They were also given the Cadillac-LaSalle Club Award as the highest-scoring example of either marque in Albany and, as a result, the Best-of-Show.



**Top to Bottom:
Superior 1949 Cadillac
Superior 1958 Cadillac Combo
Miller-Meteor 1964 Cadillac**

Looking to 2011, the Professional Car Society's 35th Anniversary International Meet has been scheduled for Hudson, OH (halfway between Cleveland and Akron) from July 12th-16th. Details on registration and the itinerary, which will include a drive-in movie night and pro-car convoys to Stan Hywet Hall and the MAPS Military Air Museum, can be obtained by e-mailing Sarah Snook at ssnook@kent.edu, or Ron Devies at ron_devies@yahoo.com. General info on joining the PCS, which costs \$30 annually in the U.S., Canada & Mexico and \$35 elsewhere, can be obtained by e-mailing Membership Secretary Jeff Hookway at hookjch@ptd.net or writing him at 201 Glenside Trail, Sparta, NJ. 07871-1249. An electronic application that can process PayPal is also found on the official PCS website at www.professionalcarsociety.org.



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NORTHERN VIRGINIA CAR SHOWS PHOTOS BY SANDY KEMPER



**Chris Cummings accepting
a 1st in Class award for his
1930 Cadillac V-16
at the Edgar Rohr
Memorial Show
Manassas VA**



**L to R: Richard Sisson, Randy
Denchfield, Harry Scott, Jim
George and Steven Sisson
(seated) at Vern Parker's
Street Dreams Show
McLean VA**



**Scot Minesinger posing with
his 3rd in Class award for his
1970 Cadillac
at the Edgar Rohr
Memorial Show
Manassas VA**



**A favorite color of CLC cars
at Vern Parker's
Street Dreams Show
McLean VA**



**The McQueens having lunch at
Vern Parker's
Street Dreams Show
McLean VA**



***The Cadillac That Followed Me
Home at the Edgar Rohr
Memorial Show
Manassas VA***

Visit <http://www.clcpotomacregion.org/2010pictures.htm>
to see more pictures from these two events.



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THREE FOR THE ROAD (PART I) STORY & PHOTOS COURTESY OF JACK MCCLOW

So, how did you spend your summer vacation? Me? I attended three, yes three, national Cadillac & LaSalle Club events, one each in the months of July, August, and September, crisscrossing the USA in everything but a Chevrolet. As far as I can tell, I was the only CLC member fortunate enough to be able attend all three. In the stories I have written in the past, I always stressed the pleasures I enjoyed by being with all the wonderful members in our great club, many of whom have become such very good friends of mine. But now that I have been to Kansas City for the CLC Grand National, the Upper Northwest for the CLC National Driving Tour and Hickory Corners, Michigan for the CLC Museum and Research Center opening, I can add the pleasures of enjoying awesome and amazing scenery to my growing list of great reasons for belonging to the CLC.

CLC Grand National (July 12-18)

The stories and pictures of this great event have been well publicized in many venues. But did you all see the urban cowboy who would have won the Best Dressed Cowboy Contest at the Faulkner Ranch Western Night if it had not been for the little six-year-old rustler who showed up with chaps and sidearms? Well here you go: Cowboy Jack ready to hit the open range (pictured right). Know of any place where this outfit can be worn in the Washington, D.C. area? Seriously, do you?

CLC National Driving Tour (August 24-30)

Everything from the majesty of 14,410 foot Mt. Rainier to the dozens of breathtaking waterfalls Washington State has to offer its visitors were on hand for me when I made my way around the state courtesy of Bradley Huson and his friendly band of volunteers from the Pacific Northwest Region of the CLC. Then, of course, there were the Cadillacs and LaSalles I enjoyed seeing as well, almost all of which I had never seen before.

From start to finish, this was an absolutely fantastic trip. It began even before I expected when I ran into fellow club member Bob Schumann from St. Louis in Las Vegas where we were both changing planes. Bob and I worked it out so we could sit across the aisle from each other and visit on the way to Seattle; I felt like the tour had begun before I even landed in the great state of Washington.





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Once settled into my room at the host hotel I pulled open the drapes and saw the most amazing site: a stunningly beautiful view of Mt. Rainier some 50+ miles away, against a most incredibly blue sky, framed perfectly in my window (pictured right). I left the drapes wide open for the next five days. For a state that prides itself on separating the hearty souls from



the weak-kneed with its almost relentless drizzle of rain, I must say the organizers of our driving tour outdid themselves as we had an entire week of the most amazing weather I could have ever imagined. Even the most seasoned and jaded locals were commenting on our remarkable good luck; I heard over and over again that weather like what we experienced was all but unheard of by those who call the area home.



I was up bright and early the next morning to begin the tour. One of the first of the great local old Cadillacs I was going to be enjoying over the coming days arrived with a special passenger occupying the center seat. Yes, that is Louie pictured above left riding in a spectacular 1941 Cadillac convertible coupe owned by Gary & Joyce Johnson (pictured above right with Mt. Rainier in the background). Once underway on our trip up to the visitor's center for Mt. Rainier, there were more incredible views than I had ever expected.

You may be wondering how I was getting around since I had no Cadillac of my own for the tour? Well, I was going modern, but still in grand Cadillac style. Rubye & Bob Musser (Rubye is the Director of the North Texas Region) were kind enough to let me ride with them for the entire tour in their luxurious 2008 Cadillac SRX.



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Here's Ruby taking full advantage of the massive sunroof that gave her a bird's eye view of all the scenery she could handle throughout the tour (pictured top left). And the waterfalls were plentiful as well as spectacular: Narada Falls; Christine Falls; others too numerous to mention. Every time we stopped we were always so impressed with the amazing scenery and spectacular views.



There's Nancy Hotz posing for a picture on her way back up from a trip down to see Narada Falls up close and personal, with husband Jack and best friends Chevonne & Rob Robison climbing up the trail behind her (pictured middle left). This foursome from New Jersey and Delaware, along with yours truly from the D.C. area, made up the East Coast faction of the tour as well as the Potomac Region contribution to the tour.



Pictured bottom left is an example of what can happen if you take up two spots in a very crowded parking lot at the welcome center near the top of Mt. Rainier. Fortunately, other than making his point, the owner of this Mercury Sable left no other signs of displeasure with the owner of the Eldorado.

The Paradise Visitor's Center was as far as we decided we wanted to go up Mt. Rainier. It offered the best views of the day, a great lodge for lunch, and more and more of the most amazing balmy weather and crystal blue skies we were all enjoying so much.

And we had a bear sighting on the way down the mountain: a mama bear and two cubs on their way to somewhere, probably lunch. They were a bit off in the distance, but we stopped on the side of the road and could see them just as clear as could be. This was my very first honest-to-goodness, out-in-the-wilderness bear sighting. The day just kept getting better and better.



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Then back to the host hotel for the evening and a wonderful welcome reception where I was able to meet and visit with more of the CLC members who I would be spending time with on the tour over the following few days. The next morning was the beginning of the two day, overnight part of our tour that would take us up and over the North Cascades Mountain range on our trip to our eastern-most destination on the tour. We would be taking the northern route to our destination, Winthrop, Washington, and the southerly route back to the Tacoma/Seattle area. Both routes were to have a substantial amount of mountainous driving, so everyone was comparing notes on what they had done to be sure each of the cars was ready for the upcoming trip. And speaking of having their cars properly prepared for each of the tours, with all the miles covered and all the mountainous roads traveled there was not one report of a malfunction anywhere along the way. The man and son team driving the DTS "trouble truck" were so anxious to be needed one driver reported he had only stopped by the side of the road, out in the middle of nowhere, just to put the top up on his car and the "trouble truck" was there in an instant to assist with the process. So, fortunately for all of those on the tour, all that oil, anti-freeze and tools in the trunk will need to wait for another day to be used to help a stranded motorist somewhere in the Pacific Northwest.

Many of us have seen the film of the famous and short lived bridge that was opened in 1940 to connect the city of Tacoma with the Gig Harbor area: the Tacoma Narrows Bridge, better known as Galloping Gertie. Well, here we are, starting out on our two day tour to the eastern part of Washington State, going over one of the new bridges that replaced good old Galloping Gertie. That is Don Miholovich and Joni Reis leading us across the bridge in their red 1965 convertible (pictured right). Yes, those are rain drops on the windshield of our SRX, but this was the only rain we saw the whole week. It didn't last long and gave those of us from outside the area an idea of what it is like to live in the Seattle/Tacoma area.



After crossing the new Tacoma Narrows Bridge, we traveled for awhile and then took the ferry from Port Townsend to Whidbey Island. On the ferry were about two-dozen tour cars including Duke & Donna Gercke's red 1959 convertible. They travel from Ohio to every Grand National and most all of the National Driving Tours in this proven road warrior, no matter where the events may be located. We crossed back over to the mainland by way of another bridge over Deception Pass (pictured left).



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Pictured top left is the Skagit River Basin. This view is one of the many amazing views along the North Cascades Highway as it follows the Skagit River. After a special BBQ dinner at the Burnt Finger Restaurant in Winthrop it was time to call it a day.



The next morning arrived with even more of the same amazing weather we were to enjoy for the entire week. For a little variety in my transportation mode I decided to give Rubye & Bob a break for the morning and hitch a ride with Brad & Hyang Cha Ipsen and their friend and fellow passenger Bob Schumann (Remember him? He and I were on the flight together from Las Vegas to Seattle) in the Ipsen's absolutely stunning 1940 60 Special (pictured bottom left). Riding that morning in that amazing car was an experience I will never forget. The car is perfect in every way and rode just like a Cadillac should.

We made a quick stop later in the morning at Ohme Gardens, and then onward into the German village of Leavenworth, nestled on the eastern side of the North Cascades mountain range, for lunch.

After lunch I settled back into the SRX with the Mussers (they said they had missed me ☺) for the trip back over the Cascades Range and back to the Seattle/Tacoma area, with one more fantastic stop waiting for us: the Deception Falls Nature Trail, where I again met up with my East Coast buddies, Nancy, Jack, Chevonne and Rob, blazing the waterfall and scenery trails.



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The next day we left early to visit the LeMay Automobile Museum. If you have never been to this complex before this is one of the things you definitely need to add to your bucket list. In a nutshell, a local boy did very well by starting a trash hauling business shortly after WWII, and soon he started collecting almost anything with wheels: automobiles in particular. He eventually bought the disbanded Marymount Academy, where he assembled what was listed in the 1997 Guinness Book of World records as the largest privately owned car collection in the world. This is where he housed and made available for viewing many of the **3,500 or so cars** he had in his collection at the peak of his hobby. Local members told us stories about going to the area auctions while Mr. LeMay was still alive and seeing him in action; some people were convinced he never, ever, put his hand down once the bidding process began. It has been reported that he purchased an average of three to four cars per week for twenty years. The cars in his collection are in all various forms of cosmetic and mechanical condition.



In addition to his vast number of interesting and unusual cars, Mr. LeMay was an avid collector of many other varied items which are also on display throughout the massive museum grounds. Among the display items is a split-in-half version of a 1962 Cadillac convertible mounted on a wall looking as if it is parked on Route 66. It is an interactive display where people can climb up a few steps to sit in the car and have their photo taken. Here's Ruby enjoying the display!!



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There was only one more day left on the driving tour and it was reserved for an annual car show and picnic in the small hamlet of Ruston nestled in at the northern tip of the Tacoma peninsula. Plans were made for me to be picked up by Kevin Berry in his absolutely pristine 1965 Eldorado in Peacock Firemist. What an amazing car; absolutely perfect in every way, and what a treat to be driven from the host hotel to the event in such a fantastic car.

But my experiences with fantastic cars for the day were just beginning. Bradley Huson, our tour host and Mayor of the village of Ruston, used his powers of influence to close off the village's main boulevard for the day of the show. He also had several of his cars stored just a few blocks away from the location of the day's event. Once I arrived on the scene, Bradley asked if I would be willing to walk up to the storage facility and help him drive some of his cars back to be placed on the show grounds. Boy, was I excited!! He didn't have to ask me twice. On the first trip to the storage facility, he asked if I wanted to drive the 1959 Fleetwood in Wood Rose Iridescent or another car that I honestly can't remember as I was already overwhelmed by the low mileage and totally awesome Fleetwood that was before my eyes. I jumped at the chance to spend a few minutes behind the wheel.



On the next trip he asked if I wanted to drive the 1961 Eldorado Biarritz (pictured above left) or, again, I can't remember the other choice as I was stunned again, maybe even more so than before, with this absolutely amazing car with the rare and flawless Ostrich leather interior. This car, I later discovered, was once in the collection of our very own Potomac Region member Richard Sills. The last of my drives that morning was in an extraordinarily low mileage 1976 Sedan DeVille. Bradley's own collection contributed mightily to the display of

the 60 some very excellent examples of Cadillac products that were on hand for the event. In addition to all the magnificent low mileage original and superbly restored Cadillacs on view that day, pictured above is an example of one of the four Cadillacs that the Modified Class in the show had on display for us.

It was a great day, a great car show, and a great way to end a wonderful driving tour. As I was leaving, I felt like I was leaving friends I had known for years, even though most of us had only just recently met. Thanks so much to all the members of the Pacific Northwest Region for their fantastic hospitality.

Part II of Jack's Story will appear in the November issue.

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2011-2012 POTOMAC REGION OFFICERS ELECTION BALLOT BY SANDY KEMPER

The following is the election ballot for the 2011-2012 officer positions of the CLC Potomac Region. Since there is only one candidate for each officer position, the election of officers will be conducted by voice vote at the regular Region meeting on Monday, October 18, 2010 at the Silver Diner in Merrifield, Virginia.

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Vince Taliano	North Potomac, MD	Regional Director Newsletter Editor Website Manager
Dan Ruby	Temple Hills, MD	Assistant Regional Director
Sandy Kemper	Silver Spring, MD	Secretary
Diane & Henry Ruby	Temple Hills, MD	Car Show Coordinators
Harry Scott	Nokesville, VA	Treasurer
Tom McQueen	McLean, VA	Membership Chairman
R. Scot Minesinger	Fairfax Station, VA	Activities Director



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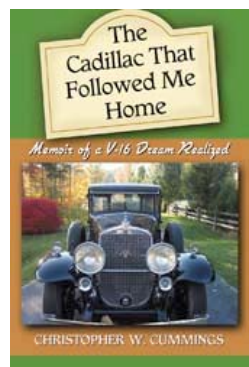
Cars For Sale

1956 Series 6219 Sedan – Excellent driver – Original owner kept the car for 36 years and was happy to tell current owner that it never gave him a bit of trouble - Current owner reports the same thing in his 11 years of ownership – Repainted in the original Sonic Blue about 15 years ago, but aside from that it hasn't been apart – Only maintained and driven – 89k miles – Interior is worn in areas of the backrest portion of the seats, but the dash is in very good shape – Car has been driven to numerous Cadillac & LaSalle Club Regional car shows in Maryland, Pennsylvania and New Jersey – See pictures at <http://www.clcpotomacregion.org/56cadillac3forsale.htm> – **Asking \$9,000** – For more info, contact Dan Reed at 610-488-7927 or dan@danreedillustration.com – Car is located in Hamburg, PA

1977 Seville – Gold with gold vinyl top – Cloth interior – 125K miles – Barn stored for over 10 years – **Asking \$850**
- 1978 Seville – Blue with blue leather interior – 82K miles – Factory CB radio – Fair condition – Will run – **Asking \$850**
- 1982 Cimarron – White with red leather interior – 151K miles – Outside stored for over 10 years – **Asking \$450** – For more info, contact Mike Carlin at 410-596-1212 – Cars are located in New Windsor, MD

NEW ARRIVAL 1979 Seville – 74,290 miles – Largely original black paint with a black top and perfect red leather – Summer car – Never rusted – Over \$6,000 spent recently including eight NOS fuel injectors, new self leveling rear suspension, Michelin tires and Bilstein shocks, fan clutch, fuel pump, full wire set and plugs, ECM, brakes, NOS grille (original was chipped) distributor, coil, plus the usual belts and hoses – In May 2010, the battery was changed and the control module, plugs and fluids were flushed and renewed – See pictures at <http://s1006.photobucket.com/home/allterrainextreme/allalbums> – **Asking \$6,875** - Other cars for sale include a 1970 Mark III and a 1977 Mark V – For more info, contact Marc Devito at marcd@madriver.com or Jon at 802-673-4889 – Cars located in Vermont

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