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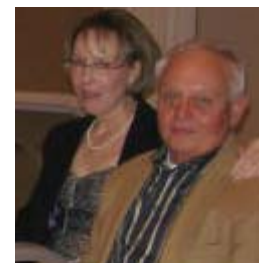
I would like to thank Gary Fisher, CLC Awards Committee Chair, and Jack Wojnowski, Webmaster of the CLC Mount Hood Region, for selecting the Potomac Region's website as the 2012 CLC Website Excellence Award recipient. It is an honor to be selected as the top website with all the excellent region websites in our club. This award is even more meaningful this year with Pat Caruso's recent passing. Pat, two-time CLC Website Excellence Award winner, was extremely helpful to me in 2005-06 when I was creating the website by offering tips as well as content to get us started. I know Pat is looking down and smiling as one of his protégés won the award.

It is always enjoyable to receive emails from overseas after an issue of our newsletter is published. Dirk Van Dorst from Belgium, James Ayres from France and others email me periodically. After our most recent issue, I received an email from Peter B. Griffith of the Cadillac Owners Club of Great Britain. Like others who have contacted me, he offered his condolences on Henry Ruby's passing. Peter stated that there always seems to be someone like Henry in every club, a member who is willing to do whatever it takes to help the club and its members.

Now that we are approaching the dog days of summer, there are two things that we need to do in earnest: 1) make final preparations for the Fall Car Show, *Professional Pride*, and 2) begin soliciting nominations for this year's bi-annual election. With Henry's passing, we have one opening, Car Show Coordinator, and we may have others. More information regarding both topics will appear in the next newsletter issue.

Our condolences go out to Dana Monette and the entire Monette family on the recent passing of Lou Monette. Lou was a long-time CLC member and friend to many. He will be missed by all that knew him.

Vince Taliano





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2012 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DATE	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION	CONTACT INFORMATION
Jul 7 Sat	9:00 am – 3:00 pm	6th Annual CLC Inter-Regional Meet	AACA Museum Hershey PA	Art Archambeault at 717-557-6974 or artarchambeault49@gmail.com
Jul 8 Sat	8:00 am – 2:00 pm	National Capital Region Early Ford V-8 Club's 22nd Annual Car Show	Longwood Community Center Brookeville MD	Al Zimmermann at 410-560-0237 or zimmco1@comcast.net
Jul 13 Fri		3rd Annual Collector Car Appreciation Day	All across the USA	www.SEMASAN.com/ CollectorCarAppreciationDay
Jul 22 Sun	10:00 am – 3:00 pm	VCCA Free State Region's Annual Car & Truck Show	Meadowbrook Regional Park Lutherville MD	Hank at 410-377-8331 or dankerus@comcast.net or grand1917@comcast.net
Jul 16 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
Jul 28 Sat	11:00 am – 4:00 pm	8th Annual Picnic with Lincoln Mercury friends	J. Roger Bentley's Home Brinklow MD	R. Scot Minesinger at rscothm@cox.net or 703-283-2021
Jul 28 Sat	9:00 am – 2:00 pm	Fort Belvoir Car and Bike Show	Fort Belvoir VA	Romel Voellm at romel.e.voellm.naf@mail.mil or 703-805-9239
Aug 4 Sat	9:00 am – 4:00 pm	Rohrersville / Boonsboro Fire Stations Car Show	Rohrersville MD	Harry Wood at 301-606-0156 or Jerri D'Angelo at 301-712-6832
Aug 5 Sun	9:00 am – 4:00 pm	AACA Chesapeake Region Antique Car & Truck Show	Howard County Fairgrounds West Friendship MD	410-484-1299 or www.chesapeakeaaca.org
Aug 11 Sat	10:00 am – 3:00 pm	38th Annual Metro Chapter Buick Club All-GM Show	Montgomery College Rockville MD	Cory Correll at 240-686-0229 or corydraw@gmail.com
Aug 19 Sun	2:00 pm – 4:00 pm	Potomac Region Monthly Meeting	Snyder's family Restaurant Linthicum MD	Vince Taliano at 301-258-8321 or vincetaliano@clcpotomacregion.org
Aug 19 Sun	8:00 am – 3:00 pm	27th Annual Francis Scott Key Antique Car Show	Rose Hill Manor Frederick MD	Joe Bart at 301-898-1041 Ken Wilson at 301-695-6581
Sep 2 Sun	10:00 am – 3:00 pm	Vern Parker's Street Dreams Car Show	Spring Hill Recreation Center McLean VA	www.vernparker.com
Sep 8 Sat	9:00 am – 1:00 pm	2nd Annual Classic and Antique Car Show	Fairhaven Retirement Community Sykesville MD	Tammy Fleming at 410-876-6509 or Tammyraejoe@aol.com
Sep 9 Sun	7:00 am – 3:00 pm	11th Annual AARP-Wyngul Automotive Herndon Classic Car Show	Lynn & Station Sts Herndon VA	brent@aarpdulles.org
Sep 9 Sun		Radnor Hunt Concours d'Elegance featuring Cadillac	Malvern PA	www.radnorconcours.com
Sep 14-16 Fri-Sun		46th Annual Bennington Car Show	Bennington VT	www.benningtoncarshow.com
Sep 16 Sun	9:00 am – 3:00 pm	3rd Annual CLC Raritan River Region Car Show	Gold Coast Cadillac Oakhurst NJ	www.rrrcclc.org/goldcoast2012
Oct 3-7 Wed-Sun	Gates open daily at 7:00 am	Fall Carlisle & Auction	Carlisle PA	717-243-7855 or www.carsatcarlisle.com
Oct 7 Sun	8:00 am – 3:00 pm	First Annual Fall Spectacular Car and Truck Show	Fauquier High School Warrenton VA	Chris at 571-437-3752
Oct 10-13 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 13 Sat	9:00 am – 2:00 pm	3rd Annual Natty Boh Car Show	1st Mariner Bldg Baltimore MD	Mark Fuhr at mfuhr@metlife.com
Oct 20 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 28 Sun	9:00 am – 3:00 pm	Capitol Cadillac Fall Car Show <i>Professional Pride</i>	Capitol Cadillac Greenbelt MD	Vince Taliano at 301-258-8321 or vincetaliano@clcpotomacregion.org

Visit www.clcpotomacregion.org/eventslisting.htm where show flyers can be downloaded

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JULY 16, 2012 MEETING MINUTES BY SCOT MINESINGER & SANDY KEMPER

PLACE: Silver Diner, Merrifield, VA.

TIME: 7:30 PM

PRESIDING: Activities Director Scot Minesinger

ATTENDANCE: Chris Cummings, Jeff Gurski, Sam & Karen Jackson, Tom McQueen, Vern Parker, Debbie Taylor and Harry Scott

DIRECTOR'S REMARKS: Scot thanked everyone for attending. The June Region meeting was cancelled due to a conflict with the memorial services for the late Henry Ruby. We appreciate everyone's understanding for the last minute notice of cancellation.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: The minutes from the May meeting were not read since they had been published and distributed to all members in the May, 2012 newsletter.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The Treasurer's Report covered the time period from the May meeting to date. The Region's income was \$95.90. The total expenses for the same time period were \$452.78.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: We have obtained the latest active and inactive Potomac Region membership lists from the CLC membership office. This will help us to get a head start on the membership work that we have to complete for the CLC in the fall. Also, our current 2012 membership total is 209 members. Our newest members are Lynn Gardner, Arlington, VA; Joel Patierno, Alexandria, VA and Dave Piel (Chuck's brother), Columbia, MD. Lynn has a 1975 and 1976 Sedan deVille, Joel owns a 1987 Brougham D'Elegance and Dave has a 2006 STS. Welcome!

ACTIVITIES REPORT: The following activities were discussed:

1. Recent Events:

- **CLC Grand National, St. Augustine, FL, Jun 13-16.** Chris Cummings, Sam & Karen Jackson, Tom McQueen and Harry Scott attended. Other Region members not at the meeting also attended. National Director Jack McClow has written an article about the GN for the newsletter. He reports that Vince Taliano and the Potomac Region won the CLC Website Excellence award.
- **39th Annual Sully Plantation Father's Day Car Show, Chantilly, VA, Jun 17.** No one at the meeting had attended the show and we have very little information about the total number of Cadillacs and LaSalles in attendance and the judging and awards of the Cadillac class.
- **Carlisle GM Nationals, Carlisle, PA, Jun 22-24.** Chuck Piel attended. He drove his Z-28 instead of his Cadillac, but won "Best in Class." He has written an article about the event for the newsletter.



**John Guazzo's 1974 Eldorado
convertible at the Sully
Plantation Show**



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- **6th Annual CLC Inter-Regional Meet, AACA Museum, Hershey, PA, Jul 7.** Scot Minesinger attended and distributed some photos from this event.
- 2. Upcoming PR Events:**
- **8th Annual Picnic with Lincoln Mercury friends, Roger Bentley's Home, Brinklow MD, Sat, Jul 28th.** Through the efforts of Roger and Scot, we have rescheduled the picnic for Saturday July 28th with Sunday July 29th as a rain date. Anyone who bought perishable items, please purchase them again if possible and send those receipts to Treasurer Harry Scott at your convenience. If you were bringing something to the picnic and now cannot, please contact Scot Minesinger.
 - **Fall Car Show, *Professional Pride*, Sun, Oct 28:** Research is underway to finalize the hotel and restaurant for the Saturday night dinner.
- 3. Other upcoming events:**
- **38th Annual Metro Chapter Buick Club All-GM Show, Montgomery College, Rockville, MD, Sat, Aug 11.**
 - **Rose Hill Day Festival Antique Car Show, Rose Hill Manor Park, Frederick, MD, Sun, Aug 19.**
 - **Vern Parker's Street Dreams Car Show, Spring Hill Recreation Center, McLean, VA Sun, Sep 2.**
 - **CLC Raritan River Region Car Show, Gold Coast Cadillac, Oakhurst, NJ, Sun, Sep 16.**

NEW BUSINESS:


- With the passing of Henry Ruby, the Car Show Coordinator officer position is vacant. Any Region member who is interested in being the Car Show Coordinator for the Fall Show and serving in this position for the remainder of the term (until the end of the year) should notify any officer of the Region.
- Also, a related item, this fall we will conduct our election of officers for the term 2013-2014. Any Region member in good standing is eligible to be elected. Members who are interested in serving the Region in officer positions should contact Region Secretary Sandy Kemper via email to have their names placed in nomination.

GENERAL INFORMATION: Jeff Gurski shared some pictures of the first prototype of the LaSalle from the '50's that looked like a Corvette. Jeff also brought some pictures of models he recently completed.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS: Thanks to Sam & Karen Jackson for sharing their pictures from the 2012 CLC Grand National in St. Augustine, FL and to Scot Minesinger for sharing his pictures from the CLC Inter-Regional Meet at Hershey.

NEXT MEETING: Sunday, August 19th, 2:00 PM at Snyder's Restaurant, Linthicum MD.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM.



**Come Join Us On 9/16/12
For Our 3rd Annual Dealer
Show At Gold Coast Cadillac**

2123 Hwy 35 Oakhurst, NJ 07755

All Makes & Models Welcome! All Makes & Models Welcome!

Pre-Registration Fee Received Prior To 8/30/12 = \$15.00, Day of Show \$20.00
First 100 pre-registered cars will receive a commemorative dash plaque.
We strongly urge you to pre-register.
Entertainment will be provided!
This is a *Rain or Shine* show. Sorry no refunds.
This will be a peer judged event for NON-Cadillacs & NON-LaSalle's.
Club judging for Cadillacs & LaSalle's.
No FOR SALE Signs may be displayed.
All vehicles must have a visible Fire Extinguisher (Please - No Exceptions)
Registration From @ 9:00 through 12:00PM, Trophies @ approx. 2:30, Show will end @ 3:00 PM
Food/Refreshments will be available for purchase onsite. Restroom Facilities will be available.
Add'l info: contact Doug Lansing, evenings @ 603-466-0687 E-mail: Doug.Lansing@Verizon.net

Directions: From Garden State Parkway South, to exit 105, merge onto NJ-36 E toward NJ-35/Eatonville Long Branch 2.2 miles, Take the State Route 35 ramp 0.2 miles. Merge onto NJ-35 SR/Kings Hwy 1.5 miles. Make a U-turn at W Park Ave. Dealership will be on the right 0.2 miles. Gold Coast Cadillac 2123 Hwy 35 (Kings Hwy), Oakhurst, NJ 07755 - Phone: 877-298-1920

Raritan River Region-Gold Coast Cadillac Show Registration Form **All**

Please return with your check for \$15.00 made payable to the RRR-CLC no later than 9/20/12 **Makes & Models Welcome!**

Mail To: Rosemary Spicuzza 43 Hamilton Drive, Spotwood, NJ 08884-1271

Name: _____ Phone: _____ e-Mail: _____

Year & Make: _____ Model: _____ Body Type: _____

Do You Wish Your Car Judged? ()-Yes ()-No ~ RRR Members Only: Are You Willing To Help Judge? ()-Yes ()-No

Show spaces will be issued on a first registered, first come basis. Pre-Registration is STRONGLY suggested. This is a Rain or Shine event, sorry no refunds.



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ANOTHER CADILLAC SPOTTED ALONG THE ROAD STORY & PHOTO BY SANDY KEMPER

Last month, on my way to Sweetwater, Tennessee, I drove on US Highway 11 south of Knoxville. In Lenoir City, I happened to notice a 1959 Pontiac, perhaps a Ford Model A truck and 1970's VW in a parking lot as I drove past. It appeared to be a classic car dealership. Although I was anxious to get to my destination, I thought that there's no need to rush when there are old cars to see alongside the road.

At the earliest opportunity, I turned my car around and headed back towards the dealership. As I approached, I saw the sign, Greene's Classic Cars, and in the corner of the showroom was a 1955 Cadillac. That was all the more reason to take a few minutes away from my journey.

Indeed, Greene's Classic Cars has all sorts of fine looking cars for sale and they welcomed me to look around the showroom and their lot. "It doesn't matter if you're here to shop or just here to look at the cars, enjoy your stay." Later, I found out that this invitation is similarly stated on their website.

Greene's Classic Cars services and repairs all makes and models, classic and contemporary. They perform restorations, painting and detailing, along with their mechanical services. Also, they provide consignment services.

The showroom alone was worth my visit. It included a 1949 Buick Roadmaster, a 1958 Ford Fairlane with a retractable hardtop, a 1961 Pontiac Parisienne, a 1964 Plymouth Fury, one or two others that I didn't note, and the Cadillac.

The Cadillac was 1955 Fleetwood sedan in Pacific Coral with a white top (pictured right). Overall, the car appeared to be in excellent shape. Its paint, chrome, interior, engine compartment and undercarriage were in show condition. Greene's listed price was \$31,900. It was a treat to see. As I wrote before, isn't it fun to spot old Cadillacs as one travels the highways?

[Editor's Note: See page 17 for another Cadillac spotted along the road!]





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**2012 CLC GRAND NATIONAL
STORY BY JACK MCCLOW**

PHOTOS BY MARTINA BUTLER, TOM MCQUEEN AND BOB NORRID

Recently I returned home from the CLC Grand National / Board Meeting in St. Augustine, Florida. It was my 11th straight GN (my first was in 2002 when the Motor City Region hosted the GN that celebrated the 100th anniversary of the Cadillac Motor Car Division). I have never returned home from one without having had the best time possible and this year was no exception.

Monday – Tuesday

For those of us who were able to arrive by Monday evening, the members of the Florida Suncoast Region along with Andy Zizolfo, CLC Northeastern Regions Vice President, arranged for us early birds to go by motor coach on Tuesday to the Robert Shearer Private Car Collection in Mims, FL. There we were given the grand tour of one of the most amazing private collections I have ever seen.

Carved out of a large parcel in the Florida scrublands, a former



A sample of some of the Cadillacs on display on Tuesday's tour of the Robert Shearer Private Car Collection

resident of the far north has created the classic car lovers estate most of us could only dream to own. Once we came to the end of the long entrance drive, we found building after climate controlled building filled with the most amazing collection of cars from the '50s and '60s, including many Cadillacs along with other high end luxury American brands. This particular collector enjoys exactly the same kinds of classics I enjoy, the ones that stood out in their day due to their high level of optional equipment, dramatic (and authentic) color combinations, and unique features or low model production numbers. There were absolutely no bland color schemes in the collection of cars; it was absolutely a sight to behold throughout the collection.



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This compound is totally self-contained, and self-sustaining, with a fully equipped repair facility, a massive body restoration department, a huge paint booth, and a large, dedicated upholstery restoration department. To give you an idea of the degree to which this place is equipped to handle all aspects of vehicle restoration and maintenance, there is a special room that holds nothing but the hundreds of cans of paint that are needed for the work they do in-house, with the paint cans all stored on a special device that will automatically shake each and every can twice a week to insure the contents never have a chance to separate. We were given a demonstration of that shaking equipment in action. I must say, never before have I seen that many cans of paint all shaking at the same time, and I may never get to see such a thing again. What an afternoon we enjoyed with the owner of this most outstanding collection who, along with his son and staff, carted us all over the grounds in an endless number of electric carts, one of which was a "stretch" version; the longest electric cart I have ever seen. Each and every one of our hosts were just as nice to us as they could be, and we all came away knowing we had just experienced one of those very rare, once-in-a-lifetime experiences. Thank you so much to Andy and the Florida Suncoast members for making the tour arrangements for us possible.

Wednesday

So many great cars were on display throughout the event, and so many great stories were told. One story in particular involved a CLC couple from Seattle, Washington, who I met two years ago when I had gone out to Washington State for the 2010 CLC National Driving Tour. For that tour Don Miholovich and Joni Reis were driving a beautiful 1965 DeVille convertible. I hadn't seen Don and Joni since leaving them at the closing banquet in August of 2010, but I immediately recognized Don, and he



recognized me, as we were passing in the hallway near the registration desk on the opening day of this Grand National. I followed Don back outside to reacquaint myself with Joni and that is when I saw the car they had brought to the GN. It was not the '65 convertible that I had expected to see, but an absolutely pristine, pale green '62 Coupe DeVille with perfect soft white leather interior (see picture above). The car was immaculate, loaded with every option available that year, and was sitting there as if it had just been made ready for delivery to its first owner back in 1962. I figured they had trailed the car from Seattle as they had done with their other car to the Grand National in Kansas City two years ago, so asked Don if he had found the trailer parking lot okay. He said, "Oh no, we just decided to drive this time." I was so amazed! The car looked like it had only been driven a mile or so, not the 3,025 miles from their house in Washington State to the host hotel Florida. And Don mentioned the air conditioning system worked flawlessly the whole way as well, so Cadillac comfort and Cadillac style were in full harmony for them on that trip. And, just one guess as to which CLC member won the long distance driven award at the Saturday night's banquet?



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Wednesday evening's Welcome Reception was loads of fun, with the second annual CLC Museum and Research Auction attracting a lot of interest. The highlight of the evening's auction items was a 1996 Cadillac Concours with just sixty some thousand miles showing and in nearly perfect condition. High bid was exactly \$5,000, so a great car found a new home at a price that would make anyone very happy while giving the museum building fund a little boost.



L to R: Bob Crimmins, Martina Butler, Tom McQueen, Sarah McQueen, Sandy Partridge, Doug Johnson, Bob Norrid, Gary Fisher and Jack McClow

Thursday – Saturday

The rest of the week quickly fell into the normal routines of a fantastic Grand National. Great Cadillac classics (sadly, no LaSalles were on display) and hundreds of CLC friends all but took over the Renaissance World Golf Resort during the four days of our event. The numerical statistics for this GN:

- 290 Registrations
- 600 Attendees
- 161 Cadillacs registered for the show field
- 200 plus great friends to visit with (I am working on meeting the remaining 400)
- Five fun filled days that no amount of money can buy



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The host hotel, the Marriott Renaissance World Golf Resort, gave us fine service from start to finish, more than ample parking, and an amazing 10 story atrium lobby with glass enclosed elevators for a spectacular interior view both coming and going.

When Saturday arrived and the show field was filled with so many great cars to see, I found a great spot in the shade of an awning where I could visit with those heading to and coming from the show field. For a while I shared my bench with Judy Herbermann (pictured right), who is always in attendance at every Grand National and who loves to visit as much as I do.



Numerous members from the Potomac Region were on hand for this Grand National. Among those with cars on display were Doug & Barbara Bailey with their 1966 Sedan deVille; Mark Brodsky with his 1953 Eldorado and 1968 DeVille convertible; Martina and Frank Butler, along with their son Frank, Jr., with their 1964 Fleetwood Eldorado; Mike and Vicky Barruzza, with their 1967 DeVille convertible; Ben Berman with his 1978 Seville; Ronnie & Becky Hux with their 1974 Fleetwood Eldorado convertible; Sandy Partridge with his 1976 Coupe deVille d'Elegance; Rob & Chevonne Robison with their 1947 Convertible Coupe and Stan Tucker with his 1956 Fleetwood 60 Special.



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In addition, other Potomac Region members in attendance were Harry Scott and Marc Tuwiner, who were two of the many vendors on site with a multitude of parts for sale, Bill Anderson, Bud & Barbara Coleman, Bob Crimmins, Chris Cummings, Jack & Nancy Hotz, Sam & Karen Jackson (attending their first Grand National), Jack McCLOW, Tom & Sarah McQueen, Jeff Montgomery, Bob Norrid, Sandy Partridge, Joe Pipkin and Richard Sills.



The number of amazingly beautiful Cadillac automobiles on hand for this event was most impressive, including, as an example, seven 1957-58 Eldorado Broughams, many of which were in absolutely pristine condition.



At the other end of the age spectrum, the earliest model on display was a very, very fine example of a 1912 Cadillac Touring Car.

With approximately 160 classic Cadillac automobiles on display throughout the event, there was an ample selection of terrific cars to suit the interests of everyone who attended this fine event.

The days flew by, with seminars to be attended, tours to be taken, dinners alongside the ocean to be enjoyed, and all the visiting with old friends one could handle in between. And for the movie fans who remember the movie *Caddyshack* from 1980 starring Bill Murray, just steps away from the host hotel was a fun-filled eatery called "Caddyshack", owned and managed by Andrew Murray, one of Bill's five brothers. So much fun and so few days! Every Grand National is special in its own way, and this one was no exception.

My most profound appreciation goes out to Len and Ben Berman, David West, David Chestnut, the members of the Florida Suncoast Region and all the others who worked so tirelessly to give us a Grand National experience we will never forget. Thank you to each and every one of you.



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Congratulations to all of the Potomac Region members listed below who received awards at the closing banquet Saturday night. Before dispersing for the evening, Chris Milici from the New England Region gave a presentation for the 2013 Grand National in Quincy, Massachusetts scheduled for July 31st - August 3rd.

The Web Site Excellence Award	Vince Taliano, Potomac Region	
The Norm Uhlir Regional Activity Award	Peach State Region, Stan Tucker, Director (Potomac Region member also)	
The Mary Lou Evans Membership Award	Doug Bailey, Peach State Region (Potomac Region member also)	
The Self-Starter Author of the Year Award V12	Bob Crimmins, Raritan River Region (Potomac Region member also)	
<u>PAST PRESIDENTS' PRESERVATION AWARDS</u>	Ronnie Hux, Avondale, Pa.	1974 Cadillac 6EL67 Fleetwood Eldorado Convertible
	Sanders Partridge, Kennesaw, Ga.	1976 Cadillac 6CD47 Coupe deVille d'Elegance
	Benjamin Berman, Sarasota, Fl.	1978 Cadillac 6KS69 Seville
<u>Senior Wreath</u> CLASS SW4: 1939–1949 CADILLAC – 1st Place	Clyde G. "Rob" Robison, Yorklyn, De.	1947 Cadillac 6267 Convertible Coupe
CLASS SW5: 1950–1976 – 1st Place	Michael A. Barruzza, Bristol, Pa.	1967 Cadillac 68367 Deville Convertible
<u>Senior</u> CLASS S8: 1950–1960 – 2nd Place	Mark E. Brodsky, Chevy Chase, Md.	1953 Cadillac 6267SX Eldorado Convertible
<u>Primary</u> CLASS P15: 1954–1956 – 3rd Place	Stanley E. Tucker, Marietta, Ga.	1956 Cadillac 6019X Fleetwood 60 Special
CLASS P20: 1963–1964 – 1st place	Martina Butler, Roswell, Ga.	1964 Cadillac 6367 Fleetwood Eldorado Convertible
CLASS P21: 1965–1966 – 3rd Place	J. Douglas Bailey, Roswell, Ga.	1966 Cadillac 68369 Sedan de Ville
CLASS P22: 1967–1970 WITHOUT ELDOS – 1st Place	Mark E. Brodsky, Chevy Chase, Md.	1968 Cadillac 68367 Deville Convertible
CLASS P24: 1971–1978 ELDORADO – 2nd Place	Ronnie Hux, Avondale, Pa.	1974 Cadillac 6EL67 Fleetwood Eldorado Convertible
CLASS P26: 1977–1984 PLUS 1976–1979 SEVILLE WITHOUT ELDOS – 3rd Place	Benjamin Berman, Sarasota, Fl.	1978 Cadillac 6KS69 Seville
<u>Touring</u> CLASS T8: 1967–1976 – 2nd place	Sanders Partridge, Kennesaw, Ga.	1976 Cadillac 6CD47 Coupe de Ville d'Elegance



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2012 CLC SUMMER BOARD MEETING STORY BY JACK MCCLOW PHOTOS BY TOM MCQUEEN

As is our tradition, we gathered on Friday morning, 8:00 AM sharp, to get started on club business under the direction of our CLC President, Dr. Lars Kneller. The prepared agenda contained approximately 36 items scheduled for discussion. With the majority of those items being covered by pre-submitted reports available for advance viewing on the special CLC Directors website, the meeting went exceptionally smoothly, and was concluded shortly after the lunch break. Following are the topics I thought might be of interest to our Potomac Region members:

- Current membership in the Cadillac and LaSalle Club is 7,172. Slightly behind last year's total of 7,237, but still a very acceptable trend considering the reports we have from other clubs similar to ours which are experiencing declining membership trends now for several years running.
- For the fiscal year ending March 31, 2012, the club experienced a "profit" of \$32,326. This compares to a "loss" of \$4,783 for the previous fiscal period. The club is in overall excellent financial shape with liquid assets of approximately \$500,000.
- ***The Self-Starter*** magazine will soon be available in an electronic format. This will be especially welcomed by all of our club's international members as they will have nearly instantaneous access to our magazine as soon as it is published.
- The board approved a proposal for a new annual dues rate tier of \$30 for those members who would prefer to receive their issues of *The Self-Starter* in electronic format only.
- Plans for the new, permanent CLC Museum and Research Center in Hickory Corners, Michigan are well underway. Everything is in order and lined up to go once a minimum amount of funding has been either actually donated to the building fund or commitments to do so have been logged. So far, approximately \$600,000 in donations and commitments have been logged. As more members make their pledges to support our new and exciting museum the board is confident the ultimate goal of \$2,000,000 will be reached. The initial building will be 9,600 square feet, with the eventual, planned additions expanding the museum to its maximum potential size of 23,000 square feet. The temporary location of our collection of cars is in a rented carriage house on the Gilmore Grounds and is home to 14 Cadillacs and LaSalles. Two more cars will be joining the collection soon.
- The third annual CLCMRC Gilmore Event will be held in early September, combining a tour of the entire facility with additional tours to local points of interest and car collections. This will be an annual event to be hosted by the CLCMRC. A registration form to attend the event will be included on the cover sheet of the July issue of ***The Self-Starter***.
- Our Chief Judge, Carl Steig, and our club's recording secretary, Toni Nabholz Huse, have completed the production of a dedicated video to assist with the training of our car show judges. Since so many judges are needed every year for the Grand National events, this new DVD should help in many ways to ease the burden on the national judging committee. This year was the first year the video was used during the judge's breakfast meeting and the reports were overwhelmingly positive by those in attendance.



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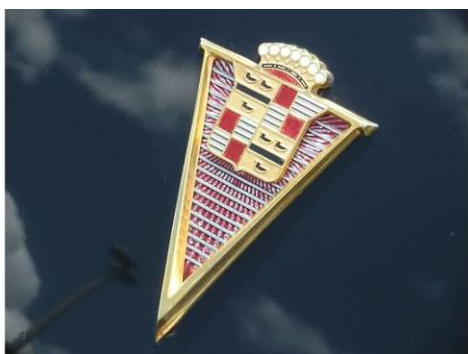
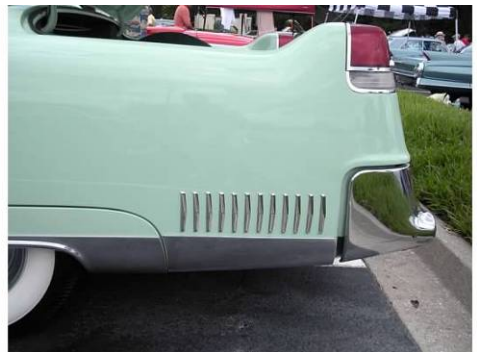
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- One new region has been granted provisional status. This is an existing group of Cadillac enthusiasts from the northern part of New Jersey who are already well established with regional events and a great newsletter. This new region will be added to the Northeastern Region under Andy Zizolfo.
- The 2012 Driving Tour will be hosted by the Las Vegas Region. It will be a hub-and-spoke tour based out of the South Point Hotel in Las Vegas. This is the same hotel that hosted the 2009 Grand National. The dates will be October 10th through the 13th. The rate will again be \$69.00 per night, with more than ample parking in the multi-story parking garage connected to the north side of the hotel.
- The 2013 Grand National will be hosted by the New England Region and will be based in Quincy, Massachusetts, a southern suburb of Boston. The dates will be July 31st through August 4th with the host hotel being the Marriott Boston Quincy. This is a beautiful hotel featuring 450 rooms with an affordable rate of \$119 per night. Reservations will be accepted starting this August 4th. Call 617-472-1000, and be sure to mention you will be attending the 2013 Cadillac Grand National to be eligible for the special rate. To learn more about this upcoming Grand National, visit www.2013GN.com.
- A northern California driving tour is scheduled for 2013. The dates will be June 3rd through June 7th with the tour covering approximately 900 miles. The tour will begin in the world famous wine country of the Napa Valley, pass through the redwood forests, then continue on up the beautiful California coast. From there the tour will continue into Oregon to the Rouge River, then on to Crater Lake National Park, home of the deepest lake in the United States. Winding back into California, the tour will follow the base of the Cascade Range, ending back in the Napa Valley. Ed Gunther and Bob Fracolli will be the tour guides, using their experience with previous driving tours to ensure everyone will have a fantastic time.
- The 2014 Grand National will be hosted by the New York Capitol District Region and will be based in the resort area of Lake George, New York. Lake George is approximately 50 miles north of Albany, and is the largest lake in the Adirondack region. The dates of the event will be July 8th through July 12th, with the host hotel being the Fort Henry Resort and Conference Center in the Lake George Village.
- No Grand National site has been confirmed for 2015 as of this time, however, the members of the Las Vegas Region have mentioned they would like to host another Grand National in the near future. The last time we had a GN in Las Vegas was 2009, and everybody who attended had a terrific time, so for those of you who love Las Vegas, start making your plans as I am sure we will be heading back out that way in either 2015 or 2016. By the end of the 2014 GN, there will have been five consecutive Grand Nationals located east of the Mississippi, so it is hoped the next region to show an interest in hosting our annual event will be on the other side of the big river for a change of scenery.



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- Lauren Schweitzer, who is one of the newly elected CLC National Board Members, and a member of the Las Vegas Region, just recently completed the Grand National Registrar duties for another CLC region while being on the other side of the country from that region. Since Lauren had been the registrar for the 2009 GN, she generously offered to lend a hand to the Florida Suncoast Region and the result was a success for all involved. So much so, the CLC board has now accepted a proposal from Marsha Redman, CLC Tours and Meets Committee Chairperson, to offer the services of a national registrar and well as other assistance to all other CLC regions considering the hosting of a Grand National. The upside to this new plan is to now make it possible for the smaller regions throughout the country to consider taking on the challenges of hosting a Grand National, knowing they will have the valuable support of national committee members who will be there to help with the process from beginning to end. Congratulations to Lauren and Marsha for making it possible for our national CLC to extend its resources to the regions that might otherwise never be in a position to host a Grand National.
- Gary Fisher is asking for everyone to begin thinking about the nominations for the 2013 service awards. With the 2013 Grand National over a year away, he would like all members of the CLC to begin to give consideration to those club members who might not be well known outside of their local regions and might be excellent candidates for any one of the national awards. Nominations should be submitted to Gary's attention no later than June 1, 2013.
- The CLC tent at the AACA Hershey car show will continue on as it has for the past many years. This year the dates for the Hershey event will be October 10th through the 13th. Volunteers are always needed to man the tent in four hour increments throughout the Hershey week. If interested in helping out in this area, please contact Rob Robison at 302-239-4096 or robscads@verizon.net.
- This being the second year of the two-year CLC Board Member cycle, Richard Sills went through the nominating process for selecting and electing the officers of the club. Being as meticulous as ever, Richard handled the entire process in a way that followed the rules of the national club to the letter in order to ensure the process was handled with the upmost of accuracy and with great attention to the details.
- At the conclusion of the Award's Banquet on Saturday evening, the newly elected CLC Board of Directors took over for the next two year cycle. Thanks to your generous votes, I will now begin to serve my third two-year term on the CLC board. On the board as a whole, out of the twenty elected positions, we now have six new members. They are **Chuck Patton, Michigan; Sue Pashukwich, Michigan; Marsha Redman, Missouri; Dave Rubin, New York; Lauren Schweitzer, Nevada and Jeff Shively, Indiana**. Congratulations to you all!!
- The upcoming 2012 winter board meeting will be held on January 12th in Westminster, Colorado, a suburb of Denver.

With all agenda items concluded the meeting was adjourned at 1:45 PM.



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CARLISLE GM NATIONALS STORY AND PHOTOS BY CHUCK PIEL



My brother David and I were looking forward to driving my wife Debbie's and my '67 DeVille Convertible up to Carlisle GM Nationals again this year, but we were disappointed that the radio installation would require a few more days. So instead we hopped in my Z-28 convertible and enjoyed a great time at Carlisle.

As with last year, the Cadillac and LaSalle sightings were somewhat slim with the exception of a plethora of CTS' and CTS V's. Once again, Michael A. Smith took **Best Cadillac** honors for his beautiful bright red 1934 LaSalle sedan (pictured left) with the CAPONE license plate.

Daniel Jobe, our fellow club member and owner of Capitol Cadillac was picked to be a celebrity judge, and he also picked the impressive red 1934 LaSalle with bi-plane bumpers as his favorite. Also represented were a '69 Calais Hardtop sedan, a '75 Sedan deVille, and several early '80's Fleetwoods (a coupe and several sedans). We also saw a nifty '68 deVille convertible with a high-riser hood and American Mags – a true hotrod Caddy.

Ironically, one of the more interesting Cadillacs we saw was on the road on our way home from Carlisle. On Rt 15 N, just south of Emmitsburg, MD, was a '56 Coupe deVille advertised for sale as follows: "Cadillac 1956 Coupe deVille, Original Car, 63K original miles, full power Windows – P.S., P.B, AT, dual exhausts, \$17,900 – (301) 447-3133"

All in all, it was a fun day for any car lover. Perhaps next year we can coordinate a larger contingent of Cadillacs from the Potomac Region and the NJ/PA based CLC regions?





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Cars For Sale

NEW ARRIVAL 1941 Convertible Sedan, model 6229, body #122 of the 400 produced – Cavern Green with a green and ivory interior and a tan top, both by Jenkins – Beautiful car with the desired standard transmission – Ready to tour – See picture at <http://www.clcpotomacregion.org/41cadillacforsale.htm> – **Asking \$89,000 obo** – For more info, contact Grace Gluck at 908-876-3565 or rggluck@aol.com – Car is located in Long Valley, NJ

1957 Fleetwood – Offered for sale by the third caring owner of this absolutely beautiful 75,000 original mile car – Second owner garage-kept the car for 32 years – Equipped with the following options: 365 V-8 engine with a Rochester four-barrel carb, power steering, power brakes, power windows, electric trunk latch, four cigarette lighters and ash trays, front and rear seat center armrests, working AM wonderbar tube radio, electric antenna (not working), A/C (needs to be recharged with R12), electric dash clock (not working) and auto high beam dimmer instrument on dash – Solid throughout – Recently re-plated rear bumper ends (rest of the bumpers are good) – Stainless steel trim is also in good condition – Repainted from the windows down 20 years ago (roof has original paint) – Needs new rubber door seals – Original owner's manual included with the original owners name on it – Cool car to drive – Turns heads the whole time – Hard to find cars like this anymore – See pictures at <http://www.clcpotomacregion.org/57cadillacforsale.htm> – **Asking a reasonable price of \$16,000** – For more info, contact Michael Ruby at 410-627-7463 or psefullrut1@comcast.net – Car is located in Westminster, MD

1959 Sixty-two 4 window Sedan DeVille – Very unique pink Cadillac that Elvis would have loved – Bucket seats with leopard design upholstery (original bench front seat included) – Side pipes and continental kit with a picture of Elvis in Hawaii; how awesome is that! – Actual mileage unknown but 390 c.i. engine was rebuilt approximately 25K miles ago – New tires – Solid body with no rust – Good chrome – Hand painted names of bands and singers from the '50s and '60s down the side of chrome and fins – Well done custom sunroof – Garage kept – Some documentation of restoration – Current owner is a Elvis Tribute Artist who purchased the car in 2005 from a well-known Cadillac collector in New Jersey after it was restored – Driven from Maryland to Memphis for Elvis week August 2010 using no oil and riding like a charm – Has won many trophies – Used to escort teens to their prom, brides and grooms to their wedding, birthday parties and parades – See pictures at <http://www.clcpotomacregion.org/59cadillacforsale.htm> – **Asking \$34,500** – For more info, contact Jim at 443-350-0277 – Car is located near Colora, MD

1970 Sedan Deville – Two-owner car (purchased from the original owner, former CLC member, in 2005) – Since then, improvements and repairs consist of new padding and upholstery of front bench; new A/C compressor unit installed; voltage regulator, alternator, muffler and horns replaced; and new stereo/CD player, front and rear speakers and satellite radio – Current mileage is 138K – Budge car cover included – See pictures at <http://www.clcpotomacregion.org/70cadillacforsale.htm> – **Asking \$4,500 obo** – For more info, contact Dan Spack at 443-895-1228 or hatsu@verizon.net – Car is located in Carney, MD

1972 Eldorado – Owned and garage kept by current owner's late father since original purchase – Excellent condition – White Fisher Body with no rust and brown interior with no cracks or tears – 150K miles – Everything works and runs great – Want to sell this car to a Caddy lover, serious inquiries only – See pictures at <http://www.clcpotomacregion.org/72cadillac2forsale.htm> – **\$10,000 or best offer** – For more info, contact Jay Manning at 202-550-6164 or jaycmanning@aol.com – Car is located in Centreville, VA

1975 Calais Hardtop – 77k miles – All original, two-owner Cadillac – Last 5 years, kept outside with cover – Interior/Exterior in very good condition – Body/panels and trim very good condition, only minor pitting on front and rear bumpers – Right quarter panel needs refinishing – Glass is show quality – Power locks and windows with working radio – See pictures at <http://www.clcpotomacregion.org/75cadillacforsale.htm> – **Asking \$6,500 or best offer** – For more info, contact Wendi Phelps at wendips@yahoo.com or 301-919-0608 – Car is located in Knoxville, MD (Washington County)

1979 Eldorado Coupe – Original Capitol Cadillac car – 32 years and hardly shows any wear – 37k original miles verifiable – All original equipment – Body in excellent condition with no dents or body damage, just a couple of dings in the doors – 350 c.i. engine runs very smooth – White leather interior in excellent condition – Tires in excellent condition – A/C will need to be converted to R34 and recharged plus needs a relay switch installed to make the blower fan work – See pictures at <http://www.clcpotomacregion.org/79cadillacforsale.htm> – **Asking \$10,000** – For more information, contact Norm Richards at 703-698-0585 or 571-419-7714 (cell) – Car is located in Fairfax, VA



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