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Congratulations to Ronnie Hux and Jason Edge who were named as the new CLC President and Executive Vice President, respectively, at the Board Meeting held during the 2022 CLC Grand



National in Lombard, IL (pictured above left to right). Ronnie and Jason have been invaluable resources to the CLC for many years. I respect what they both bring to the club and look forward to working with them in the future.

Thanks to Glenn Brown for serving as CLC President for the past four years. As is customary with outgoing presidents, a group photo of Glenn (seated) with Board Meeting attendees was taken.



A huge thank you to our Potomac Region members who made the trip to Illinois. Our Region was represented well. The next big activity will be the Annual Summer Picnic at my house on Saturday, August 6. See the flyer in this newsletter with RSVP information.

Dan Ruby



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JUNE 20, 2022 MEETING MINUTES BY DAN RUBY AND VINCE TALIANO

PLACE: Silver Diner, Merrifield, VA

TIME: 7:30 p.m.

PRESIDING: Dan Ruby, Regional Director

ATTENDEES: Nine attendees, including two officers: **Dan Ruby (Regional Director)**, **Bill Hillard (Treasurer)**, Joe Cerroni, Christopher Cummings, Jeff Gurski, Greg Huver, Tom McQueen, Dan Mullane and Scott Patton



DIRECTOR'S REMARKS: Dan Ruby thanked everyone for attending the meeting.

SECRETARY'S REMARKS: The minutes from the previous meeting were not reviewed since they were published and distributed to all members in the June 2022 newsletter.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Bill Hillard reported the financials from the previous meeting to the present. Total revenue for the period was \$803.63 and total expense was \$106.11, resulting in a net income of \$697.52.



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MEMBERSHIP REPORT: Our membership total stands at 167 members. Welcome to our newest member, Jason Cunningham of Montgomery Village, MD. He is the owner of a 1922 Cadillac Type 61 Seven-Passenger Touring car.

ACTIVITIES REPORT: The following activities were discussed:

- **Past Events:**

- **Cars-n-Coffee, Hardesty Funeral Home, Annapolis, MD, Sun, Jun 5.** A nice assortment of Cadillacs spanning the 1940s thru 2016 were on hand, along with a great variety of attendees, including members, foreign and domestic guests, and a potential new member! Thanks to Jim Govoni for hosting the event.
- **Tech Day #1, Scot Minesinger's Home, Fairfax Station, VA, Sat, Jun 11.** Due to inclement weather, the event was postponed. A rain date has not been announced yet.
- **47th Annual Father's Day Antique and Classic Car Show, Chantilly, VA, Sun, Jun 19.** Attendees shared their stories about the show, including meeting Charles Rumrill. He owns a 1939 Cadillac Series 75 and joined the CLC shortly after the event.

- **Upcoming Events:**

- **Cars-n-Coffee, TGI Fridays Restaurant, Rockville, MD, Sat, Jul 9, 9:00–11:30 a.m.** For more information, contact Christopher Winter at 410-869-8619 or cchwinter@cavtel.net.
- **Anything with Wheels Show, National Capital Trolley Museum, Colesville, MD, Sun, July 24, 11:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.** The Museum would like Potomac Region members to attend with their old car or truck for the enjoyment of the Museum goers. If interested, contact Christopher Winter at 410-869-8619 or cchwinter@cavtel.net.
- **Annual Summer Picnic, Home of Dan & JoJo Ruby, Owings, MD, Sat, Aug 6, 1:00–6:00 p.m.** See flyer in July newsletter.
- **47th Annual All-GM Show, Eagle Ridge Middle School, Ashburn, VA, Sat, Aug 13, 9:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.**
- **Second Annual CLC Northeast Inter-Regional Meet and Car Show, AACA Museum, Hershey, PA, Sat-Sun, Aug 20–21.** See flyer in July newsletter.
- **46th Edgar Rohr Memorial Antique Car Meet, Manassas (VA) Museum, Sat, Sep 17, 8:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.**
- See July newsletter or [visit website](#) for a full list of events.

NEW BUSINESS: There will be a Potomac Region Officer Election this fall. Anyone interested in learning more about it, please contact Dan Ruby.

NEXT MEETING: Our next meeting will be on Monday, July 18 at 7:30 p.m. at the IHOP Restaurant in Rockville, MD.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at approximately 8:45 p.m.



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2022 EVENTS CALENDAR

| Date | Time | Event | Location | Contact |
|----------------------|-----------------------|--|---|---|
| Jul 9 Sat | 9:00 am – 11:30 pm | Potomac Region Cars-n-Coffee | TGI Fridays Rockville, MD | Christopher Winter at 410-869-8619 or send email |
| Jul 9 Sat | 11:00 am – 3:00 pm | 17th Annual Car & Bike Show | FBGC Worship Center Upper Marlboro, MD | Visit website |
| Jul 18 Mon | 7:30 pm – 9:00 pm | Potomac Region Monthly Meeting | IHOP Restaurant Rockville, MD | Dan Ruby at 301-343-1463 or send email |
| Jul 24 Sun | 8:00 am – 3:00 pm | 18th Annual All Vehicle Show hosted by the VCCA Free State Region See flyer | Reisterstown Regional Park Reisterstown, MD | Mike Natale at 443-465-7492 or send email |
| Jul 24 Sun | 11:00 am – 3:00 pm | Anything with Wheels Show | National Capital Trolley Museum Colesville, MD | Visit website |
| Jul 27-30 Thu-Sat | | Mecum Auction <i>Discounted admission and/or bidder passes for CLC members with advance online registration</i> | Pennsylvania Farm Show Complex Harrisburg, PA | Visit website |
| Aug 6 Sat | 1:00 pm – 6:00 pm | Potomac Region Summer Picnic | Dan & JoJo Ruby's Owings, MD | Dan Ruby at 301-343-1463 or send email |
| Aug 6 Sat | 9:00 am – 3:00 pm | First Hose Company of Boonsboro Car Show | Fire Station 8 Rohrersville, MD | Jessie 240-313-5454 or Kim 240-315-1660 |
| Aug 13 Sat | 9:00 am – 11:30 pm | Potomac Region Cars-n-Coffee Visit website | National Capital Trolley Museum Colesville, MD | Christopher Winter at 410-869-8619 or send email |
| Aug 13 Sat | 9:00 am – 2:00 pm | 47th Annual Metro Chapter Buick Club/Capitol City Rockets Oldsmobile Club All-GM Show See flyer | Eagle Ridge Middle School Ashburn, VA | Joe Padavano at 703-927-9196 or send email |
| Aug 15 Mon | 7:30 pm – 9:00 pm | Potomac Region Monthly Meeting | Silver Diner Merrifield, VA | Dan Ruby at 301-343-1463 or send email |
| Aug 20-21 Sat-Sun | | Second Annual CLC Northeast Inter-Regional Meet and Car Show | AACA Museum Hershey, PA | Michael Stinson at 267-251-8588 or send email |
| Aug 26-28 Fri-Sun | | The Atlantic City Auction & Car Show | Convention Center Atlantic City, NJ | Visit website |
| Sep 10 Sat | 8:30 am – 3:00 pm | 33rd Annual All-GM Show sponsored by the Maryland Camaro Club See flyer | Walkersville Volunteer Fire Department Walkersville, MD | Visit website |
| Sep 17 Sat | 9:00 am – 11:30 pm | Potomac Region Cars-n-Coffee | TGI Fridays Rockville, MD | Christopher Winter at 410-869-8619 or send email |
| Sep 17 Sat | 11:00 am – 3:00 pm | 46th Edgar Rohr Memorial Car Meet | Manassas Museum Manassas, VA | Gene Gilkey at 703-830-5313, Randy Higgins at 703-853-2235 or Visit website |
| Sep 17 Sat | 9:00 am – 2:00 pm | 7th Annual Car Show | Emmanuel Church Huntingtown, MD | Visit website |



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|--|--|---|---|--|
| Sep 18 Sun | 9:00 am – 4:00 pm | Hagley Museum Car Show See flyer | Hagley Museum Wilmington, DE | 302-658-2400 or send email |
| Sep 19 Mon | 7:30 pm – 9:00 pm | Potomac Region Monthly Meeting | Location TBD | Dan Ruby at 301-343-1463 or send email |
| Sep 22-24 Thu-Sat | | CLCMRC Fall Festival Visit website | Gilmore Car Museum Hickory Corners, MI | Bill Anderson at 443-994-5455 or send email |
| Sep 28- Oct 2 Wed-Sun | Gates open daily at 7:00 am | Fall Carlisle | Carlisle, PA | 717-243-7855 or Visit website |
| Oct 4-7 Tue-Fri Note new days | Gates open daily at 7:00 am Car Show on Fri | AACA National Eastern Fall Meet | Giant Center and Show Grounds Hershey, PA | Visit website |
| Oct 15 Sat | 8:30 am – 3:30 pm | City of Rockville Antique and Classic Car Show Visit website | Rockville Civic Center Rockville, MD | 240-314-8620 or send email |
| Oct 16 Sun | 9:00 am – 2:00 pm | Potomac Region Cars-n-Coffee followed by Monthly Meeting | The Manor at Silo Falls Olney, MD | Dan Ruby at 301-343-1463 or send email |
| Oct 16 Sun | 9:00 am – 2:00 pm | CLC Valley Forge Region Annual Car Show co- hosted by the Lincoln and Continental Owners Club Philadelphia Region | Peddler's Village Lahaska, PA | Michael Stinson at 267-251-8588 or send email |
| Oct 20- Nov 4 Thu-Fri | | CLC National Driving Tour Visit website | Starting Location: Virginia Beach, VA | Dave Rubin at 914-980-6776 or send email |
| Nov 21 Mon | 7:30 pm – 9:00 pm | Potomac Region Monthly Meeting | Location TBD | Dan Ruby at 301-343-1463 or send email |

PHOTOS FROM 2022 CLC GRAND NATIONAL BY LYNN GARDNER AND JACK MCCLOW



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**Potomac Region Summer Picnic
in Scenic Southern Maryland
Dan & JoJo Ruby's Home
7018 Wilderness Ct.
Owings, MD 20736**

Saturday, August 6, 2022

1:00–6:00 p.m.

301-343-1463

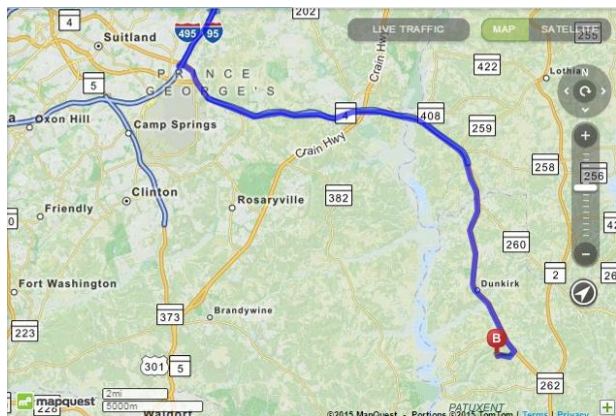
danruby@clcpotomacregion.org



Please drive your Cadillac or LaSalle to the Summer Picnic at the Ruby home. The event will be catered with the Region providing soft drinks, water, ice, serving tables, plates, cutlery, etc. If you have a favorite dessert or beverage you want to share with others, please feel free to bring it.

Also please bring your folding chair(s). There is plenty of room to park your classic Cadillac or LaSalle in the yard.

DIRECTIONS: from Capitol Beltway, I-495/I-95, take exit 11A onto MD-4 E toward Upper Marlboro. Continue 19 miles and turn right onto Briscoes Turn Rd. Make first right onto Timberneck Dr. then left on Wilderness Ct.



**Please RSVP (accepts only by
Saturday, July 30)**

No. Attending: _____ x \$10 per person = _____

Name(s): _____

Name(s): _____

Name(s): _____

Name(s): _____

**Send RSVP along with check made out to
CLC Potomac Region to:**

**Bill Hilliard, Treasurer
12602 Eldrid Ct.
Silver Spring, MD 20904-3505**

[See pictures](#) from the 2021 picnic.

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The Valley Forge, Central PA and Potomac Regions of

The Cadillac & LaSalle Club

**Cordially invite you, your family, and friends to the Second Annual
Northeast Inter-Regional Meet and Car Show at the AACA Museum, Hershey, PA
Saturday and Sunday, August 20-21, 2022**

The Valley Forge, Potomac, and Central Pennsylvania Regions of the CLC are pleased to announce the Second Annual Northeast Inter-Regional Meet and Show, where nearby CLC members can reconnect and enjoy one another's cars. [See pictures](#) from last year's event.

We will gather at the AACA Museum, Hershey, PA, on Saturday, August 20. A concession will be available from 11:30 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. to buy lunch or eat beforehand / bring your own. Unique depictions of scenes representing New York, Route 66, San Francisco and other famous American settings provide the background for 71,000 square feet of exhibit space, featuring classic and vintage cars, buses, trucks, motorcycles, and model trains. This year's special exhibit features **Orphan Cars**. You can tour the museum virtually by visiting their [website](#) and clicking on **Virtual Visits**.



The museum is open for self-guided tours on Saturday and Sunday. Due to a Mustang show taking place on Saturday, tours of the detail/maintenance shop, and storage building (Jim's Place) are not available. Visitors are welcome to stroll the grounds, admire fellow CLC members' cars, and walk around the Mustang show field. After the tours, we will travel as a group to one or two local, highly recommended restaurants for dinner. We will arrange for separate checks for each party in the group(s). Out-of-towners may reserve a hotel room for the night at one of several hotels close to the museum.

Please note there are no host hotels, room blocks or group rates for this event. AAA, AARP, or Military/Government discounts may be available. Reserve your room(s) as soon as possible, as August is peak of tourist season at Hershey. Hotels close to the Museum:

- **SpringHill Suites by Marriott Hershey:** 115 Museum Dr., Hershey, PA, 717-583-2222, [Visit website](#)
- **Quality Inn & Suites:** 181 Hershey Rd., Hershey, PA, 717-583-5151, [Visit website](#)
- **Hampton Inn & Suites Hershey:** 195 Hershey Rd., Hershey, PA, 717-566-3369, [Visit website](#)

There are also several hotels near Harrisburg (20-minute drive) that will have lower rates. Most hotels have flexible cancellation policies (e.g., one-to-three days before scheduled check-in).

Get a good night's rest so you're ready to display your Cadillac, LaSalle or other make at our peer-judged car show on Sunday, August 21 on the museum's grounds. Open to all makes & models of road-worthy cars, trucks, commercial and military vehicles, pre-war through modern. No heavily modified, customs, rods, or racers. Lightly modified vehicles that preserve factory-built appearance and features are welcome. Registration/check-in will start at 9:00 a.m.; peer judging will commence at 11:00 a.m. Presentation of awards will start at 2:30 p.m. Lunch will be available for purchase.

Register for the event by completing the form on the next page and returning it with your check made payable to VFR-CLC. Join us for an afternoon at the museum, dinner, judged show, or all three! Hurry! Pre-registration is required for museum tour & dinner and recommended for the car show. Registration closes on Friday, August 5. For more information, contact Michael Stinson, Director, VFR-CLC, at 267-251-8588 or Michael.c.stinson46@gmail.com or John Wood, Registrar, at renopa@verizon.net. Visit VFR [website](#) for more information.



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CLC Northeast Inter-Regional Meet and Car Show Registration Form Saturday and Sunday, August 20-21, 2022

Pre-registration is required for museum tour, dinner and requested for car show. Must be received by Friday, August 5. Car show registrations accepted on Sunday, August 21. Questions: Michael Stinson, 267-251-8588, Michael.c.stinson46@gmail.com.

Car Owner Name: _____ Spouse/Partner Name: _____

Children Name(s) and Age(s): _____

Guest Name(s), City/State of Each: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Other Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

CLC Member #: _____ AACA Member # (if applicable): _____ Member of AACA Museum (circle)? Y / N

Car Information:

Year: _____ Make: _____ Model: _____ Style (circle): Sedan, Coupe, Convertible, Other

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Bringing a Trailer (circle)? Y / N

Car show is open to all make and model cars, trucks, and commercial/military vehicles, pre-war to present. No heavily modified customs, rods, or racers. Lightly modified vehicles retaining features and appearance as delivered from the factory are accepted.

Activity Registration and Fees:

| Activity | Cost/ Person | No. Guests | Total |
|--|-----------------|---------------|-------|
| AACA Museum Tour: Self-guided tour of exhibits. Detail shop, storage building not open. One Discount Ticket included with registration. AACA member is free. Cost per additional guest: | \$16.00 | | \$ |
| Dinner @ nearby restaurant # of guests (separate checks for each party) | | | |
| Car Show – Early Registration (per car; must be received on/before Aug 5): | \$20.00 | | \$ |
| Car Show – Late / DoS Registration (per car; Registration rec'd after Aug 5): | \$30.00 | | \$ |
| TOTAL ENCLOSED make check Payable to <u>VFR-CLC</u>: | | | \$ |

Will you buy lunch at the Museum (circle)? Saturday: Y / N Sunday: Y / N How many persons? ____ (Count for caterer)

Nearby Hotels: there are **no host hotels, room blocks or group rates** for this event. AAA, AARP or Military/Government discounts may be available. **Reserve your room(s) as soon as possible**, as August is peak of tourist season at Hershey.

SpringHill Suites by Marriott Hershey: 115 Museum Dr., Hershey, PA, 717-583-2222, [Visit website](#); **Quality Inn & Suites:** 181 Hershey Rd., Hershey, PA, 717-583-5151, [Visit website](#) and **Hampton Inn & Suites Hershey:** 195 Hershey Rd., Hershey, PA, 717-566-3369, [Visit website](#). Check with hotels regarding their cancellation policy.

I hereby release the CLC, CLC Regions, the AACA Museum, their officers and representatives from any liability, damage or loss arising from my own, my guests' and family's participation in the 2022 CLC Northeast Inter-Regional Meet and Show, including, but not limited to, the risk of contracting COVID-19 virus. I agree to adhere to all pandemic mitigation practices in effect at the AACA Museum during this event, including wearing a mask, social distancing, and temperature / wellness checks. AACA Museum reserves the right to deny Attendees exhibiting COVID symptoms entry into the museum. I certify that I have public liability insurance for my vehicle.

Member Signature: _____ Date: _____

Mail a copy of this form along with check made payable to VFR-CLC. Include a SASE to receive confirmation.

CLC Inter-Regional Meet
C/O: John Wood
327 Bellevue Ave.
Penn del, PA 19047-5310

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ANOTHER BROTHERS ROAD TRIP BY CHUCK PIEL

As I have written previously, my younger brothers and I like to take "Brothers Road Trips" from time to time. David, who is also a car guy, and I more frequently take these trips. On the spur of the moment, after getting an invite from the local Classic Car Club of America (CCCA) chapter, we took one of our trips up to New Freedom, PA on Saturday, April 30.

This trip was to [Treasured Motorcars Services](#) (TMS). They hosted an open house to celebrate a recent addition to their facilities. We drove my '41 Cadillac convertible coupe on the trip and had a pleasant drive via the Baltimore Beltway and I-83 North for the most part. During the trip, we encountered a stretch of I-83 that had just been milled, and traffic was spewing clouds of dust. However, it was the moron driving a Charger Hellcat doing 30 mph faster than everyone else throwing up all kinds of gravel chips and debris that really got our ire. Thankfully, no damage was suffered because of that idiot.

Because the invite to this open house came via the CCCA, I expected to see a lot of classic era cars, but we were surprised that our '41 was the oldest participating car, except for a few '30s street rods. There was an eclectic mix of vehicles, spanning a nearly new McClaren (pictured right) to a '51 Plymouth resto-mod to even some motorcycles. We were parked between a 1980 Rolls-Royce Silver Shadow (last year for that model) and a 1969 MGB-GT.



We were also greeted by a familiar face. It turns out that the General Manager is Jack Anderson, a fellow member of the Vintage Chevrolet Club of America and certified auto appraiser. Jack attended one of the Capitol Cadillac car shows some years back.



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We were immediately impressed with TMS' facilities, particularly the cleanliness (pictured above). The first car we encountered was a '66 Corvette L79 with the body and engine off the frame. Jack explained this car was purchased and appeared to be rust free, but upon very close inspection, rust was found in the "bird cage" frame section which serves as the foundation for the fiberglass panels. New steel was used to repair it and the frame was completely restored, including the A.O. Smith stenciling. The numbers matching L79 engine was rebuilt and in the wrapper, awaiting installation on assembly of the car.



We also encountered a beautiful all black 1980 Ferrari 308 GTS that is regularly serviced at TMS. A lot of mechanical and cosmetic work had been done over the years. We saw a '67 Austin Healey 3000 in for general restoration work, as well as a 1949 Chrysler Town & Country convertible, a 1951 Lincoln Cosmopolitan convertible, and a 1950 Packard Victoria convertible. There was also a very original '51 Ford Woody in for some electrical work (pictured left). A 1971 'Cuda was having a complete rebuild and was awaiting metal work on the floors, eventually leading to a full bare metal repaint.



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The one CCCA car we saw, which was probably the most impressive, was a 1933 Rolls-Royce saloon with Gurney-Nutting coach work that was breathtakingly beautiful (pictured right). It is a true CCCA classic. Jack explained this car had some damage to the roof that had been repaired by another shop that didn't meet the owner's standards, so it was brought in to TMS for a redo.

Jack emphasized that TMS is a full-service shop, with a particular specialty in all kinds of mechanical work. We noticed a lot of metal fabrication machinery, so it seems they can make a lot of 'unobtainium' small parts.



After the tour, Dave and I looked at the other cars attending. Sadly, there were no Cadillacs (other than mine), but a few other cars caught my attention. One was a '51 Plymouth Concord Fastback that was a resto-mod to replicate a Mexican Road Race-era car. This car had a transplanted 331 CI DeSoto Hemi engine from the mid-fifties and was painted satin black. There is nothing like the rumble of a vintage Hemi.

Another notable car was a '58 Impala painted in a beautiful Silver Blue Metallic, a true factory date-code color. This car was the restoration product of two separate cars over a period of five years and featured the iconic three-tone upholstery and a 348 CI engine. This one was special to David and me as our grandfather received an early '58 Impala as a birthday gift from our grandmother. We had many rides with "Pop" in that car, including one to the dealership where his best friend was Jack Seymour, the owner of Seymour Chevrolet in Owings Mills MD. I know there are many fans of the "Tri-Five" Chevys of 1955-57, but my favorite is the '58.



As a motorcycle enthusiast, David was drawn to a '94 Honda VFR800 (pictured left), a bike like one owned by our youngest brother, James, back in the day. This was a street-legal racing bike, and the owner had the racing leathers to prove it.

TMS arranged for a local food truck, and the food was excellent and very reasonably priced. As things wound down, we decided to take the back roads home to avoid I-83 and more road-milling dangers. It was a great trip. We can't wait for their next open house.



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2022 NATIONAL MEMORIAL DAY PARADE BY TOM ALSOP



I had the honor to participate in the 2022 National Memorial Day Parade in Washington, D.C., along with my 1936 Cadillac Series 85 V-12 Convertible Sedan. It is a tradition carried forward from my late father, Byron Alsop. We were one of four cars, including a 1941 Series 67 Imperial Sedan, that transported World War II veterans who served as honorary grand marshals. Our veteran was 98 years old and was honored along with his wife. It was the first National Memorial Day Parade in two years and was well attended. The crowd applauded and thanked the veterans as we slowly drove by. It was a very rewarding experience.

It is about a 10-hour drive from my home in Beaufort, SC to Washington, D.C. The drive in a diesel truck pickup and trailer was exhausting, but well worth it. I was very fortunate to have two members of a local car club, Rick Larson and James Kamppi, assist with the parade preparations. They helped prepare the trailer that has been sitting for a few years and came along on the trip to Washington, D.C. Potomac Region member Bob Norrid suggested staying at the Dulles Marriott as it is one of the few hotels with ample parking for a truck and trailer measuring 58 feet. The hotel management and security were very accommodating and reserved space for us.

Watch the parade on [YouTube](#). You will see the cars starting to appear at the 8:50 mark. I hope to see more cars in the parade next year.



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CADILLACS, COFFEE, AND CRABS

STORY BY CHUCK PIEL

PICTURES BY BILL HILLIARD AND ADRIANA KANITZ DE FIGUEIREDO



One of the most fun activities my wife Debbie and I enjoy in our club are the Cars-n-Coffee events held from time to time. The most recent one occurred on Sunday, June 5, but it had an added twist.

We had the pleasure of meeting up at the Hardesty Funeral Home in Annapolis, MD on a beautiful Sunday morning courtesy of our host Jim Govoni. Jim's place of business offered a very spacious lot as well as the convenience of indoor bathrooms. Coffee, donuts, and set-ups were courtesy of Region Activities Director Christopher Winter. Joining him was Andreas Schwenk, a longtime friend visiting from Berlin, Germany.

Starting with early arrivals at 8:30 a.m., we had a very nice assortment of Cadillacs spanning the 1940s thru 2011. We also had a great variety of attendees, including members, foreign and domestic guests, and a potential new member.

Representing the 1940s was Jim Govoni's award-winning and very original 1941 Series 63 Sedan and Larry & Maia Good's pristine 1947 Series 61 Sedan. They brought a carful of guests, including Maia's sister Bieda Barbosa de Souza ("Bia") and her niece Adriana Kanitz de Figueiredo, both visiting from Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

The 1950s included a dazzling black 1956 Series 62 Convertible featuring a fabulous original red leather interior with original Roxpoint carpeting. It is owned by Jim Govoni's friend, Ron Ciuffetelli of Bowie, MD, who has a collection of cars and recently added this '56. This car brought back fond memories for me, as my first car was a black '55 Series 62 Convertible with red leather. Boy, I wish I still had that car! We're hoping Ron takes up our offer to join the CLC and the Potomac Region! We certainly look forward to seeing him and his black beauty at future events.



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The 1960s brought more ragtops, including the spectacular '64 Eldorado owned by Bill Harrison. The factory Sierra Gold Iridescent paint and coordinated original tan leather interior really make Bill's car pop. Also, from the decade was our Marina Blue '67 DeVille convertible, fresh from a recent upgrade to front disc brakes and Bill Hilliard's '69 Eldorado coupe, also fresh from the shop.



Terry Prevost, joined by his daughter, brought his 1970 DeVille convertible. Terry's triple white droptop never fails to impress. Rounding out the era was Mike Kerwin's 1976 Sedan DeVille, another triple white treasure. Mike's car is incredibly original and has the awards to go along with its pristine condition!

We didn't have any cars from the 1980s or '90s, but the 2000s were well represented by Ron Renoff's Silver 2004 XLR convertible, Harry Scott's Pearlescent 2011 DTS Platinum Sedan and Jim's funeral home's hearse, a 2016 model based off a Cadillac XTS.





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With it being such a beautiful day, the discussion turned to where we could go for brunch or an early lunch. Then, we discovered that our international guests from South America and Germany had never had the pleasure of experiencing our Chesapeake delicacy – steamed blue crabs! We couldn't allow them to visit Annapolis without this epicurean delight, so our caravan of Cadillacs departed Hardesty's for Mike's Crab House in Riva, MD, right on the South River tributary.

Fortunately, we arrived at Mike's early enough to park the behemoth Cadillacs in a row at the back of the lot. As Bia, Adriana, and Andreas enjoyed blue crabs or seafood, the restaurant rapidly filled up. We all had a great time to round out Cadillacs and Coffee with.....Crabs. Sounds like something we should do again.



Again, thanks to Jim Govoni for his hospitality, Christopher for his planning and set-ups, and all of our participants for a great time of fellowship, food, and beautiful Cadillacs.



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ANOTHER '53 ELDORADO FOR IKE: THE DEFIANCE ELDORADO BY LARRY GOOD

There is another "Eisenhower Eldorado" that nobody seems to be aware of. We all know about President Dwight Eisenhower's first inauguration parade car, Cadillac Eldorado #2. But presidents ride in many motorcades, and it stands to reason that he would get more than one chance to ride in America's top luxury car. It happened. Late in 1953 an Eldorado once again carried President Eisenhower, this time to a college ceremony in Ohio. Strangely, it's never been publicized.

On October 15, 1953, Ike visited the very small town of Defiance, OH (pop. ~12,000). The purpose was to lay the cornerstone for the Anthony Wayne Library for American Studies (now Hubbard Hall) at Defiance College (enrollment ~500). Getting a sitting U.S. president to visit here was a very big deal because the town and the college were so small. Tens of thousands of people came from the whole northwestern corner of Ohio to see Ike.

At 11:28 a.m. Eisenhower's special train arrived at the Defiance station. The reception delegation included the governor, a senator, the mayor and the college president.

Then Ike walked over to his ride fit for a king. The top car at the train station was the Cadillac Eldorado, America's most expensive production car that year. Parked right next to it was a '53 Oldsmobile Fiesta, scarcer than an Eldorado. Between the Eldorado and the Fiesta in the motorcade was a '53 Packard Caribbean, not chosen to carry the President.



At the Train: Mayor Elmer Rost, Gov. Frank Lausche, Sen. John Bricker and Defiance College President Kevin McCann greet President Dwight Eisenhower. Courtesy Defiance College Pilgrim Library Archives



**President Eisenhower departing the Defiance Train Station for the ceremony
Courtesy Defiance College Archives**

The Defiance Automobile Dealers' Association had arranged to provide forty-some cars, most of them convertibles, for the motorcade traveling a two-mile route. That seems like a staggering number if, in fact, they were all used. How did they park at either end? Traffic jams posed a potential nightmare for the Secret Service.



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**Eisenhower Next to McCann,
Eldorado Next to Fiesta**



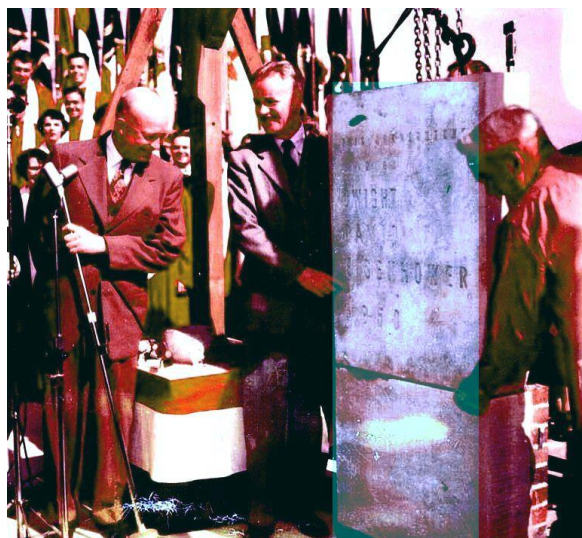
Motorcade on Clinton St.

Courtesy Defiance College Archives

On campus, Ike did his duty by speaking and setting the stone with his name on it. The college choir sang. The high school band played. What young musician would have missed that chance? Actually, the choir had already performed for Eisenhower more than once back in January in Washington at the Capitol for the inauguration and at an Eisenhower family event. So, part of the reason for Ike's visit to Defiance was a kind of payback.



**Arriving On Campus
Courtesy Defiance College Archives**



**Cornerstone Ceremony
while choir looks on
Courtesy Blaisdell Kull &
Defiance College**



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The timing was tight. The agenda called for exactly one hour in Defiance (see below).

| TIME | ACTION |
|----------------|---|
| 11:30 | President's Train arrives Defiance via B & O |
| 11:30 to 11:35 | Alight from train and enter automobiles |
| 11:35 to 11:45 | Motorcade from B & O Station to Campus |
| 11:45 to 11:50 | Leave Autos & Assemble on Speakers Platform |
| 11:50 to 11:52 | Invocation |
| 11:52 to 11:54 | Kevin McCann introduces the President |
| 11:54 to 11:55 | Applause |
| 11:55 to 12:10 | The President Speaks |
| 12:10 to 12:16 | Lay cornerstone, choir, remarks, photogs |
| 12:16 to 12:17 | Benediction |
| 12:17 to 12:20 | President moves from cornerstone to car |
| 12:20 to 12:25 | Motorcade from Campus to train |
| 12:25 to 12:30 | President and party boards train |
| 12:30 | President's Train departs Defiance via Wabash |

President's Agenda in Media Package Courtesy Defiance College Archives

In reality, Ike beat the clock. According to the Defiance Crescent-News, the special presidential train arrived at 11:28 a.m. and departed at 12:17 pm. It means that 49 minutes after he arrived, Ike got everything done and was out of there.

Press coverage of the event was curious. One journalist described the Eldorado as white, another yellow. In the photos we see, the car clearly looks Alpine White (code 27) with red and white trim (code 38). It must have been the other reporter's sunglasses.

Another curiosity surrounds the date for the event. The visit was originally scheduled for a month earlier, but Ike ditched it at the last minute. This caused Defiance College President Kevin McCann embarrassment because the community had spent a small fortune in preparation. They even lengthened the Defiance Airport runway, which the President didn't use. There are diverse explanations for the one-month delay.



**Classic Departure
Courtesy Defiance College
Archives**



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According to the famous columnist Drew Pearson, Eisenhower reneged on his promise to stop at Defiance in September on his way back from Denver, stopping in Chicago instead to pick up his grandchildren. Kevin McCann then rushed to Washington to convince Ike to come back and make good on his promise a month later.

The *Defiance Crescent-News*, however, reported that the first ever Air Force One, a Lockheed Constellation, was too heavy for the Defiance Airport runway. Its pilot, Lt. Col. William Draper, ruled out the landing. When Ike finally made the trip a month later, he arrived on a train.

The grandchildren story sounds more heartwarming, but both reasons for the September cancellation may be true. Two railroads, the B&O and the Wabash, intersected in Defiance. The Wabash ran in a straight line to Toledo. In October the President arrived on a special, nine-car, overnight B&O train and left the next hour on a Wabash train for the Toledo Airport. We have train and car pictures but no plane pictures.



**Secret Service Agent leaving fingerprints;
No concern about spectator sitting on roof of ambulance
Courtesy Defiance College Archives**



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What could possibly attract a sitting U.S. president in the first place to leave the beaten path and visit Defiance, OH? The reason was friendship. President Eisenhower and Defiance College President McCann were good friends. Before they both became presidents of anything, McCann had been on General Eisenhower's staff as a speech writer and biographer. The biography helped get Ike elected. And this visit wasn't the last. After finishing his second term, Ike went to Defiance College again but in something else. By then, 1953 Eldorados were \$500 used cars, parked out in the weather, no longer welcome in motorcades.

The downside of this story is that we don't know the body number of the Defiance Eldorado for the Eldorado registry. Even with the same color combination, this could not have been body #2 that GM provided for the January inauguration. Cadillac released #2 to the New York Branch for public sale in August, two months before the event in Defiance. The late historian Matt Larson and the #2 owner's ID card both indicated that the car was sold privately in New York, not in western Ohio. Moreover, #2 had E-Z-Eye tinted glass, but the Defiance Eldorado did not. It had to be a different Eldorado that the Defiance Automobile Dealers' Association arranged in October for Ike.

By October 15, when this event occurred in Ohio, all 532 of the 1953 Eldorados had been produced, invoiced and shipped. Therefore, this one could have been any of the other 72 that Cadillac issued with a white body and red/white trim. We need a photo editor to remove the hood from these pictures and reveal the body tag on the firewall (just kidding). Or there could be one chance in a million that members of the Northwest Ohio Region of the Cadillac & LaSalle Club might be able to trace the local Cadillac history and discover the number. There are surely some Ohio residents still living who remember this event firsthand. If we get lucky, you will see an update.

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There must be more stories out there about Eisenhower in new '53 Eldorados. He liked that car. From Australia, owner Quentin Hall writes that his Eldorado #433 may have driven Ike through Idaho when new. Send in the reports! Let's track them down.



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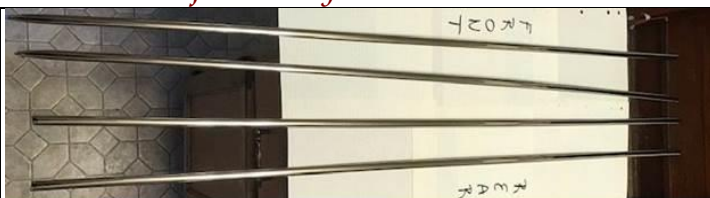
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