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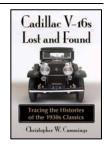
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As you can see, our space at the 2016 Washington Auto Show was ready for the show's opening on Friday, January 22nd. But then the snow arrived,



30+ inches in some areas, forcing the opening of the show to be delayed until Tuesday, January 26th. When the show did open, attendees were greeted by four classic Cadillacs on display: Charles Gillet's 1931 V-16 All-Weather Phaeton, Randy & Susan Denchfield's 1949 Series 62 Club Coupe, Mark E. Brodsky's 1966 Fleetwood Brougham and Chuck & Debbie Piel's 1967 Deville Convertible, in addition to the volunteers who staffed the area including Franklin Gage, Sandy Kemper, Arianna Tuwiner, Chuck & Debbie Piel, Sam & Karen Jackson, Dan Ruby, Harry Scott, Larry Lane, Randy & Susan Denchfield, Chris Overcash, Denise King, Bill Harrison, Mike Kerwin and others. Thanks again to Daniel Jobe for arranging a booth for us, to Franklin Gage, booth coordinator, to the volunteers who staffed the booth and to the owners of the vehicles on display.

Congratulations to Chris Cummings on being a recent presenter on the history of Cadillac V-16s at the 2016 Classic Car Club of America's Annual Meeting in Detroit, MI. In 2016, the CCCA is celebrating "Sweet 16s", the 16-cylinder automobiles that epitomize the robust engineering competition during the Full Classic® era. Thanks to Chris for providing region members a sneak preview of his material at his home a week before the present



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Happy 10th Anniversary to the CLC Potomac Region's website! Launched in February 2006, the site now averages approximately 1,500 visits per month, and includes over 3,000 pictures.



Vince Taliano





#### LETTER TO THE EDITOR

January 18, 2016

Dear Vince,



Hope you had a happy holiday season and an auspicious New Year! As Potomac is one of the closest CLC Regions, I would be most grateful if you run advance info on the 40th anniversary Professional Car Society International Meet that takes place in historic Gettysburg, PA from August 15th-20th, 2016. All the pertinent details are listed below.

**YOUR GETTYSBURG ADDRESS IN 2016** ... **The Professional Car Society** - founded in 1976 to foster the preservation, restoration and appreciation of vintage ambulances, funeral hearses, flower cars, hearse/ambulance "combinations" and livery vehicles - is holding its 2016 International Meet in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania from Monday, August 15th through Saturday, August 20th.

The PCS Tri-State, Northeast, Mid-Atlantic and Henney Chapters hosting the meet together in this historic Civil War community are planning nothing less than The Biggest-Ever PCS Meet to mark the Society's 40th anniversary! Towards that goal, standard "civilian" Cadillacs and LaSalles will be welcome at the Friday and Saturday shows.

Accessibility from all compass points is one reason why The Blue and The Gray clashed at Gettysburg back in 1863, and this attribute is still echoed in how the Wyndham Gateway Center host hotel at 95 Presidential Circle is conveniently-situated where limited-access north-south U.S. 15 crosses under the east-west Lincoln Highway (U.S. 30) that's earned lasting renown as America's first transcontinental auto route. Accommodations at a special \$109 pre-tax nightly group rate can be reserved via telephone at (717) 339-0020 or online at

www.wyndham.com/groupevents2016/MDTGE\_PCSINTERNATIONALMEET2016/main.wnt.

Attendees taking advantage of Eventbrite online registration

through <a href="www.pcsmeet.com">www.pcsmeet.com</a> also qualify for a July 1st drawing where they can win a free night at the host hotel, while our Meet-specific Facebook page at <a href="https://www.facebook.com/PCSGettysburg2016/">https://www.facebook.com/PCSGettysburg2016/</a> will offer another opportunity to win; all contestants have to do is post a short video by July 1st where they introduce themselves, detail where they're traveling from, and proudly proclaim "We are coming to Gettysburg!"



Thanks.

Gregg D. Merksamer Publicity Chair, Professional Car Society 845-986-6857 merks62@warwick.net

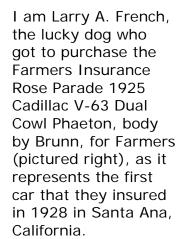




#### LETTER TO THE EDITOR

December 29, 2015

Vince,



Driving the car up onto the float in 2008 actually took almost four hours. Even though we had built the float to take the load of the car at some 5,200 plus pounds, it was a job getting it up there that I will never forget. And, backing it off was even more fun!



The history of this great car is that it is one of only two 1925 Cadillac V-63 Dual Cowl Phaetons built, but no history has ever been found on the other car. I feel that perhaps General Motors crushed the other one as our car became a believed concept vehicle as Fisher/ Fleetwood did not build a Dual Cowl Phaeton until 1927, and it was patterned after this car by the none other than Sam McLaughlin, President of GM of Canada. He took possession of this car right from the 1925 Auto Salon that was held in New York City and took it to Oshawa, Ontario and kept it there until 1953.

It appears that GM commissioned this car plus the other ghost car (we have written copies of the build assignment to Brunn and a picture of the car when new) as Lincoln, Packard, Pierce Arrow and Duesenberg were building touring and dual cowl cars and GM had nothing to fall back onto. Fast forward to 1953 and the car went to D. Cameron Peck, the one and only who is wellknown in classic car circles. There is a story regarding this change of ownership from Mr. McLaughlin to Mr. Peck but I will not bore you with those details.





As a side bar, Sam McLaughlin was the founder of the McLaughlin-Buick in Canada thus his elevation to the President of GM of Canada in 1918. He retained that position into the early '60s as he went on to live to be 100-years-old. I have a dear friend named Norm who went to his 100th Birthday Party in 1971 and was blessed to have known him. When Norm came back for a visit in 2012, I gave him a ride in the 1925 Cadillac and he was most shaken and honored to be able to ride in Sam's car.

Now back to Mr. Peck! As the story goes, the car was hidden in Florida as it is well-assumed and known that Mr. Peck and the IRS had a vast difference of opinions. Thus the car, being one of his some rumored 1,500+ in his car collection which most had to be sold to satisfy that difference of opinions, was found in the late '60's or early '70's still in Florida. It went to a private collector and then to us at Farmers Insurance.

Needless to say we are blessed that this car was one of about a 100 or so out of the whole collection that was hidden around different areas of the country that did escape the reaches of the IRS. It is a true piece of American history, as well as GM's history.

I also am a small collector with an all-original 1929 Buick Master 116, a 1948 Packard Custom 8 with 15,800 miles that was part of the collection of Tom Mix of Boston (not of the cowboy fame), a 1958 Chrysler New Yorker, a 1962 Chrysler 300h Letter car and a showroom 1973 Lincoln Continental Mark IV. Yes, they are varied, but all are 100% original as they are only new once!

I am sorry that it took some six years to contact you regarding the post on the CLC Discussion Forum at

http://forums.cadillaclasalleclub.org/index.php?topic=104160.msg125602#msg125602, but I just happened today to find the post on this car while surfing the web.

Sincerely,

Larry A. French Temecula, California







#### **2016 CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

DATE	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION	CONTACT INFORMATION
Feb 11-13 Thu-Sat		AACA Annual Meeting	Philadelphia PA	www.aaca.org
Feb 21	2:00 pm -	Potomac Region	Olive Grove Restaurant	Vince Taliano at 301-258-8321 or
Sun	4:00 pm	Monthly Meeting	Linthicum MD	vincetaliano@clcpotomacregion.org
Feb 26-28		43rd Annual Classic Car	Atlantic City NJ	G. Potter King, Inc. at
Fri-Sun		Show & Auction	Convention Center	800-227-3868 or
		10 10 100		www.acclassiccars.com
Mar 12	8:00 am –	42nd Annual AACA	Howard County	Tom Young at 443-744-6338,
Sat	3:00 pm	Chesapeake Region	Fairgrounds	tbirdtoms60@verizon.net or
		Antique Auto Parts Flea Market	West Friendship MD	<u>www.chesapeakeaaac.org</u>
Mar 21	7:30 pm –	Potomac Region	Silver Diner	Vince Taliano at 301-258-8321 or
Mon	9:00 pm	Monthly Meeting	Merrifield VA	vincetaliano@clcpotomacregion.org
Mar 25-26		46th Annual AACA Sugarloaf	Carroll County	Robert Clubb at 301-831-0300 or
Fri-Sat		Mountain Region Annual Antique	Agriculture Center	smraaca@aol.com
		Auto Parts Meet	Westminster MD	
Apr 10-16		CLC Grand National Meet Hosted	Las Vegas NV	http://www.lasvegasclc.org/grand-national/
Sun-Sat		by the Las Vegas Region		
Apr 20-24	Gates open	Spring Carlisle	Carlisle PA	717-243-7855 or www.carsatcarlisle.com
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May 1	9:00 am –	25th Annual Capitol Cadillac	Capitol Cadillac	Car Show: Dan Ruby at
Sun	3:00 pm	Spring Car Show/ Automobilia Auction	Greenbelt MD	301-343-1463 or danruby@clcpotomacregion.org Automobilia Auction: Vince Taliano at
		Auction		301-258-8321 or
				vincetaliano@clcpotomacregion.org
Jun 19	10:00 am -	43rd Annual Father's Day	Sully Plantation	Bill Worsham at 703-250-5474,
Sun	3:30 pm	Antique and Classic Car Show	Chantilly VA	billworsham@aol.com or www.gwcmodela.org
Jul 6-9	0.00 p	CLC National Driving Tour	Cromwell CT	http://www.cadillaclasalleclub.org/2016-clc-
Wed-Sat		Hosted by the Lower Hudson	Gronnwen Gr	driving-tour/
		Valley Region		
Aug 15-20		40th Anniversary	Wyndham Gateway	Gregg D. Merksamer at 845-986-6857,
Mon-Sat		Professional Car Society	Center	merks62@warwick.net or
		International Meet	Gettysburg PA	https://www.facebook.com/PCSGettysburg2016/
Sep 23-25		Cadillac Fall Festival	CLCMRC	Paul Ayres at payres@flash.net,
Fri-Sun			Hickory Corners MI	313-407-6603 or
				http://www.cadillaclasallemuseum.org/







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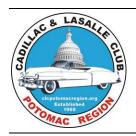
ALBERT BEHNKE'S CADILLACS STORY & PHOTOS BY STEPHANIE FLEMING, VICE PRESIDENT, THE BEHNKE NURSERIES

My grandfather, Albert Behnke, loved a lot of things: his family, his friends, his plants and his company. And, like a lot of men, he had a life-long love affair with cars. For him, it was the Cadillac. He worked hard, so every few years he would order a new Cadillac. He was able to get his first Cadillac (the Eldorado pictured right) in 1955. My Uncle Albert recalls that back in those days Cadillac was the top symbol of



success in the USA. It was the ultimate luxury car; the best made car. For a German immigrant who started with nothing, this was a big deal for him. I always remember riding in the different Cadillacs but never in something that looked this cool! Our good friend, Mr. Steinle, is the man in the suit and more than likely, the other two men pictured above were employees at the nursery.

My grandfather built the garage on the property for his pride and joy. And today it is still standing. Years after he stopped using it for his cars, it became a storage building for food for the swans and ducks along with everything my grandmother, Rose Behnke, just could not throw away. Later, it became the Woody Plant Department's office. We even for a time stored fertilizer in there. Now, it is home to Ducky Hong's Bonsai Classroom where you can learn all about growing bonsai.

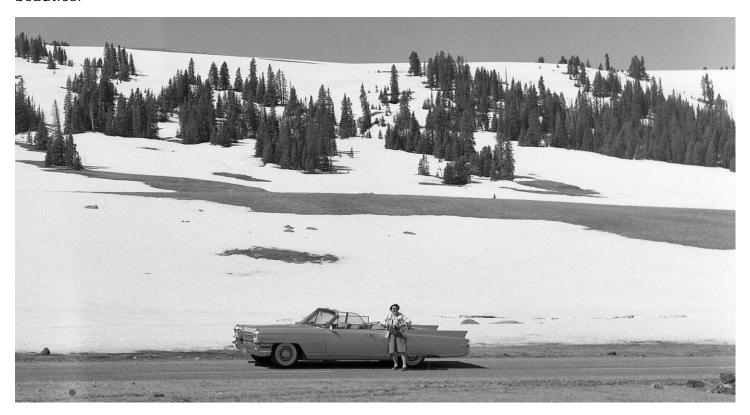




Uncle Albert also told me they always bought the Cadillacs at some place in Montgomery County near Silver Spring, MD. Dad's salesperson was usually Jim Coleman who now has various car businesses. Buying the car was always a big deal. I don't remember much discussion on how it was physically shaped – the fins etc. So the main thing was the color. Once it arrived, dad would go over it with fine tooth comb. The slightest defect had to be fixed. Probably drove the Cadillac place crazy.

My grandparents would drive their Cadillacs cross country on trips. In all the giant vacations out west, the Cadillacs never broke down totally (pictured below is my grandmother with their 1963 Eldorado on one of those trips). My grandfather would also have his Cadillac shipped back to Germany when he would go to visit.

I have so many photos my grandmother took of different cars and trucks we had over the years, but something about these two made me want to share them with you. I wish we still had those beauties.





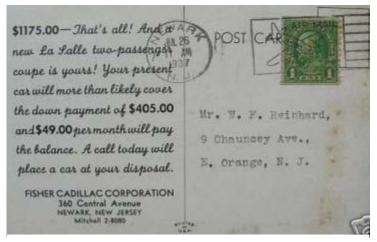
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# MY CONNECTION TO CADILLAC STARTED WITH MY GRANDFATHER BY MATT OLIVER

My interest in Cadillac history was instilled in me at a very young age in the early 1960's by my maternal Grandfather, Vincent R. Springer. His story with Cadillac starts in the 1930's when he was a Vice President of Finance for General Motors. Part of his job was to perform dealership audits on the various GM Dealerships in the East Coast region. In that position, he became close friends with Clarence E. Fisher, who owned and operated Fisher Cadillac located at 360 Central Avenue in Newark, New Jersey. At that time, GM operated Distributorships as the "middle man" between the dealer level and General Motors. Mr. Fisher operated Fisher Cadillac as a distributor, and he also owned and operated two dealerships.



You too could have owned a 1937 LaSalle for only \$405 down and \$49 per month!

In the very early '40's, Mr. Fisher passed away. There was a standing agreement that Mr. & Mrs. Fisher requested that my Grandfather act as the Executor in the event of Mr. Fisher's passing. It was also a desire of Mr. Fisher that my Grandfather carry on the business that he built. Therefore, after Mr. Fisher's death,



Vincent R. Springer Owner, Fisher Cadillac Photo by Matt Oliver

my Grandfather purchased the business. For many years, he continued to own and operate the entire operation, including the Distributorship and the two dealerships under the Fisher Cadillac name, one on Central Avenue in Newark, and one at 1 Greenwood Ave in Montclair, New Jersey, in the western suburbs of Newark.





During war time in the 1940's, with new cars unavailable, and fuel and tires strictly rationed, the dealership had to be creative to keep its business afloat. The Fisher Cadillac shop area was used for "special needs construction" for the Manhattan Project. Packages would arrive with a PO of "Manhattan". And, in May 1942, Mr. Schuyler, a Vice President of Fisher Cadillac, wrote the letter pictured at right to the owner of a well-known metal stamping company whose customers included major contributors to the war effort. The letter was apparently successful, as Fisher performed many tasks in support of the Manhattan Project and other defense efforts.

It was so interesting hearing stories from my Mother of my Grandfather's operation. With open ears and eyes I learned of the many high profile customers he dealt with, such as John Wayne, Phil Rizzuto, and even prominent crime families of New York who purchased limousines. Mom shared with us that when the "Family" set a day to pick up their new vehicle(s), the main building needed to be cleared of all employees except for my Grandfather and one clerk to "count the money" until the transaction was completed and the entourage all drove away. I recall so vividly my Mother telling us a story of my Grandfather returning from a

#### FISHER CADILLAC CORPORATION

352-360 CENTRAL AVENUE

NEWARK.N.J.

May 18, 1942

Mr. J. G. Tilp, 320 Adams St., Newark, N. J.

Dear Mr. Tilp:

The writer talked with you on the telephone last week, at which time you were kind enough to advise that if we would write you a letter putting before you what we had in mind, you would see what could be done about it. Your courtesy was appreciated.

Due to emergency conditions over which none of us has any control, our business has been very adversely affected by car, tire and gasoline restrictions. In order to keep our organization intact, we would like very much to obtain a sub-contract of some character where our services could be used to advantage.

For this purpose, we would use our used car building, located next to our main office at 360 Central Avenue. It contains approximately twelve thousand square feet, is light and airy, has an overhead garage door where a small truck could be driven in or out.

We are in a position to do precision work of not too heavy a character which might involve big machinery, welding, wiring, assemblingor anything of a similar nature.

If you are not farming out work of this kind yourself, would you be kind enough to keep us in mind so you could tip us off if you heard of anything?

Thank you for your interest.

Yours sincerely,
FISHER CADILLAC CORPORAT:

Clarence & Schurler

Vice President

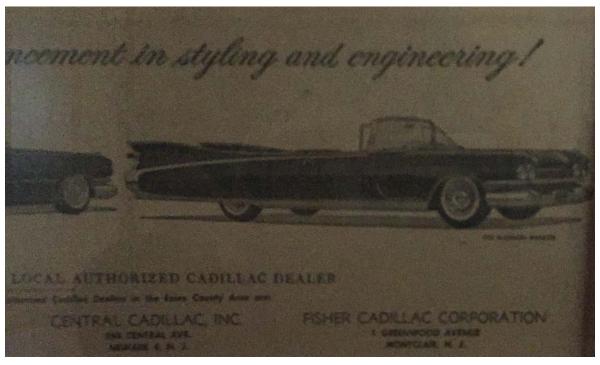
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General Motors Annual New Vehicle Rollout convention and telling his family, "Cadillac is pricing themselves right out of the market. They announced the new Fleetwood will be over \$4,000 next year." Can you imagine?





As time went on, my Mom and I chuckled when I asked if she ever worked for Grandpa. She said no. My Grandfather's policy was that in order to keep good people, he didn't want to have family employed at the dealerships. This policy kept the employees believing they had a greater chance to move up and be promoted, knowing they



A newspaper ad introducing the new 1959 Cadillac models available at Central Cadillac in Newark, NJ and Fisher Cadillac in Montclair, NJ -- local authorized Cadillac dealers! Image provided by Ralph Messina

didn't have to compete with the owner's family. In later years, Mom did eventually take a position in the office. Until then, she worked in the office at the Dodge dealer down the street.



A young Matt with Grandpa and a Cadillac! Photo by Matt Oliver

My Grandfather, however, made it a point to pick her up almost every day and go to lunch. My Mother and her sister (My Aunt) were the pride and joy of my Grandfather.

In 1958, my Grandfather decided to retire at the age of 59 after a very successful career, and sold the business. He and my Grandmother designed and built their retirement home in Western Pennsylvania. Unfortunately he passed away suddenly in 1965 when I was only six-years-old. But in that short amount of time, I spent a lot of time with Grandpa going here or there in his travels and visits. My Mother always said that Grandpa and I were inseparable. Mom told me that I was five-years-old when I drove my first Cadillac. I sat on my Grandpa's lap and helped steer as he went up his long driveway.





The pride I had in my Grandfather was next to none. Each year in his retirement he would purchase a new Cadillac Fleetwood. He would drive it for a year, then either trade up for a newer model, or give it to a close friend at a very special price deal. He was a very kind and generous man.

In 1965, months before my Grandfather passed, my Mom & Dad opened a NAPA Auto Parts Store in the same Western Pennsylvania town. It was a struggle in the beginning from the stories they shared, but a move to a location with higher visibility turned things around. In 1977, I had the choice of going to college or joining my father in the business. Due to my love for cars, I chose to join my dad. We worked side by side until 1981 when we "forced him to retire" and enjoy their summer place and do some traveling with my Mom. I took over the business and operated it until 1985, when we sold it and fulfilled our desire to relocate to Eastern Pennsylvania near the Carlisle area.

Over the years from the time I learned to drive, I was a proud owner of various Cadillacs including a 1969, 1970, 1979, 1982, 1983 and a 1984. The 1969 Cadillac was a convertible, and the 1970 was a restored car. Mom & Dad always drove Sedans or Fleetwoods up until 1987. I currently do not have any Cadillac model today but I am always looking.

Being in the Carlisle area, I now attend most of the larger Carlisle Production car shows. Along with my business partner, we have established vendor spots for the spring and fall shows, selling miscellaneous parts and memorabilia that we collect over the year. Just being among all the vehicles is a real charge for me!

These details hopefully give some insight to my connection to Cadillac. My Grandfather and my family would surely take the blame (or the credit) for my strong connection and interest in Cadillac. It is a love and connection that will never leave me.

Epilogue: Fisher Cadillac in Newark, N.J. became Central Cadillac after Matt's grandfather retired and sold the business. Today the building is vacant and for sale (pictured right). According to an article by Ted Sherman (N.J. Advance Media), the 1967 riots continued to define Newark for a long time. The city was gutted by loss of its jobs, its middle class and its neighborhoods. Before the riots, department stores clustered through the downtown, selling the latest fashions. And, there were more than a dozen new car dealerships in Newark, including the largest Cadillac dealer in the nation (Central Cadillac), which



was said to sell five percent of all Cadillacs sold in the country. One by one, the new car dealerships in Newark all closed. (Newark Star-Ledger, July 13, 1997)





#### CARPOOL DEVILLE BY DUNCAN FORSTER AND PHIL WEICKER



A pink Cadillac converted into a hot tub drives down Colorado Boulevard during the Doo Dah Parade in Pasadena, California.

November 22, 2015

Photo by Eugene Garcia, European Pressphoto Agency

It is what it looks like, if what it looks like is a nice way to take a drive in a hot tub. The dream of a fully functional hot tub wed with an appropriately modified 1969 Cadillac to achieve a thrilling, seamless marriage of two great American pastimes is made real by the Carpool DeVille.







Duncan Forster, left, and Phil Weicker came up with the idea of a tub on wheels while they were engineering students at McMaster University in Hamilton, Ontario Photo by Jane Figueiredo

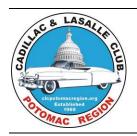
This idea originated in 1996 with a prototype built into an abandoned '82 Chevy Malibu. Concepts like marine-throttle control, heating the tub water with engine waste heat, and inverting the car's DC current to run an AC spa pump out of the trunk were all tested to a remarkable success. Meanwhile notes were taken about deficiencies in suspension and water losses due to sloshing. R&D gleaned from a decade of fix-and-fill hot-tub-car-parties with this so-called 'Carpool Mark 1' would serve well when it came time to build the next model.

In 2008, a '69 Cadillac DeVille was selected. 1969 may have been Detroit's (ahem) highwater mark for automotive design: The pinnacle of American auto-largess, when the public craved every larger cars, and those cars required ever-larger engines. This hot tub is founded on tons of steel with lots of power.

After six years of design and construction, the Carpool DeVille was ready to hit the road and the race track. In August 2014, it was loaded into a racing trailer along with a custom roll cage, making the 600-mile journey from Los Angeles to the Bonneville Salt Flats in Utah just in time to see the sanctioned annual Speed Week race canceled due to heavy rains. The Carpool's technical support team ran the car anyway, reaching 50 mph to make the unofficial record of World's Fastest Hot Tub. Not long after, Guinness World Records designed a record category called 'Fastest Motorized Hot Tub' around the standards of workmanship set by the Carpool DeVille. It has since been featured in numerous photo shoots and T.V. spots including ABC's *The Bachelorette Season 11 Premiere*. After recently adopting a disguise of pink vinyl, Carpool DeVille continues to turn up at events such as weddings and parades.



To learn more about how the car was transformed into a mobile hot tub and to see videos of it in action, visit <a href="http://www.worldsfastesthottub.com">http://www.worldsfastesthottub.com</a>.





#### PALM TREE CRUSHES CLASSIC CADILLAC STORY BY BOB PONTING

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http://fox5sandiego.com/2015/12/23/palm-tree-crushes-classic-cadillac/ DECEMBER 23, 2015



SAN DIEGO – A FOX 5 viewer woke up, turned on the news and got the shock of his life Wednesday morning. "I woke up. I turned on FOX 5 to get ready for work, and then this popped up on my screen. So I ran down," owner Adam Marshall said. "I'm pretty shocked. I'm not really sure what to do."

The sight that popped up on Marshall's screen was video of his recently purchased 1962 Cadillac Coupe de Ville. He had parked it on Fir Street, a few blocks from his home in South Park. Overnight, a tall palm tree on the other side of the street toppled and landed on his classic car, crushing the roof and the door on the driver's side. Marshall said he had purchased the beautifully restored car from a friend two months ago. Normally he parks it in front of his residence.

The palm tree also busted the rear window of a brand new BMW that was parked near it. The street was shut down for several hours while city workers cut up the tree and removed it from the roadway.





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1940 Cadillac Fleetwood Series 75 Seven-Passenger Sedan – 47k miles – 346 c.i. / 135 h.p. engine with three speed manual transmission – Excellent show car that has been well maintained – Mechanically and cosmetically sound – Current owner for over 30 years – See pictures at <a href="http://www.clcpotomacregion.org/40cadillacforsale.htm">http://www.clcpotomacregion.org/40cadillacforsale.htm</a> – Asking \$30,000 – For more info, contact Mike and Sherry at <a href="masstauffer4485@gmail.com">msstauffer4485@gmail.com</a> or 301-371-9193 – Car is located in Frederick, MD

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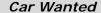
1993 Allanté – Only 53k miles – Two-owners of this Texas, no rust car – Always stored under cover – Very rare factory/dealer GOLD KEY package that accentuates the nearly perfect red paint with gold clad radiator wreath – Pininfarina script and crest on front fenders and Cadillac and Allanté script on tail lamps – Wreath and crest on center caps of chrome wheels – 295 norsepower North Star DOHC 4.6L V-8 engine runs smoothly for casual and high speed driving -Normal CD and "service ride control" problem (no, the shocks are NOT leaking)! - Beige seats are in perfect condition and it has NEW correct style carpet throughout - Upgraded air conditioner system with R134 and convertible top adjusted to original factory specs by Cadillac dealer – Recently replaced battery – Top of the dashboard has some stains from a previous a/c ssue – Tires have approximately 7,500 miles – Both rear deck boot extension caps that are used when the convertible top is down are included (often these are missing - Original owner's manual, gold keys and maintenance receipts included – Current inspection and license plate are on car – Buyer is responsible for taking delivery of the car at Spring, TX – Assistance in loading will be provided or you can hop in and happily drive it to either coast – I have two of these cars (other one is Polo Green with slightly more miles): take both and get a package deal! - See pictures at http://www.clcpotomacregion.org/93cadillac2forsale.htm - Asking \$13,500 - For more info, contact Paul Fellencer at Itc@pbfrealty.com or 281-528-6291 - Car is located in Spring, TX



1993 Allanté – Only 60k miles on this Polo Green convertible – Two-owners of this Texas, no rust car - Always stored under cover - Vogue spoke wheels with approximately 5,000 miles wear on the tires - Car performs nicely for local and high speed on the freeways - Frequently driven for commute to work, but now it is an extra car and needs an enthusiastic owner! – Has the normal CD and digital tachometer issues along with the "service ride control" message, (the shocks are NOT leaking)! - Beige seats and carpets are in good condition - Top is original and is showing wear as is the top of the dashboard – Recent work includes replacing the fuel pump, fuel filter, plugs, catalytic converter and exhaust pipe – Local Cadillac dealership upgraded the air conditioning system and replaced the heating module – Original owner's manual and original keys are included along with the receipts from original owner – Both rear deck lid boot extension caps that are used when the convertible top is down are included (often these are missing) -Current inspection and license plate are on the car – Buyer is responsible for taking delivery of the car at Spring, TX – Assistance in loading will be provided or you can hop in and happily drive t to either coast - I have two of these cars (the other is red with less miles): take both and get a package deal! - See pictures at <a href="http://www.clcpotomacregion.org/93cadillac3forsale.htm">http://www.clcpotomacregion.org/93cadillac3forsale.htm</a> Asking \$8,395 – For more info, contact Paul Fellencer at <a href="https://licephysicality.com">ltc@pbfrealty.com</a> or 281-528-6291 Car is located in Spring, TX









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