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Now available for purchase are the new CLC Potomac Region Cloisonné grille badges sponsored by Mark E. Brodsky. Made of the finest quality materials, the grille badges feature an Azure Blue 1953 Eldorado in front of the U.S. Capitol. Each grille badge comes with a mounting stud in a black gift box. They are \$50 each plus \$5 shipping. To purchase, send a check made out to the **CLC Potomac Region** to Vince Taliano - 14 Triple Crown Court - North Potomac MD 20878. Proudly display your club membership with a grille badge that reflects the quality from ***The Standard of the World!***



The Region's July meeting has been replaced with a 2017 Grand National planning meeting on Saturday, August 13th from 4:00 pm-7:00 pm at the host hotel, the Hilton in Tyson's Corner. Also, the hotel has agreed to offer rooms at \$89.00 per night to our group for Friday and Saturday if anyone would like to have a weekend getaway. To book rooms, please contact Ronnie Hux at Cadiman59@aol.com or 302-745-8850. See you there!

Vince Taliano



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JUNE 20, 2016 MEETING MINUTES BY SANDY KEMPER AND VINCE TALIANO

PLACE: IHOP Restaurant, Rockville, MD

TIME: 7:30 pm

PRESIDING: Vince Taliano

ATTENDANCE: Susan & Randy Denchfield, Jeff Gurski, Bill Hilliard, Dan Ruby, Harry Scott and Richard Sisson

DIRECTOR'S REMARKS: Vince thanked everyone for attending. The new CLC Potomac Region Cloisonné grille badges sponsored by Mark E. Brodsky were shown to the attendees. Everyone was impressed with the quality of the badges.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: The Minutes from the May 2016 meeting were not read since they were published and distributed to all members in the June 2016 newsletter.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The Treasurer's Report covered the time period from the May meeting to date. The Region's income was \$20.19. The total expenses for the same time period were \$324.63.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: Our current 2016 membership total is 188 members. Welcome to our newest member: William Bowman of Washington, DC.

ACTIVITIES REPORT: The following activities were discussed:

1. Recent Events:

- **"Eyes on Design" Concours Car Show, Edsel & Eleanor Ford Estate, Grosse Pointe, MI, Sun, Jun 19.** Susan & Randy Denchfield's 1949 Club Coupe was selected to participate. The event benefits the Henry Ford Health System's Detroit Institute of Ophthalmology, especially the visually-impaired. A group of visually-impaired attendees (The "Visionaries") were asked to judge the Streamliners Class based on feeling the contours of the vehicles. The Denchfields, who drove their '49 to Michigan, received the award for this class – "The Bridgestone Visionaries Award". The deciding factor was when the judges felt how the taillight is lifted on the Club Coupe to fill the car with gas!
- **43rd Annual Sully Plantation Father's Day Car Show, Chantilly, VA, Sun, Jun 19.** Scot Minesinger organized the judging efforts for cars in the Cadillac and LaSalle class. Approximately 12 Cadillacs were on display with two pre-registered for judging. First place went to Jerry Rij for his black 1990 Brougham with optional 5.7-liter engine, black top and tan leather interior. Second place went to Bob Brown's red 1959 red Series 62 convertible with red and white interior. Both cars are beautifully maintained.





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2. Upcoming PR Events:

- **Annual Picnic.** Dan & JoJo Ruby will host the club's annual picnic at their home in Owings, Maryland on Saturday, August 20. The picnic will replace the August region meeting. We have arranged for Red Hot & Blue BBQ to provide the food, except that club members may bring desserts. Everyone may bring their cars too; there is plenty of parking. It is really important, though, that attendees provide Dan with a RSVP.
- **Annual Fall Show, Capitol Cadillac, Greenbelt, MD.** The date selected for the Fall Show is Sunday, October 23rd. The theme of the show will be the **75th Anniversary of the 1941 Cadillac**. In the coming months, appeals will be made to owners of 1941 Cadillacs throughout the Mid-Atlantic States to participate in the show.

3. Other Upcoming Events: The following events were mentioned:

- **CLC National Driving Tour, Hosted by the Lower Hudson Valley Region, Cromwell, CT, Wed-Sat, Jul 6-9.**
- **10th Annual CLC Inter-Regional Meet, AACA Museum, Hershey, PA, Sat, Jul 16, 9:00 am-3:00 pm.**
- **42nd Annual Metro Chapter Buick Club All-GM Show, Montgomery College, Rockville, MD, Sat, Aug 13, 10:00 am-3:00 pm.**

To view more events, visit <http://www.clcpotomacregion.org/eventslisting.htm>.

GRAND NATIONAL 2017:

- In preparation for the 2017 CLC Grand National, a day-long Judges' Training Workshop for the Northeastern and Southeastern Regions will be held on Saturday, August 6th in Wilmington, Delaware. The event is being sponsored by the CLC Valley Forge Region. For more information, including how to register (class is limited to 50 attendees), see flyer in the July newsletter.
- Ronnie Hux has scheduled a Grand National Planning Meeting for Saturday, August 13th at the host hotel (Hilton Tysons). The meeting will be held from 4:00 pm-7:00 pm after the All-GM Show at Montgomery College Rockville. Also, the hotel has agreed to offer rooms at \$89.00 per night to our group for Friday and Saturday if anyone would like to have a weekend getaway. To book rooms, please contact Ronnie at Cadiman59@aol.com or 302-745-8850.
- As we announced at the last meeting, patches featuring the 2017 Grand National logo are available for purchase at \$6.50 (including shipping). Contact Scot Minesinger for more information.

NEXT MEETING: Saturday, August 13th at the 2017 Grand National Host Hotel (Hilton Tysons), 4:00 pm-7:00 pm

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.



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2016 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DATE	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION	CONTACT INFORMATION
Jul 6-9 Wed-Sat		CLC National Driving Tour Hosted by the Lower Hudson Valley Region	Cromwell CT	http://www.cadillaclasalleclub.org/2016-clc-driving-tour/
Jul 16 Sat	9:00 am – 3:00 pm	10th Annual CLC Inter-Regional Meet	AACA Museum Hershey PA	Dick Parsons at 717-653-6393 or rparsons@comcast.net
Jul 22-24 Fri-Sun		Classic Car Show Weekend	The Tides Irvington VA	Jack Ashburn at jbashburn@verizon.net or 804-438-4489
Jul 24 Sun	10:00 am – 3:00 pm	13th Annual VCCA Free State Region's Annual Car & Truck Show	Meadowood Regional Park Lutherville MD	Bill at 410-527-0953 or grand1917@comcast.net
Aug 6 Sat	9:00 am – 3:00 pm	CLC Judges' Training Workshop	Double Tree Hilton Wilmington DE	William C. "Bill" Anderson, P.E., CLC Chief Judge, at 443-994-5455 or Rivrsgr8@aol.com
Aug 6 Sat	11:00 am – 4:00 pm	5th Annual Annapolis Car Show	Koons Ford Lincoln of Annapolis Annapolis MD	http://theannapolisrshow.com/ or 410-693-SHOW
Aug 13 Sat	10:00 am – 3:00 pm	42nd Annual Metro Chapter Buick Club All-GM Show	Montgomery College Rockville MD	Cory Correll at 240-686-0229 or corydraw@gmail.com
Aug 13 Sat	4:00 pm – 7:00 pm	2017 Grand National Planning Meeting	Hilton McLean Tyson's Corner VA	Ronnie Hux at Cadiman59@aol.com or 302-745-8850
Aug 15-20 Mon-Sat		40th Anniversary Professional Car Society International Meet	Wyndham Gateway Center Gettysburg PA	Gregg D. Merksamer at 845-986-6857, merks62@warwick.net or https://www.facebook.com/PCSGettysburg2016/
Aug 20 Sat Rain Date Aug 21 Sun	2:00 pm – ??????	Potomac Region Summer Picnic	Dan & JoJo Ruby's Owings MD	Dan Ruby at 301-343-1463 danruby@clcpotomacregion.org
Aug 25-27 Fri-Sun		Allante/XLR Invitational	Double Tree by Hilton Grand Rapids MI	Denny at 616-399-6969 or denny477@charter.net or Steve at stevegarrity@att.net
Sep 10 Sat	9:00 am – 3:00 pm	20th Annual CLC Hampton Roads Region Car Show	Suttle Motors Newport News VA	James Gregg at 757-489-8968 or http://hamptonroadsvaclc.org/
Sep 11 Sun	8:30 am – 3:00 pm	Fall Car Show Hosted by the Royal GTOs	American Legion Post 223 Sykesville MD	Bill Sandusky at 301-801-7519
Sep 17 Sat	10:00 am – 3:00 pm	41st Annual Edgar Rohr Memorial Antique Car Meet	Manassas Museum Manassas VA	Darryll Baker at 571-294-7853 or darryllbaker@aol.com
Sep 18 Sun	10:00 am – 4:00 pm	24th Annual Alzheimer's Association Benefit Car & Truck Show	MVA Frederick MD	Ed at 301-514-2207, Butch at 301-514-8267 or hmccc@comcast.net or www.HMCCC.50G.com
Sep 18 Sun	9:00 am – 3:00 pm	7th Annual CLC Raritan River Region Car Show	Gold Coast Cadillac Oakhurst NJ	Doug Lansing at 609-466-0687 or Doug.Lansing@Verizon.net
Sep 23-25 Fri-Sun		Cadillac Fall Festival	CLCMRC Hickory Corners MI	Paul Ayres at payres@flash.net , 313-407-6603 or http://www.cadillacsallemuseum.org/
Sep 26 Mon	7:30 pm – 9:30 pm	Potomac Region Monthly Meeting	Capitol Cadillac Greenbelt MD	Vince Taliano at 301-258-8321 or vincetaliano@clcpotomacregion.org
Sep 28-Oct 2 Thu-Sun	Gates open daily at 7:00 am	Fall Carlisle & Auction	Carlisle PA	717-243-7855 or www.carsatcarlisle.com
Oct 5-8 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 15 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 17 Mon	7:30 pm – 9:30 pm	Potomac Region Monthly Meeting	Silver Diner Merrifield VA	Vince Taliano at 301-258-8321 or vincetaliano@clcpotomacregion.org
Oct 23 Sun	9:00 am – 3:00 pm	Annual Capitol Cadillac Fall Car Show "75th Anniversary of the 1941 Cadillac"	Capitol Cadillac Greenbelt MD	Dan Ruby at 301-343-1463 danruby@clcpotomacregion.org



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CLC JUDGES' TRAINING WORKSHOP - AUGUST 6, 2016 BY WILLIAM C. "BILL" ANDERSON, P.E., CHIEF JUDGE

A day-long Judges' Workshop for the Northeastern and Southeastern Regions will be held in Wilmington, Delaware and is sponsored by the Valley Forge Region. **Although conducted for those Regions, any CLC member is welcome to register.**

WHAT IS A CLC JUDGE'S TRAINING WORKSHOP?

It is seven hours of training, including classroom instruction and the actual judging of cars.

Classroom Instruction will cover:

- Entrant and Judge responsibilities
- Judging procedures now being used
- Judging procedures that will apply in 2017 and after – new 560 point system

Each participant must complete a written examination at the close of the classroom instruction.

Practice Judging will enable all participants to individually judge a representative Cadillac.

Additionally, a new car will be used to illustrate the standard on which all judging is based.

Critiques of the judging will occur throughout the afternoon by CLC Chief Judge Anderson.

JUDGE'S RECOGNITION PROGRAM

All participants will be awarded points as part of the CLC Judges' Recognition Program (see the *CLC 2016 International Membership Directory* (page 83) for details.

Those completing the course and passing the written examination will receive four points. Those completing the course will receive three points.

DETAILS

WHEN: Saturday; August 6, 2016; 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

WHERE: DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Wilmington, 4727 Concord Pike, Wilmington, DE 19803
Phone 302-478-6000

Cadillac room rate is \$121/night plus tax

COST: \$49.50/person to cover cost of lunch, refreshments, & judging materials

PARTICIPANTS: Minimum 25; Maximum 50 (if 25 don't sign up, the workshop may be canceled)
In the event of cancelation, the fee will be refunded
Maximum limited by date registration forms are received

DEADLINE: All registrations must be received by July 30, 2016

REGISTRATION: Use form on next page.

TRANSPORTATION: Philadelphia Airport to Hotel–**arrange in advance**–Ronnie Hux at 302-745-8850



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Regional Judge's Training Workshop – Northeastern and Southeastern Regions Registration Form

Minimum of 25 registrants (if not 25, workshop may be cancelled)

Maximum of 50 registrants (date of receipt controls)

QUESTIONS: William C. "Bill" Anderson, P.E., Chief Judge 443-994-5455 or Rivsrg8@aol.com

DATE: Saturday, August 6, 2016

TIME: 9:00 am to 5:00 pm (workshop will start with classroom session 9:00 am to noon. Lunch Included. Practice judging 1:00 to 5:00 pm.)

FEES: \$49.50/person; checks made payable to CLC; note "Judges Training Workshop" or call CLC office if paying by credit card. Fee pays for lunch, refreshments and judging materials

LOCATION: DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Wilmington, 4727 Concord Pike, Wilmington, DE 19803
Phone 302-478-6000 Cadillac room rate is \$121/night plus tax

TRANSPORTATION: Philadelphia Airport to Hotel—**arrange in advance**—Ronnie Hux at 302-745-8850

HOST REGION: Valley Forge Region, Ronnie Hux, Director

Name _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Address _____

City _____ **State** _____ **Zip** _____

Judging Experience:

CLC ☐ Yes ☐ No; If Yes, how many times_____

AACA ☐ Yes ☐ No; If Yes, how many times_____

CCCA ☐ Yes ☐ No; If Yes, how many times_____

BCA ☐ Yes ☐ No; If Yes, how many times_____

NCRS ☐ Yes ☐ No; If Yes, how many times_____

Other Marque (insert name) _____ How many times_____

Submit this registration form by July 30, 2016. Registration **must be received** by that date.

Send completed form and payment (checks made payable to CLC) to:
William C. Anderson, 2198 Johns Hopkins Road, Gambrills, MD 21054.

Thank you for registering!

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www.clcpotomacregion.org



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Potomac Region Summer Picnic in Scenic Southern Maryland

**Dan & JoJo Ruby's Home
7018 Wilderness Ct
Owings, MD 20736**

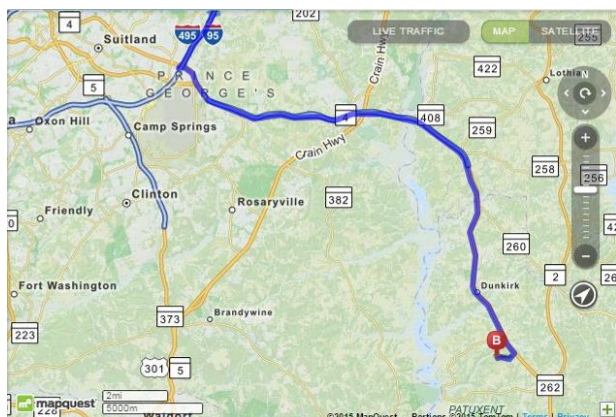
**Saturday, August 20, 2016
2:00 pm till
Rain Date Sunday, August 21st
301-343-1463
danruby@clcpotomacregion.org**



Please drive your Cadillac or LaSalle to the Summer Picnic at the Ruby home. **Red, Hot & Blue** BBQ and sides will be provided to attendees. The club will provide soft drinks, water, ice, serving tables, plates, cutlery, etc. If you have a favorite dessert or beverage you want to share with others, please bring with you. **RSVP to Dan by August 13th.**

Also please bring folding chairs to sit on. 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.





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THE 12TH ANNUAL NATIONAL MEMORIAL DAY PARADE
<http://www.americanveteranscenter.org/avc-events/parade/>
MAY 30, 2016





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**MUHAMMAD ALI
1942-2016**



*Muhammad Ali, then Cassius Clay (right), shows off a new pink Cadillac to his mother Odessa Clay (left). He bought the automobile for his parents following his first professional fight in 1960.
// Credit: Jean A. Baron, The Courier-Journal, USA TODAY Sports*



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THE 20TH ANNUAL GREENWICH CONCOURS D'ELEGANCE STORY AND PHOTOS BY RICK MENZ JUNE 4, 2016



I was happy to have received a letter of acceptance to the 20th Annual Greenwich Concours D'elegance for my 1959 Series 62 Convertible (pictured top left). My car was placed near the Cadillac tent where a few of the new models were on display. All in all, the event featured over 100 cars per day at the two day (national and International) event.



Unlike a CLC Grand National or an AACA Grand National that scores on points, at this Concours the cars were judged on the judges personal preferences. A 1957 Eldorado Biarritz won the "Blue Ribbon" for my car's class (pictured second left). It was absolutely beautiful in all respects. The car appears to be owned by a CLC member, I think from New York State. A 1958 Eldorado Seville (pictured third left) owned by Cadillac Parts & Restoration (CPR) captured the "Blue Ribbon" for closed vehicles in its class. It was also beautifully restored.



Wayne Carini from the **Chasing Classic Cars** TV show was an honorary judge. He drove his original 1921 Stutz (pictured bottom left) and had a few of his cars at the show. The Best in Show – American was the 1932 Studebaker President Convertible Sedan of George A. Vassos (pictured below middle).

The weather turned out beautifully. We all had a great time.





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2016 CLC VALLEY FORGE REGION SPRING CAR SHOW AT DELAWARE CADILLAC

STORY AND PHOTOS BY LYNN GARDNER

JUNE 11, 2016

The CLC Valley Forge Region's car show at Delaware Cadillac in Wilmington on Saturday, June 11th was well attended and offered a broad range of Cadillac and LaSalle models for the exhibitors and spectators to enjoy. Since 1916, Delaware Cadillac has been serving the motoring needs of its clients from the same location on Pennsylvania Avenue in Wilmington. Congratulations on their 100 year anniversary! Mike Uffner, owner of Delaware Cadillac, was an outstanding host of this event and provided an outstanding venue for CLC members, his customers, his employees and the general public to enjoy the show.

Outstanding weather was the call of the day with not a sign of rain resulting in a well-represented turn out. The earliest cars driven to the show included Rob Robison's 1947 Convertible Coupe and Bud Coleman's 1940 LaSalle. There were multiple convertibles including Dan Ganovsky's and Dan McGettigan's beautiful 1959s to Rob Newbrough's and Joe Caristo's 1976s.

In addition, Steve Maconi drove his custom 1955 Coupe de Ville to the show in all its blazing red. There were two LaSalle's in attendance as well as a half dozen Allantés. One Allanté was one-of-one special order car factory painted Ferrari Racing Yellow. Also in attendance was Earl Rutter's special order 1974 Fleetwood Talisman sold new at Delaware Cadillac 42 years ago. Not to be out done, in the show room a new 2017 XT5 and the new flagship of the Cadillac fleet, the CT6, graced the sales floor. Below is a list of the owners whose cars won awards.

Class	First Place	Second Place	Third Place
1950 to 1959	1955 Coupe de Ville Steve Maconi	1953 6219 Sedan Cliff Woodbury	1959 Convertible Coupe Dan Ganovsky
1960 to 1969	1967 Deville Convertible Craig Perrotty	1960 Fleetwood 60 Special Mike Lizzio	1962 Sedan de Ville Tom Pollutri
1970 to 1979 Eldorado	1976 Eldorado Convertible Rob Newbrough	1975 Eldorado Convertible Dana Mulvany	
1970 to 1979 (w/o Eldorado)	1974 Fleetwood Talisman Earl Rutter	1975 Sedan de Ville Lynn W Gardner 1976 Fleetwood 75 Limousine Bill Smith	1973 Coupe de Ville Jason Longo
1980 and up	1990 Fleetwood Robert Neissen	1980 Fleetwood Frank Perch	1980 S & S Hearse Gerald Carroll
Allantés	1993 Allanté Gerald Aquilina 1990 Allanté David Threadgill	1987 Allanté Rich Bernardo 1992 Allanté John Monzo	1988 Allanté Len Hook



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Best of Show (Early)	1967 Deville Convertible Craig Perrotty
Best of Show (Late)	1990 Fleetwood Robert Neissen
Best of Show - Emeritus Cars (Early)	1942 Imperial Sedan Jeff Hansen
Best of Show - Emeritus Cars (Late)	1967 Deville Convertible Mike Barruzza
Dealer's Choice Award	1955 Coupe de Ville Steve Maconi



To see more pictures, visit <http://www.clcpotomacregion.org/2016delawarecadillacarshow.htm>.



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EYESON DESIGN 2016 STORY AND PHOTOS BY SUSAN DENCHFIELD

Several months ago we received an intriguing invitation to bring our 1949 Club Coupe to the EyesOn Design Car Show at the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House in Grosse Pointe Shores, Michigan. This is an annual Father's Day show that benefits the Detroit Institute of Ophthalmology. **Cherryette**, as we affectionately refer to her, was asked to join the class of "Streamliners by Design". Next we learned that this class had the distinction that it would be judged by "Visionaries" – visually impaired judges. Wow – but how?!! We had lots more to learn.



Since trailering is not among our favorite things to do and since actually driving is, Randy got to work making sure that **Cherryette** was ready for the road. We decided to take a couple of days to drive out to Michigan. We pressed through huge thunderstorms on our first day and spent the night in Wilmot, Ohio at the Inn at Amish Door. (This is a jewel of a stopover on US Route 250.) The weather for the rest of the weekend was dry and lovely and hot!

We arrived in Motor City the next afternoon. We soon found our way to another annual car event taking place near-by, the Eastpointe Gratiot Cruise which might be described as a "mini" Woodward Avenue Cruise. Motor City is aptly named – people here are completely car-crazy! They LOVE their vehicles – all sorts of motorized machines with 2, 3, 4 or more wheels could be found. This affair had been going on all week with one day left for the big parade on Saturday. Returning for the parade, we were treated to even more of variety of things on wheels.

We reluctantly left the Saturday festivities and returned to the hotel to bring **Cherryette** to her full glory. Randy spent a lot of time removing bugs and remnants of the thunderstorms from her. I concentrated on the windows and interior. Many others in the parking lot were scrubbing away. A small group stopped to watch us. Randy said to one of them that he thought maybe he had met him before. The man said, "No, but you have seen me on TV!" He was Steve Plunkett of Fleetwood Country Cruise-in in London, Ontario. This turned into an enjoyable evening, swapping car stories over dinner. Steve had brought his 1934 Cadillac Model 452 Victoria. He regaled us with his plans to see and possibly bring home "The Duchess" – the 1941 Cadillac that was built for The Duke and Duchess of Windsor- Edward and Wallis.



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The next morning we drove to the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House on Lake St. Clair in Grosse Pointe. Our host for our class, Bill Schultz and his wife Rita, met us and we placed **Cherryette** among the other Streamliners – all fast backs including a lovely 1939 Lincoln Zephyr, an all original 1941 Buick Sedanette, a 1936 DeSoto Airflow and lots of others, as well as the only Hoffman, an adorable little 1935 rear-engine sedan built as a prototype.



The Visionaries soon appeared with their white silk gloves, ready to judge. We watched in fascination as they carefully caressed the cars. They were accompanied by a car designer leader who gave them a great deal of information about each car.

The show program states, "Having a group of visually impaired persons judging at EyesOn Design makes our show unique and underlines for the general public what this car show is all about."

When they reached **Cherryette**, Randy "showed" them the tail light gas cap cover and had each one feel it. Their leader told them all about the P-38 fighter plane whose dual fuselage inspired the fins for this car. They asked questions and laughed at Randy's stories.



Later in the afternoon after we had made the rounds to see all the magnificent cars and the Ford mansion we returned to find **Cherryette** bedecked with a gold ribbon. Rita came running over to tell us that **Cherryette** had won the hearts of the Visionaries and had won the coveted Bridgestone Visionaries Award. We were THRILLED! The owners of the 1947 Chevrolet parked next to us confided to me that they KNEW it was all over for them when Randy opened the tail light up. The Visionaries were really taken by that feature!

We are so grateful to Richard Sills who told Bill Schultz about **Cherryette** and referred him to the CLC Potomac Region website where there are pictures of her on display at the 2016 Washington Auto Show. She is one of our very favorite cars. We have tons of memories of road trips in her packed full of kids and the dog off to Rhode Island, Detroit or Massachusetts. She got us there and back, as always, in grand style.



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NEWS FROM THE CHIEF JUDGE PENSKE'S "UNFAIR ADVANTAGE" - CLC JUDGING 2017 BY WILLIAM C. "BILL" ANDERSON, P.E.

My brief foray in the Sports Car Club of America (SCCA) sports car racing from 1969 to 1972 coincided with the hey-day of the Trans-Am Series that saw all the major car manufacturers competing hammer and tong to be top dog in the unlimited cars of the Can-Am series. It was during this time period that the label "unfair advantage" was affixed to Roger Penske and the cars he fielded; cars developed and driven for the most part by Mark Donohue. In 1968, the Penske/Donohue combo won most every Trans-Am race with a Camaro. The team won the series championship again in 1972, this time with an AMC Javelin. In 1972, with unlimited Porsche money, their Porsche 917 devastated the Can-Am competition. If that was not enough, Penske/Donohue also won the 1972 Indy 500.



All that success had many in each series complaining about Penske's "unfair advantage". I had a chance to see the "unfair advantage" in person and up close. While Penske had access to resources, back then he was not the billionaire he is today, and many of his competitors spent more money. Penske's "unfair advantage" was really simple and available to all. It combined comprehensive research, thorough preparation, across the board professional appearance – cars, personnel, and equipment – and attention-to-detail; all of which required hard work.

What does Penske's "unfair advantage" have to do with CLC judging in 2017? Penske was a careful reader of the rules in every type of race in which he competed and kept up-to-date with the many changes as they occurred. There are many changes in CLC Judging Rules that will first apply at the 2017 Grand National in Northern Virginia. Highlights of these changes are listed below.

There will be no Senior Division or Senior Classes in 2017. Cars that have received a Senior or higher award in prior events will be judged with the cars in the Primary Division using the Primary Division Classes. But, there will be Senior, Senior Wreath, and Senior Crown awards. The Primary Division remains for 1999 and older cars. (Starting in 2020, the threshold for the Primary Division will change to 20 model years old, so a 2000 Cadillac will be eligible for the Primary Division in 2020.)

The Classes used in the Touring Division will be the same as the Primary Division Classes; the current Touring Divisions Classes have been abolished for 2017. Cars 10 years old and older (2007 in 2017) can be entered in competition for Touring Awards.

The Judging Form has been increased in the number of items scored. This will permit more accurate judging. One Judging Form will be used for cars 1903 to 1966 and another for cars manufactured and assembled after 1966. The new forms have about 560 points compared with the 200-point form now in use. Although there are many more points, the scores used to award prizes will remain based on the current 100-point scale. Currently, the final score is determined by dividing the points deducted by 2 and subtracting that number from 100. With the new form, the final score will be divided by about 5.6 and then subtracting that number from 100.



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The current score requirements for first, second and third place trophies in the Touring Division remain the same as existing program. However, any car meeting the score requirements will be awarded the prize earned, even if multiple cars earn the same award.

The prizes and associated scores in the Primary Division are: Senior Crown – 99 to 100 points; Senior Wreath – 97 to 98.99 points; Senior – 95 to 96.99 points; First Place – 90 to 94.99 points; Second Place – 80 to 89.99 points; Third Place – 70 to 79.99 points. A car achieving any of the Senior prizes can do so on its first showing. And, like the Touring Division, any car meeting the score requirements will be awarded the prize earned, even if multiple cars earn the same award.

A new Division, Special & Unique Cars, has been created for cars like the 1953 Cadillac Elegante and other specialty cars. I will provide a complete list of the Classes and cars included in this Division later. The important point for this Division is that the car owner/entrant must supply a complete list and description of all the unique features of the car as part of the car's entry. The owner-supplied information will supplement that contained in CLC records. These features will be used when assessing authenticity of the car's components during judging.

Modified cars will be judged. There are four classes: Hot Rod, Restomod, Mild Custom and Radical Custom. I will supply more details on the procedures used to enter, judge, and award prizes to such cars in a later column.

There is no change to Preservation Division Rules. Cars may be entered in one of the other Divisions as well as in the Preservation Division.

All cars entered in a Grand National or other CLC judged event, either judged or display only, must meet the four following rules:

- CLC Membership – The car owner must be a current CLC member.
- Confirmation of Entry – This document, issued by the car registrar, must be presented at registration.
- Proof of Insurance – A currently valid insurance certificate or similar document establishing that the car to be shown is insured must be presented at registration.
- Fire Extinguisher – A UL approved fire extinguisher, at least 2.5 pounds, must be placed alongside the left front wheel. This standardized position assures that it can be readily retrieved in an emergency.

The Judging Committee is working to complete preparation of a new CLC Judging Manual. It is planned to have this document completed and published by the late fall of 2016 so that all potential entrants can have time to prepare for the 2017 GN and Fall Festival. If you have any questions about any of the new judging rules before the new Judging Manual is published, you are welcome to contact me at 443-994-5455 or Rivsgr8@aol.com.



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STONEWALL CADILLAC TURNS 47

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**The Stonewall Cadillac leading the New York City Gay Pride Parade
June 2003**

Photo courtesy of the STONEWALL Veterans' Association (SVA)

On Friday, June 27, 1969 at about 1 a.m., a routine police raid on the Stonewall Inn, a club in New York City known for its Gay clientele, touched off the not-so-routine Stonewall Rebellion, a series of demonstrations that are frequently cited as the start of the Gay Rights Movement in the United States and around the world. A 1969 Cadillac de Ville convertible had been parked with its top down, as usual, on the same block of the Stonewall Inn on Christopher Street -- only a stone's throw from the club's entrance -- by its owner Williamson Henderson. It was spared any damage in the chaos that followed. Once the rebellion was over, Henderson, who was at the forefront of the rebellion, was arrested and had his car impounded. The Cadillac was driven (not towed, as many think) by two plainclothes NYPD police officers to the old Sixth Precinct on Charles Street near the Hudson River in Greenwich Village. Despite the civil unrest, the car did not suffer any damage. In reality, there were no insurance claims filed by anyone for anything - not even a car scratch.



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Two days later, the car was released back to Williamson Henderson, who regularly drove it down the full length of Christopher Street from Greenwich Avenue to West Street (West Side Highway) at the Hudson River in Greenwich Village, New York. Many Gay and other people would yell out – as they still do today – “The Stonewall Car”! Over the years, the Cadillac has become pretty much a parade car, getting plenty of duty in the annual NYC Gay Pride parade and other events.

In the mid-1980s, this Cadillac led a parade in NYC sponsored by GM of over 50 Cadillacs when the new-sized Coupe and Sedan de Villes were introduced. In 1994, the “Stonewall Car” led the “Spirit of Stonewall March” from the legendary Stonewall Club in Greenwich Village through some narrow streets passing the historic Washington Square Arch, with the huge Twin Towers of the World Trade Center in the distant background, all the way up Fifth Avenue with cheering spectators, into Central Park. This famous car led hundreds of thousands of gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender (GLBT) people and their friends and supporters into the park, where hundreds of thousands had already congregated in anticipation of the biggest GLBT rally in history. Have you ever brought your car to be part of an event with a real million people? The “Stonewall Car” was the only car in the entire Central Park that glorious day, along with about 1.1 million people.

Here are some very interesting facts regarding the 1969 de Ville convertible. GM described this Cadillac as its “crown jewel”. Right they were! Its weight is over 4,600 pounds (nearly 2 1/2 tons!); its length is 225 inches (nearly 19 feet long!); its width is 80 inches (over 6 1/2 feet wide); its height is 55 inches (with convertible top up); its wheelbase (the distance between axles) is 130 inches; and its massive, powerful, fuel-efficient, 375 horsepower, V-8 engine is 472 cubic inches at 4,400 rpm (revolutions per minute). It is one of the largest V-8 engines ever produced to power a passenger car! The Cadillac has the great standard-equipped power steering, power brakes, six-way power bench seat, power windows, AM/FM stereo radio, power radio antenna and, most importantly, power convertible top. The convertible top is made of white, triple-woven padded canvas with a real glass rear window. One option the car has which is rarely used is the automatic climate control system. When is the top up? Never! Not even in winter! The car is kept with the top down year-round and a custom canvas cover over it. The seating areas are white sierra ostrich-grain leather. The flooring is midnight black pile carpeting. The dashboard, door panels and rear seating area side panels have inlaid, designer grain wood. The entire “Stonewall Car” interior is original! The custom Vogue tires are extra-wide whitewalls. The wheel covers are solid chrome spokes. The fuel tank capacity is a whopping 26 gallons (plus one gallon reserve). The locked gas cap is hidden behind the rear license plate (“STONEWAL”).

Over 16,000 of these classic Cadillac convertible cars -- a very large number for a luxury convertible -- were produced by General Motors Corporation with Body by Fisher. The huge chrome bumpers and massive front with cast aluminum “egg-crate” grille was used as a design model for Cadillac grilles for the following two-plus decades into the 1990s. The car introduced the innovative and safety-conscious wrap around cornering lights (now found, though less grandly, on almost every car). 1969 was the year that front seat headrests (restraints) became mandatory by law. Seatbelts were now required to have a push-button open/close mechanism. The 1969 Cadillac marked the public-wanted return of the dual horizontal headlights (after four years of the vertical, un-Cadillac, 'stacked' headlamps).

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In 1959, back-tracking a decade, Cadillac had the incredibly unique, "bullet" tail-lights. Ten years later, it seems that they made a point to have the 1969 tail lamps be unique. 1969 was the only year that the Cadillac had the distinctive "lantern" tail-lights. They complemented and were built-in to the slowly sweeping, modified tail fin. In fact, virtually the only major difference between the 1969 and the 1970 Cadillacs (same body, same size, same stats, etc.) were the tail-lights. The 1970 returned to the well-known, long, vertical tail-lights.



**Williamson Henderson with the "Stonewall Car"
Summer 2001**

**Photo by NYPD Sergeant / GOAL Officer
Tommy T. Jeans**

The 1969 and 1970 Cadillacs (98% identical twins) were widely described as "muscle cars with tuxedos". It is most appropriate that the 1969 is both distinctive and 'different'. The ad slogan for the 1969 Cadillac was: "The pleasure of driving the only luxury convertible built in America!" Four decades later, that horn slogan still blows true -- and with even greater significance in America's auto industry.

The most frequently asked question about the "Stonewall Car" is: "What is the mileage?" At the turn of the millennium (2000), the "SW-Car" had an original mileage of 94,169 on New Year's Day. The mileage was only

94,894 original miles three years later as of January 1, 2003, actually regarded as a very low figure considering the vehicular age. At 35 years, as of April 1, 2004, the mileage was only 94,954. In June 2005, the odometer read a low 95,169. Three years later, at the end of June 2008, the mileage read a mere 95,233 miles. In 2014, the odometer showed approximately 95,300. Since 2000, only slightly more than 1,000 miles have been added to this restricted-mileage "historical" vehicle. The engine is original and has had absolutely nothing overhauled. It even has the original glass window cleaner bottle and mount adjacent to the engine!

The "Stonewall Car", now owned by the STONEWALL Veterans' Association (SVA), has appeared in several movies, television commercials, print ads and photo shoots. It was used in the popular promotional poster for both the premiere of "Stonewall: The Play" in 1994 and "Stonewall" (the movie) in 1996. Since the "Stonewall Car" had a professional exterior restoration in mid-1999, SVA members voted unanimously to again make the car available (after a 20-year hiatus) to be 'leased' -- with SVA supervision -- for films, commercials, print ads, editorials and videos. It also gets plenty of duty in the annual NYC Gay Pride parades and other events, including this year, as the car turns 47, the Stonewall Rebellion marks its 47th anniversary and the 47th annual parade. This year's anniversary has added meaning as President Obama recently announced he was designating the area around the Stonewall Inn as the country's first national monument to GLBT rights.



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CADDIE CLASSIFIEDS

Cars For Sale



NEW ARRIVAL 1955 Eldorado – Stunningly restored from 2007-2009 to authentic concours 100-point quality by Harbor Auto Restoration in Florida, a premier restoration expert of Cadillacs – Frame up restoration was authentic in every detail to its original build with no expense spared – 100-point senior division national awards from the CLC and AACA – Awarded best of show at the concours d'elegance of the Eastern United States – Highlights of the restoration are the following: 1) Complete rebuilding of the numbers-matching, 270 engine w/two four barrel carburetors, transmission, drive train, cooling system, electrical systems, suspension, wheel bearings and breaks 2) New water pump, fuel pump, oil pump, master cylinder and fuel lines 3) New gas tank, harmonic balancer and battery 4) Exterior repainted Mandan Red with multiple clear coats, including powder coating the frame 5) New convertible white top and rear window, including the powder coating of the interior bows and re-chroming of the interior top mechanisms 6) Grille and all exterior trim were refinished and re-chromed 7) Five saber wheels were refinished and re-chromed, and five new wide wall bias Cocker tires were installed 8) New authentic carpeting was installed, including the trunk and storage for the parade boot 9) Dashboard, steering wheel and interior trim were refinished and re-chromed – Completely optioned for a 1955 Eldorado – Extensive documentation available – Current owner since 2001 selling due to declining health – Here's a unique opportunity to purchase the best of the best – See pictures at <http://www.clcpotomacregion.org/55cadillac2forsale.htm> – **Asking \$165,000** – For more info, contact CLC member Bill Podany at 865-288-0283 or bpodany@charter.net – Car is located in Knoxville, TN



1959 Coupe Deville – Completely frame-off restored – Engine and transmission rebuilt with only 3,000 miles after rebuild – Front disc brakes and rear power drum brakes – Total power with cruise control, remote trunk open and A/C – All new glass, tires and exhaust – Restored to stock condition except for wheels, interior and frame painted silver – Underneath painted same as body – See pictures at <http://www.clcpotomacregion.org/59cadillacforsale.htm> – **Asking \$80,000** – For more info, contact Willie at 757-218-3849 or wluento@gmail.com – Car is located in Newport News, VA



1965 Coupe Deville – Low mileage w/rebuilt engine – All metalwork restored – New custom upholstery – Mag wheels – **Asking \$17,000** – For more info, contact Debbie Taylor at 301-228-2442 or debird58@yahoo.com – Car is located in Frederick, MD



1969 Calais Four Door Hardtop – Original complete car – Needs restoration – New MAXX 27 810 CCA battery – Good glass – Tires hold air (four new Hancock Optimo H724 P235/75R15 WSW tires available) – Runs, drives and stops – Clean title – **Asking \$1,650 obo** – Delivery possible – For more info, contact April Grammont at 410-868-4557 or aprilq57@aol.com – Car is located near Westminster, MD

Part For Sale:

1) Complete 252ci V-6 from a 1982 Fleetwood Brougham – "Complete" means the following: Alternator, PS pump, A/C compressor, air pump, carburetor, fuel pump, exhaust manifolds, cruise control, cross over pipe, catalytic converter and both battery cables as well as water pump and all pulleys and belts. – Good engine – Stored inside since pulled from car – Delivery possible – **\$150 obo**



NEW ARRIVAL 1985 Eldorado – 23k original miles – Originally an Arizona car – New rear shocks, battery, headliner, tires, wiper motor, front & rear bumper fillers, water pump, radiator, thermostat, fresh paint job and alternator – Appraised for \$19,500 – See pictures at <http://coryscadillacpartsusa.weebly.com/cars-for-sale.html> – **Asking \$6,500** – For more info, contact Cory Kulibert at 920-210-2225 or corykulibert@att.net – Car is located in Mayville, WI



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1988 Fleetwood Brougham Coachwork by Maloney – 143k miles – Interior is like new – All components work including TV – Brand new tires – No issues with cracks, dash or anywhere else – See pictures at <http://www.clcpotomacregion.org/88cadillacforsale.htm> – **Asking \$4,500 or best offer** – For more info, contact George Boxley at 301-261-5634 or georgeboxley@verizon.net – Car is located in West River, MD



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 horsepower 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 issue – 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 lrc@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 it 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 <http://www.clcpotomacregion.org/93cadillac3forsale.htm> – **Asking \$8,395** – For more info, contact Paul Fellencer at lrc@pbfrealty.com or 281-528-6291 – Car is located in Spring, TX



1993 Fleetwood Brougham – 175k miles – Adriatic blue with medium blue leather interior that needs work – Great ride – **Asking \$2,750 or best offer** – For more info, contact Ron Renoff after April 13th at 410-544-0001 or ronrenoff@gmail.com – Car is located in Severna Park, MD



NEW ARRIVAL 1995 Fleetwood Brougham – 140k miles – Originally came from Texas – New items include: thermostat, battery, tires, paint and stainless fender spear moldings – See pictures at <http://coryscadillacpartsusa.weebly.com/cars-for-sale.html> – **Asking \$3,800** – For more info, contact Cory Kulibert at 920-210-2225 or corykulibert@att.net – Car is located in Mayville, WI



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