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With the New Year, several officers have chosen to step down. First and foremost, thanks to our outgoing Region Director, Vince Taliano. Our club owes him a great deal of gratitude for the many years spent working to make this Region what it is now. He laid the ground work for others to follow. Though Vince is stepping aside, he'll never be far away from our members who may seek him out for advice. I wish him well in all his future endeavors.

Now, I would like to introduce myself. My name is Dan Ruby, son of Henry Ruby who passed away in 2012. My dad became a member in the early 1970s. I was involved with the Region as a small kid going with my father to all the regional meets. Under the wings of many great men including Ron VanGelderren, Elwood Brown, Johnny Johnson, Charlie Lightbown, Juan Aranda, Bryce Frey, Glen Cole and Steven and Richard Sisson, to name a few, I was brought up in this club. All guided me in some way, passing a wealth of information to me. I worked closely with my father and others throughout the years involving myself in many club activities. I've participated in the CLC National Driving Tour we hosted in 2009 and the CLC Grand National we co-hosted in 2017. In addition, I've have been the Region's Car Show Coordinator since my dad's passing, as well as Assistant Region Director. I've personally owned several Cadillacs over the years and after my father's passing, I acquired his cars: a 1953 Coupe deVille and 1958 Eldorado Biarritz. Henry's legacy remains alive and well with my involvement in the Cadillac cars & parts business with memories of how he guided me when I was younger.

Thank you for choosing me as your next Region Director. I have some huge shoes to fill, so I ask for your support and guidance. I promise to strive to maintain the fun and friendships we all share, and to guide us in the right direction. My door is open to new ideas that you may have. I will work closely with the other officers on matters that need attention. We have many great members in our club and over the course of time, I hope to meet and greet the entire membership. I'm accessible by phone and email and if you care to drop by, my door is always open for visitors.

Dan Ruby



L to R: Henry Ruby and Dan Ruby at a Potomac Region event

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MEET THE POTOMAC REGION OFFICERS



Randy Edison – Activities Director

As a member since the spring of 2010, I have assisted with club activities by helping where needed, but mostly through photography. Originally from Wyoming, I came to the DC area by way of the U.S. Navy, leaving active duty in 2001, and retiring from the Navy Reserves in 2014. I continue to support the gov't as a national security analyst in various capacities since 2002. I reside in Annandale, VA, where I enjoy a vintage, 1953 home, and five classic Cadillacs, consisting of a '54 conv, '59 CDV, '64 Eldo, '68 Eldo and a '88 Brougham D'Elegance. I also have two '62 Valiants back home on the ranch, one which my grandparents purchased used in 1964 after their '49 Chevy threw its rods on a trip home from Nebraska. That Valiant ultimately ended up being my first car, which I used as a daily driver for five years, after completing a two year, cosmetic restoration, which I started at age 13.



Franklin Gage – Membership Director (pictured left with Debbie Piel)

I've only owned one Cadillac in my life, a 1955 Series 62 sedan. I enjoyed it until it needed the engine rebuilt, and a set of unfortunate circumstances has turned that into a long process. In the meantime, I've enjoyed my membership in the Potomac Region. For the last few years, I have served as the Region's Coordinator of our Washington Auto Show display area, and have worked the vehicle registration table at our car shows, whenever possible. I am looking forward to "giving back" a little more as Membership Director. Our Region is more vibrant than many others in other clubs I belong to, but retaining members and finding new ones is important to keep it that way, so please "Renew & Recruit!"



Lynn Gardner – Car Show Coordinator

I am a big fan of mid-'70s Cadillacs, owning 25 or so Devilles, Fleetwoods and Eldorados over the past 45 years. I currently own a 1975 SDV, a 1976 ELC and a 1976 Talisman. In addition, I own a 2005 STS, which was purchased in December 2004 when I turned 50 b/c I never had a new Cadillac. I came to the Washington area in late 1999 and began attending car shows at Capitol Cadillac in 2000, and have been attending them ever since. In 2010, I joined the CLC and PR, and have been the Region's liaison to the Valley Forge Region the past few years, attending their shows as well. I find our car shows to be the highlight of the year. As Car Show Coordinator, I hope to continue and build on the great work done in the past. If anyone has any ideas for improving and expanding our shows, please let me know. I have recently retired after a career that included a 20-year stint in gov't contracting and client relations.



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Bill Hilliard – Treasurer

I'm originally from Pittsburgh and I moved to the DC area in 1985. I came to the area to work for a local bank and have been in the banking industry ever since. My current job is with Revere Bank in Gaithersburg where I underwrite commercial transactions. I still own and drive my first car, a 1969 Chrysler that I acquired in 1976. In 1990, I acquired my great aunt and uncle's 1969 Eldorado which they originally bought to celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary. As a volunteer at the Region's car shows at Capitol Cadillac, I have met a lot of members over the years helping them park / display their cars. I live in Colesville, MD with my wife Anne and two cats.



Sandy Kemper – Secretary (pictured left with Daniel Jobe)

I bought my first and my one and only Cadillac, a '59 CDV, in the Fall 2000. Shortly thereafter, I drove my "new" car to Capitol Cadillac b/c I heard there was a Cadillac car show being held. On the apron in front of the dealership was a 1960 Cadillac with its owners, Jack & Nancy Hotz, nearby. I talked with them and found them to be enthusiastic members of the CLC. Nancy gave me some newsletters from the Valley Forge Region and both of them encouraged me to join the club. I completed a membership form later that same day. In 2005, I became the Region's Secretary and have served in that position since. During that time, I drafted the Region's Constitution, By-Laws, Financial and Car Show Guidelines, as well as organizing the meetings and drafting the meeting minutes. Also, for several years, I served as the liaison to the Valley Forge Region. In 2009, I was the Co-Chair, along with the late Steven Sisson, for the PR's hosting of the CLC National Driving Tour. My home is in Silver Spring, MD and I am retired.



Chuck Piel – Assistant Director (pictured left with Debbie Piel)

I have had two stints as a CLC member, first in 1976-1980 when I was restoring a '54 Eldorado, and from 1999-on. My wife Debbie and I own a '67 DeVille convertible, in which we have happily logged 25K miles, and a 2009 STS4 V8. For the last four years, we have served as Co-Membership Directors, as well as the liaisons to the Central Virginia Region. My interest in Cadillacs goes back to when I was three-years-old in 1953, when my dad, who drove a '49 Cadillac convertible, bought me a toy Caddy convertible by Ideal that could be disassembled. That interest continued to when I learned to drive in a '55 Series 62 convertible, which was my first car. With my retirement from the software business this past February, we have spent a lot of time traveling as well as tending to our five grandchildren, all of whom are six-years-old and under. We have also attended numerous Cadillac events, including the 2018 Grand National in TX and the 2018 National Driving Tour in Southern CA.



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DATE	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION	CONTACT INFORMATION
Jan 13 Sun	12:00 pm – 4:00 pm	Potomac Region Holiday Party	Springfield Country Club Springfield VA	R. Scot Minesinger at rscothm@cox.net or 703-283-2021
Feb 7-9 Thu-Sat		AACA Annual Meeting	Philadelphia PA	www.aaca.org
Feb 8-10 Fri-Sun		46th Annual Atlantic City Auction & Car Show	Atlantic City NJ Convention Center	G. Potter King, Inc. at 856-573-6969 or www.acclassiccars.com
Feb 18 Mon	7:30 pm – 9:30 pm	Potomac Region Monthly Meeting	Silver Diner Merrifield VA	Dan Ruby at 301-343-1463 or danruby@clcpotomacregion.org
Mar 24 Sun	2:00 pm – 4:00 pm	Potomac Region Monthly Meeting	Olive Grove Restaurant Linthicum MD	Dan Ruby at 301-343-1463 or danruby@clcpotomacregion.org
Apr 15 Mon	7:30 pm – 9:30 pm	Potomac Region Monthly Meeting	Capitol Cadillac Greenbelt MD	Dan Ruby at 301-343-1463 or danruby@clcpotomacregion.org
May 19 Sun	9:00 am – 3:00 pm	27th Annual Capitol Cadillac Car Show/ Automobilia Auction	Capitol Cadillac Greenbelt MD	Lynn Gardner at 703-303-7310 or lynngardner@clcpotomacregion.org
May 20 Mon	7:30 pm – 9:30 pm	Potomac Region Monthly Meeting	Silver Diner Merrifield VA	Dan Ruby at 301-343-1463 or danruby@clcpotomacregion.org
Jun 17 Mon	7:30 pm – 9:30 pm	Potomac Region Monthly Meeting	IHOP Restaurant Rockville MD	Dan Ruby at 301-343-1463 or danruby@clcpotomacregion.org
Jul 15 Mon	7:30 pm – 9:30 pm	Potomac Region Monthly Meeting	Silver Diner Merrifield VA	Dan Ruby at 301-343-1463 or danruby@clcpotomacregion.org
Aug 17 Sat	4:00 pm – 6:00 pm	Potomac Region Monthly Meeting	Olive Grove Restaurant Linthicum MD	Dan Ruby at 301-343-1463 or danruby@clcpotomacregion.org
Sep 16 Mon	7:30 pm – 9:30 pm	Potomac Region Monthly Meeting	Capitol Cadillac Greenbelt MD	Dan Ruby at 301-343-1463 or danruby@clcpotomacregion.org
Oct 21 Mon	7:30 pm – 9:30 pm	Potomac Region Monthly Meeting	Silver Diner Merrifield VA	Dan Ruby at 301-343-1463 or danruby@clcpotomacregion.org
Nov 18 Mon	7:30 pm – 9:30 pm	Potomac Region Monthly Meeting	IHOP Restaurant Rockville MD	Dan Ruby at 301-343-1463 or danruby@clcpotomacregion.org



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50 YEARS AGO THIS MONTH STORY BY VINCE TALIANO PHOTOS BY BRYCE FREY

ARE YOU A CADILLAC - LASALLE ENTHUSIAST ?

A number of Cadillac - LaSalle lovers in this area have expressed a desire to get together occasionally - nothing formal, not too frequently, just every once in a while.

Several of us are getting together on Sunday January the fifth and we would like to extend the invitation to you to join us. An open house has been planned. Some colored slides of out of the area (and in the area) Cadillacs and LaSalles will be shown. And... alot of shop talk and getting acquainted. Light refreshments.

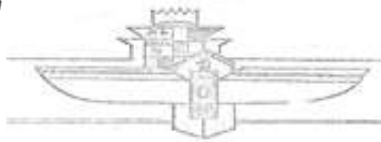
Weather and circumstances permitting.....
Cadillacs, LaSalles and wives welcome.

WHERE : Ronald E. VanGelderren
6185 Hardy Drive (map enclosed)
McLean, Va. 356-4505

WHEN : Sunday January 5, 1969

TIME : 2:30 - 4:30 P.M.

We hope you can join us.



R. S. V. P.

p. s. there is a '39 V-16 coupe and a '41 60 S in the garage

On Sunday January 5, 1969, the first Potomac Region meeting was held at Ron VanGelderren's home in McLean, Virginia. Pictured left is the original invitation that was mailed out to prospective members.

Some 15-20 potential members were in attendance including Juan Aranda, Bryce Frey, Richard Sisson and the late Steven Sisson, who served as the Region's first Director. The meeting was later featured, along with two photographs of the participants, in **The Self-Starter**.

On that cold but sunny day in 1969, Ron's neighborhood was transformed into an Apalachin, New York scene circa 1957 when Mafia bosses from all over arrived in their Cadillacs for a historic sit down. Unlike the Apalachin get-together, the vintage cars did not cause suspicion resulting in the arrival of the State Police at the residence, but rather a CLC Region was formed.



**Our founding members arriving
at Ron's home in their classic Cadillacs
(the weather gods were smiling on them in early January 1969)**



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CAPITOL CITY CADILLAC CAPER THE SELF-STARTER JANUARY 1969

A number of Cad-LaSalle Club members and their friends from the Washington DC metropolitan area met informally on Sunday, January 5, 1969. Cars and wives were invited on an "as circumstances may permit" basis. Fortunately it was a beautiful sunny day, (20 degrees above) which prompted a turnout of 7 wives, 1 lady member, 18 men, and 10 Cadillacs. Shop talk, punch, hors d'oeuvres, colored slides of "out-of-the-area" cars by Ron VanGelderren, future planning, and admiring each other's cars were the order of the day. Consideration was given to future activities. A dinner was decided upon. Depending upon the support at that time, a tour, or a meet could be organized. The Washington DC area, with quite a few cars, has great potential. Hopefully, this initial get together will encourage increased participation.

As a change of pace the submitted pictures are of the people rather than the cars, in the hope of getting better acquainted. (Everybody knows what a '39 - 9033 F looks like, but how many of us know how really good looking Agnes and Norm Uhler are!) **[Editorial Update: Norm Uhler served as CLC President from 1962-1972.]**



L to R Standing - Martha Jane Kennedy, Fred Westenberger, Earl Broyles, Juan Aranda, C. P. Johnson, Robert Schilling and Ralph Perkins

L to R Kneeling - Zane Griner, Ellwood Brown, Steven Sisson, and Richard Sisson



L to R Standing - George Teebay, Sue Teebay, Mike Smith, Sandy Smith, Cari Davis, Aiken Davis, Glen Cole, Pat Cole, Bryce Frey and Nancy Frey

L to R Kneeling - Ron VanGelderren, and Sherie VanGelderren

[Editor's Note: Thanks to Chris Cummings for providing the article.]



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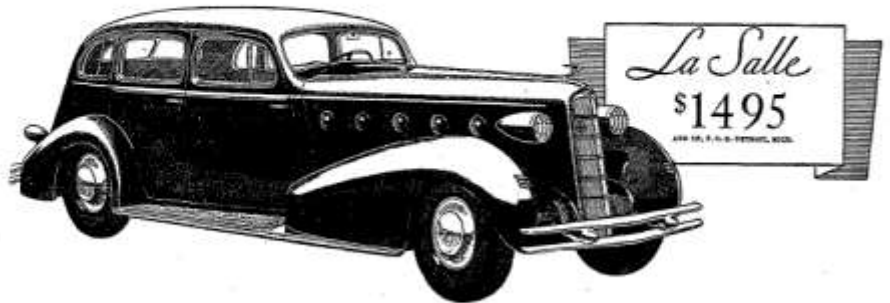


85 YEARS AGO THIS MONTH
STORY BY RICHARD SILLS AND VINCE TALIANO

On January 11, 1934, Kempton Cadillac Corporation in Washington, DC ran a large ad in **The Washington Post** introducing the new 1934 Cadillac and LaSalle with their distinctive biplane bumpers. Ironically the ad's title stated that ***Progress Means Change!...**, and change was soon to occur. On April 15, 1934, **The Post** reported some news: "Akers to Open Cadillac Agency." We can only speculate as to why Kempton Cadillac ceased to exist, but an educated guess can be made, based on other reported facts.

The President of Kempton Cadillac was Robert Morris Kempton and its Chairman of the Board was his father-in-law, Henry B. Tremaine. Apparently, Mr. Tremaine also owned a large share of the stock of the company. Henry, a resident of New York, was also the Chairman of the Board of the Aeolian Weber Piano and Pianola Company in New York, which had been founded by his father in 1887. Mr. Tremaine died suddenly on May 13, 1932, at age 66, while visiting his daughter and son-in-law in Washington. An article in the May 27, 1932 issue of **The Pelham Sun** reported that the bulk of his estate passed to a trust for the benefit of his surviving widow.

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any automobile. Even in the rear seat passengers can now ride at high speeds over rough roads, in complete relaxation. The car actually seems to glide. . . . All control mechanisms have been greatly improved. The motors have been endowed with new smoothness and acceleration. The bodies are far finer and more beautiful, both inside and outside - with all enclosed models embodying the latest Fisher No Draft Ventilation. In fact, the whole of every car has been so radically improved that only after a thorough demonstration and inspection can you appreciate

the full advancement that has been made. . . . And even in the face of today's rising market, prices have been drastically reduced. . . . The new Cadillacs are now on display at our showrooms. The La Salle - a completely new car, entirely re-designed in all its phases - and equipped exclusively with bodies by Fleetwood - will be available within a few weeks. The V-16, as usual, is custom built to order. . . . We sincerely believe that this is the greatest announcement Cadillac has ever made. See these cars with that thought in mind. You can't be disappointed.

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After Mrs. Tremaine's death, the trust was to be divided into three equal shares, of which one went to Mrs. Kempton, one went to her sister, and one went to the children of Mrs. Kempton's brother.

The article also reported that Mr. Tremaine's will gave Mr. Kempton a "one-year option" to purchase his father-in-law's stock in Kempton Cadillac, for a price that the executors determined to be suitable. When his father-in-law died unexpectedly, Robert was in his early 40s, married, with two young children. He had just begun his second year of operating the dealership, and was now faced with an unexpected decision about buying out his father-in-law's share. The decision was forced on him during the darkest days of the Depression, when Cadillac and LaSalle sales plummeted in 1932-33. While the details are lost to history, it seems likely that when Mr. Kempton considered the size of the new obligation he would have to undertake if he bought the stock, and the general economic conditions then prevailing, he decided this would be a good time to consider an outside offer to acquire the company. Regardless of how the transition occurred, Floyd DeSoto Akers took over the representation of Cadillac and LaSalle automobiles later in 1934 under the name of Capitol Cadillac Company.

1932 Cadillac V-16 All-Weather Phaeton by Fisher sold new by Kempton Cadillac. The car, engine no. 1400208 – body no. 6 – style no. 27, is one of 13 Fisher-bodied all-weather phaetons built in 1932, and one of three that survive. The car sold for \$291,500 (inclusive of applicable buyer's fee) at the RM Auctions in Arizona in January 2013.



[Editor's Note: As the article is available to visitors of our region's website at <http://clcpotomacregion.org/forms/CLCPR.1507Newsletter.WashingtonDCCadillacDealerships.pdf>, it is also appears on Google searches for Kempton Cadillac in Washington, DC. Recently, I was thrilled to receive an email from Robert Kempton's youngest grandchild in California who was researching her family history and found the story. First of all, she thanked us for the research on her grandfather and great grandfather. She agreed to contact her oldest cousin to see if more information is available on the history of the dealership.]



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IN MEMORIAM: PRESIDENT GEORGE H.W. BUSH BY VINCE TALIANO

I never met President Bush, but I had the privilege of seeing him in person in Baltimore prior to his attendance at an Orioles baseball game. It was the summer of 1989 and I was serving an internship with the United States Secret Service's Baltimore field office. I was invited to an area near Lake Montebello where Marine One landed and his Cadillac presidential limo transported him to the game in a motorcade. It was the highlight of my internship. RIP, President Bush.





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APPRECIATION FOR VINCE TALIANO
STORY BY CHUCK PIEL, DAN RUBY, SANDY KEMPER, HARRY SCOTT,
RICHARD SILLS AND JACK MCCLOW
PHOTO BY DAN RUBY

As the old saying goes, *"if you want to get something done, find a busy person to do it."* Nothing could better describe our beloved outgoing CLC Potomac Region Director Vince Taliano. For 14 years, Vince has juggled family and a very travel-intensive career, all the while helping build one of the largest and fastest growing regions in the CLC. During this time, Vince has worn so many hats that he'd need to be a centipede to hang them all!

We have no idea how he did it. Vince was a true road-warrior. From 2010 to 2016, he had to be out of town for his job weekly, while juggling a family that includes his wife Robin and two sons, Jack and Michael – both of whom are into a wide array of youth sports. When Vince took over 14 years ago, the Potomac Region was just getting back on its feet, thanks to the efforts of former director Bill Sessler and other long-time members. Prior to Bill, the Region had been pretty dormant for many years.

Since Vince took over, the Region has grown to a steady 185+ members, has won numerous Quill and Pen and CLC awards for the **Caddie Chronicle**, which Vince still edits, as well as the Potomac Region website, which Vince still administers. Under his leadership we have had a steady stream of activities and events, not the least of which have been our themed Car Shows sponsored by Capitol Cadillac. *[Note: the authors of this piece prohibited Vince from editing or cutting down this article, otherwise his humility would have caused him to edit out much of what we want to say.]*

Vince won the prestigious Henry M. Leland Award given by the CLC National organization in 2017 during the Tyson's Corner Grand National Meet. This award is given as earned (and not necessarily every year) to "an outstanding Cadillac & LaSalle Club member who has performed acts of great merit." Since its inception in 1990, it has only been awarded to 18 people.

Of course, while recognizing other out-going officers and folks assuming new roles in the recent **Caddie Chronicle**, Vince would not mention himself or the incredible achievements he has made while being our director (and chief cook and bottle washer!). As such, here are some other comments of appreciation from some former and current officers and friends of the Potomac Region, as well as a "resume" of Vince's accomplishments.



Vince Taliano receiving the Henry M. Leland Award from then CLC President Dave Ritchie (r) at the CLC Grand National awards banquet in 2017.
Photo by Dan Ruby



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From new Potomac Region Director Dan Ruby (former Assistant Director):

What can I say that hasn't already been said - the awards alone that Vince has received on a National level over the 14 years as our leader tell the story of how important he has been to our club. Vince is a more decorated member on the National level than any CLC member – period. He's our "Four Star General!" He was a young guy taking over a club that was struggling for many years and took us up to the top with award winning shows, our **Caddie Chronicle** newsletter and so much more. The **Caddie Chronicle** newsletter is recognized world-wide.

I've been associated with the Potomac Region since 1973 and have seen our membership take off in the years since Vince has taken over. One of the main reasons for this I believe is because he was accessible to each club member that reached out to him, he's gives off a vibe that motivates individuals, and most of all he cares about our club. Vince implemented ideas to this club that at times members thought would be impossible years ago, specifically a Driving Tour, Automobilia Auctions and Spring & Fall shows at Capitol Cadillac with our Theme Shows that reached world-wide recognition and are still talked about to this day. Lastly, Vince was one of the leaders, along with Ronnie Hux of the Valley Forge Region, of one of the top Grand Nationals in our home territory in 2017! All this has been possible because of his leadership.

On a personal note, I've established a great friendship with Vince over the years as we've worked together organizing events. I enjoy our trips to Hershey together, sharing stories about old cars and everyday conversations. I get excited when his number pops up on my phone. You know it's going to be something good as, "Hey Dan, I know where there's a '59 Cadillac for sale, go check it out!" or "I know where there are some parts for sale, might want to check it out!" Again, he's a loyal friend to all! I have some big shoes to fill and I'm sure he will be there to help guide me and our club in the right direction. I looked up to my father for many things in life and when I had a conversation with my dad many years ago about our club my dad said to me, "This guy [Vince] is going to take us somewhere, you watch and see," and damned if he hasn't. One thing is for sure, he will still be available to us as a member in good standing!

From Secretary (and **Caddie Chronicle** associate newsletter editor) Sandy Kemper:

I have found it exceptional that Vince has produced an extraordinary newsletter each month for over 15 years. On average, each issue is 20 pages of Region business, classified ads and, this is really notable: mostly original or unique "found" Cadillac content. Also, it is incredible that Vince has managed to distribute the **Caddie Chronicle** on or before the first of nearly **every** month since he has been publishing it! And I continue to be astounded by the little-known things that Vince does that are associated with his primary tasks. One example is that he has compiled an index of all of the issues of the **Caddie Chronicle** that he has produced. This index lists each issue and each article by date, topic and author. Simply amazing! When did he find the time to compile this?



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Similarly, Vince has created an extensive Region membership database which helps the Membership Director with the duties of that position tremendously. But what most members don't know is that Vince's database also helps to tabulate the car show judging results at our car shows. There isn't much time to count the ballots at our shows, but Vince's database makes the process much easier, faster and accurate. Further, if there is a question about a ballot indicating a vote for a member's car that appears to be in the wrong judging class, a quick search of the database usually confirms the year and model of the car to help determine the right judging class and to verify the correctness of the ballot. He is remarkable. And I could go on.

From long-time Potomac Region and 2017 CLC Grand National Treasurer Harry Scott:

I first met Vince at an organizational meeting of the Potomac Region just after being brought back from dormancy for a long period of time. From that very beginning, Vince had ideas and suggestions for growing and organizing the Region. He was a great help to the Director Bill Sessler with the many duties Bill found himself assigned after volunteering for the director position. Vince's assistance was purely that of being a team player and not for recognition or any aspirations of being in a leadership position. Upon Vince's assuming his leadership position he was a great help to me in moving the treasurer record keeping from paper and pencil to computer. It was apparent from the beginning of his tenure he had exceptional leadership and organizational skills. As mentioned previously Vince has also been blessed with good old fashioned "people skills" which makes it easy to call him a friend.

From Richard Sills, long-time Potomac Region Member and Car Show Emcee, Past-President of the CLC, Director of the CLC Central Penn Region and Board Member of the CLC, the CLC Museum and Research Center and AACA Museum:

In addition to the leadership Vince provided as Director of the Potomac Region, his efforts made our **Caddie Chronicle** Region newsletter into a publication of international quality and recognition. Not only does the newsletter cover local events and national CLC activities, it also attracts fascinating stories from people who live thousands of miles from the borders of the Potomac Region. It has included well-researched in-depth articles about a wide variety of Cadillac-related subjects. Several that come to mind are the articles about (1) General Patton's Cadillac and the mysteries that surround it, (2) the 1947 Fleetwood purchased from Capitol Cadillac and presented to Speaker of the House Sam Rayburn as a gift from his colleagues in Congress, and (3) the complete researched history of Washington, D.C. Cadillac dealerships going back to 1903, when new Cadillacs shared a showroom with bicycles. There are countless more outstanding articles, far too many to mention. Vince's newsletters have gained regular readers from all over the world, and have reflected great credit on the Potomac Region.



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Recap "Resume" of Vince's tenure with the CLC Potomac Region, as compiled by Jack McClow, CLC National Treasurer, Director, life member and long-time CLC PR member:

- 2005 – Mary Lou Evans Membership Award
- 2005 – Newsletter Excellence Award
- 2006 – **Old Cars Weekly** Golden Quill Award (winning again in 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011 and 2012, at which point he stopped submitting the issues for consideration)
- 2007 – Distinguished Service Award
- 2008 – LaSalle Discovery Award
- 2008 – Norm Uhlir Regional Activity Award
- 2012 – Website Excellence Award
- 2013 – Website Merit Award (winning again in 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018)
- 2016 – Newsletter Excellence Award (The only CLC Newsletter Editor to win this award twice. At last count, Vince has published approximately 160 newsletters averaging 16 to 20 plus pages per publication.)
- 2017 – Henry M. Leland Award

Of the ten award categories listed above, nine of them are CLC recognized awards. Of those nine, eight are major awards (the Website Merit Award being more of a "junior" award) and of those eight, seven are for personal recognition as compared to the Norm Uhlir Regional Activity Award which is, technically, an award given to the region, but in reality, without Vince in charge of running the Region, the Region would not have won the award in 2008. So, with eight major CLC awards to his personal credit, Vince has the distinction of having won more major CLC awards than any other member in the 60-year history of the CLC – an amazing accomplishment and all well-deserved!

In addition to everything Vince has done for the Potomac Region and the CLC in general, he has helped or assisted in the following areas:

- Co-registrar of the 2007 Grand National in Savannah hosted by the Peach State Region (view the hundreds of pictures he took and posted online at <http://clcpotomacregion.org/2007grandnationalattendeesh1.htm>)
- Top-level committee member for the 2009 Driving Tour hosted by the Potomac Region (read a re-cap of the event and view pictures at <http://clcpotomacregion.org/2009nationaldrivingtour.htm>)
- Top-level committee member for the 2017 Grand National co-hosted by the Potomac Region (see a summary and pictures at <http://clcpotomacregion.org/2017grandnational.htm>)

With regard to CLC national committees:

- Current member of the Information Technology Committee
- Past member of the Finance Committee
- Past member of the Long-Range Planning Committee
- Past member of the Publications Committee



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In addition to all of the above, Vince has brought together a number of national CLC folks, and other notables as well, in a variety of ways for the overall betterment of the CLC and the Cadillac collector car hobby in general over the years. As examples of these above-and-beyond efforts, in 2007 Vince invited Ron VanGelderren (two-time Past President of the CLC) to return to the Potomac Region (a Region Ron helped to found in 1969) to speak at the Fall Capitol Cadillac Show which featured the LaSalle automobile theme show called the **Legacy of LaSalle** event. During the speech Ron, pictured left, spoke on the history of the LaSalle automobile as well as told the story behind the book "**LaSalle, Cadillac's Companion**

Car" he co-authored with Matt Larson which is the most comprehensive book ever published on the subject.

Then, in 2008, Vince, along with Daniel Jobe, spearheaded the push for the most ambitious Fall Theme Show in the history of the Potomac Region with the **Cadillac Dream Cars** event. Thanks to Vince's dedication to the event and his impressive management talents the show was a total success! For the first time, both of the only known surviving 1953 LeMans concept cars (#3 & #4) were together again, on display in the Capitol Cadillac showroom along with the 1956 Cadillac Maharani (a 1956 Motorama show car), a 1903 Cadillac from the General Motors Historical Collection, the Centennial Cien show car and the 2003 Cadillac Sixteen, then a current concept vehicle. Attending the show were Charles Barnette from Texarkana, Texas, who had researched the 1953 LeMans concept cars for David Temple's book, "**GM Motorama**", and Tomajeau Haugerud, the daughter of Floyd Akers, the man who purchased the Capitol Cadillac dealership in 1934 (the dealership is still owned by the family and is currently run by Daniel Jobe, grandson of Floyd Akers) and who also owned LeMans #3 during the 1950's. Mrs. Haugerud drove the LeMans in the 1950s.



**Both remaining 1953 Cadillac LeMans' (#3 left and #4 right)
together for the first time ever!
Photo by Bob Crimmins**



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All of these amazing events were only possible thanks to the vision and extraordinary leadership Vince put into assembling a team to make the annual Fall theme shows a total success in every way. In addition to the **Legacy of LaSalle** and **Cadillac Dream Cars** Fall theme shows in 2007 and 2008 respectively, Vince played a major role the following Capitol Cadillac Fall theme events:

- 2005 – **Celebrating V-12 & V-16 Cadillacs**
- 2006 – **Eldorado Extravaganza**
- 2009 – **Capitol Cadillac's 75th Anniversary**
- 2010 – **Fabulous Fleetwoods**
- 2011 – **Dazzling DeVilles**
- 2012 – **Professional Pride (Limos, Hearses and Ambulances)**
- 2013 – **Colossal Convertibles**
- 2014 – **Capitol Cadillac's 80th Anniversary (complete with three 1934 Cadillacs in the showroom)**
- 2015 – **Magnificent Modifieds**
- 2016 – **75th Anniversary of the 1941 Cadillac**



Also, Vince has put considerable effort into making sure others are recognized for their efforts and contributions at both the local and national level. Thanks in large part to Vince's efforts; the following CLC members have won their own individual CLC recognition awards:

- Steven Sisson in 2008: Henry M. Leland Award (pictured right)
- Daniel Jobe in 2009: Cadillac Herald Award (pictured far right)
- Colleen Moak in 2009: Mary Lou Evans Award



Suffice it to say that we are among the legion of Vince's many friends and club mates and sincerely appreciate his dedication to the CLC and the Potomac Region. This is a new chapter for the Potomac region but we know he will be there with us for what's next.

THANK YOU, VINCE!

[Editor's Note: Thank you for the kind words. It has been an incredible and rewarding experience working with everyone in the CLC all of these years, and I look forward to the years ahead. I wish everyone a happy and healthy new year.]



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CADDIE CLASSIFIEDS

Cars For Sale



1961 Six-Window Sedan Deville Model 6399 – 41,000 original miles – Two-owner car (purchased from original owner in 1987) – Always garage-kept – Olympic White with light blue leather and broadcloth interior – AACA and CLC Senior Award winner – CLC President’s Preservation Award at 2017 Grand National – Fully equipped – A/C, cruise control, power steering, brakes, and windows – Six-way power seat and electric trunk pull down – Radio, clock and more – Autronic headlight dimmer – New radial WW tires – Displayed by GM at the Smithsonian Institute when the new Transportation Museum was recently re-dedicated – Drives and looks like new – See pictures at <http://www.clcpotomacregion.org/61cadillac4forsale.htm> – **Asking \$32,500** – For more info, contact Marc Tuwiner at 301-672-1000 or marct1000@yahoo.com – Car is located in Baltimore, MD



1975 Sedan Deville – 35k original miles – Five owners (current one since 2010) – Completely original including Jennifer Blue paint, white elk grain top and white leather interior – Items recently replaced include timing chain and sprocket, rear bumper fillers, battery, tires, fluids, filters, spark plugs, ignition wires, radiator rebuilt, hoses and belts – Automatic climate control system has been completely rebuilt and converted to use environmentally-friendly refrigerant – Complete records from 1975 to present documenting full ownership and mileage included in sale – Maintenance records from 2010 to present also included along with a Sedan Deville specific car cover – See pictures at <http://forums.cadillaclasalleclub.org/index.php?topic=152304.0> – **Asking \$12,500** – For more info, contact Lynn Gardner at 703-303-7310 or lynnwgardnerusa@aol.com – Car is located in Arlington, VA



1976 Fleetwood Eldorado Convertible – 26k original miles – Three owners (current one since 2016) – Completely original including Calumet Cream paint, buckskin convertible top and light buckskin leather interior – Items recently replaced include timing chain and sprocket, oil pump, front bumper fillers, battery, tires, fluids, filters, spark plugs, ignition wires, radiator, hoses and belts – Automatic climate control system converted to use 134 refrigerant – Hard boot, hard boot storage bag, and an Eldorado specific car cover included in sales – All records documenting full ownership and mileage come with the car, in addition to full maintenance records from 1999 to present – See pictures at <http://forums.cadillaclasalleclub.org/index.php?topic=152302.0> – **Asking \$32,500** – For more info, contact Lynn Gardner at 703-303-7310 or lynnwgardnerusa@aol.com – Car is located in Arlington, VA



1976 Fleetwood Talisman – 56k original miles – Three owners (current one since 2013) – Vehicle left the factory painted Crystal Blue Firemist, white elk grain padded vinyl top and blue Medici Velour interior – One repaint approximately 20 years ago in the original color – Items recently replaced include battery, radiator rebuilt, water pump, all four tires (replaced with period correct white wall radials), fluids, filters, spark plugs, ignition wires, hoses and belts – Auto climate control system completely rebuilt to use environmentally-friendly refrigerant – All maintenance records from 2013 to present included in sale as well as records documenting full ownership history – Only 4,336 Talismans were built between 1974 and 1976 – See pictures at <http://forums.cadillaclasalleclub.org/index.php?topic=152303.0> – **Asking \$15,500** – For more info, contact Lynn Gardner at 703-303-7310 or lynnwgardnerusa@aol.com – Car is located in Arlington, VA

Car Wanted

1936 or Newer Large Touring Sedan or Limousine – Solid, in dark color – V-8 w/manual transmission – Side mounts and running boards – Nice, functional driver or show car – Serious buyer – For more info, contact Gup Gascoigne at 973-366-5853 or gqup@optonline.net – Located in Denville, NJ



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