



# Cadillac & LaSalle Club Potomac Region Caddie Chronicle July 2024



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Fellow members,

I want to take the opportunity as your director to personally thank everyone who attended the 2024 Grand National in Gettysburg, PA this past month. Your cars looked great out on the show field. I was happy to spend some time with most of you who were there. Congratulations to the award winners and thanks to all who participated, making our Region proud.



I spent the week as a vendor (see above). Hope sales for the other vendors went well too. This event was a major success thanks to all who participated in one fashion or another. Several stepped up to the plate and volunteered their time including Lynn Gardner, Chuck Piel, Christopher Winter, Sandy Kemper, Bill & Anne Hilliard and Gary Cameron. Again, a huge thank you to all!

There was no rest for the weary as our Sport Cadillac Car Show and Automobilia Auction took place the following Sunday. Full coverage and pictures will appear in the August newsletter.

*Dan Ruby*



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#### **IN MEMORIAM: ELIZABETH "BETTY" ANDERSON** **BY THE ANDERSON FAMILY**



Former CLC Potomac Region member Betty Anderson of Gambrills, MD passed away on May 30, 2024, at age 80. She met retiring CLC Chief Judge William "Bill" Anderson at Iowa State University, and they were married on November 12, 1966. Following graduation in May 1967, they moved to upstate New York. Ultimately settling in Auburn, Betty worked for Cayuga County Social Services and supported Bill's engineering career. William C. Anderson, III was born in September 1970 and Erica D. Anderson arrived in February 1972 in the midst of a major snowstorm.

A change in Bill's career led them to move to the Annapolis, MD area in 1985, and Betty's career with Maryland state government was launched. She served for 20 years as Special Assistant/Office Manager of the Maryland Governor's Legislative Office during four different gubernatorial administrations: Parris N. Glendening, Robert L. Ehrlich, Jr., Martin J. O'Malley, and Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.

The breadth of her duties went far beyond what the outside world and even many of her colleagues could see. Joseph C. Bryce, former Chief Legislative Officer remarked: "Betty was a very special person. For the 11 years we worked together, she was my partner, protector, confidante, and guiding light. She was smart, caring and always worked until the job was done." Governor Glendening, the first Governor for whom she worked, echoed that sentiment: "Betty was the engine that made our Legislative Office run. She was a true professional and a wonderful person who had the respect of her colleagues and elected officials. I feel honored to have worked with her for so many years."

Although Betty retired from State government after the 2016 legislative session, she worked an additional three legislative sessions in the legislative office of Johns Hopkins University before settling into retirement completely.

Betty was a true lover of flowers of all types, if desired please send floral arrangements in care of Hardesty Funeral Home P.A., 851 Annapolis Rd., Gambrills, MD 21054 no later than Friday, July 26, 2024, by 4:00 p.m. There will be a Mass of Christian Burial on Saturday, July 27 at 1:00 p.m. at Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, 1800 Seton Dr., Crofton, MD 21114.



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### **JUNE 17, 2024 MEETING MINUTES**

#### **BY VINCE TALIANO**

**PLACE:** Silver Diner, Merrifield, VA

**TIME:** 7:30 pm

**PRESIDING:** Dan Ruby, Region Director

**ATTENDEES:** Thirteen including four officers: Bill Hilliard (Treasurer), Chuck Piel (Assistant Region Director), Dan Ruby (Region Director), Vince Taliano (Secretary, Newsletter Editor and Website Manager), Chris Cummings, Randy & Susan Denchfield, Jim Dillard, Dan Mullane, Scott Patton, Harry Scott, Scott Wardinski and Morgan Yeh

**DIRECTOR'S REMARKS:** Dan Ruby thanked everyone for attending. He asked the members to keep Jeff Gurski and Rick Menz in their thoughts and prayers, as they battle their respective health challenges. Sadly, he announced Elizabeth "Betty" Anderson, the wife of retiring CLC Chief Judge Bill Anderson, recently passed away. A mass will be held on Saturday, July 27 at 1:00 pm at the Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Church in Crofton, MD.

**SECRETARY'S REMARKS:** The minutes from the previous meeting were not reviewed since they were published and distributed to all members in the June 2024 newsletter.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Bill Hilliard reported on the financials since the last meeting. Total revenue was \$145.14 and total expense of \$25.44 for the period, resulting in a net gain of \$119.70.

**MEMBERSHIP REPORT:** Vince Taliano reported we have 165 dues-paying family memberships for 2024. Welcome to our newest member, Peter Chen. Some CLC members at the Grand National expressed interest in joining the Potomac Region. Follow-up emails were sent to them.

**ACTIVITIES REPORT:** The following activities were discussed:

- **Past Events:**

- **CLC Grand National, Mon-Sat, Jun 10-15, Wyndham Hotel, Gettysburg, PA.** Thanks to Lynn Gardner for coordinating the volunteers for the event that included quite a few from the Region – Chuck Piel, Christopher Winter, Sandy Kemper, Bill & Anne Hilliard and Gary Cameron to list a few. Congratulations to the many members who won awards: Mark Brodsky (1939 LaSalle Convertible Coupe and 2012 CTS V Coupe), Marty Watkins (1941 Series 60 Special), Mike Carlin (1948 Series 62 Club Coupe), Larry Good (1953 Eldorado), Jim Govoni (1953 Series 62 Sedan), Doug Bailey (1966 Eldorado), Bill Harrison (1967 Eldorado), Daniel Jobe (1967 Eldorado), Mike Kerwin (1976 Sedan Deville) and Gary Cameron (1992 Eldorado).



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Special congratulations to Chuck Piel, whose 1941 Series 62 Convertible Coupe received the prestigious Ansel Sackett 1941 Cadillac Excellence Award. It was created in 1991, the 50th anniversary year of the 1941 Cadillac, by the late Ansel Sackett, who began his career at Cadillac the same year before being one of the Club's three co-founders in 1958. The award is presented to a 1941 Cadillac with primary consideration given to authenticity and originality

**49th Annual Father's Day Antique and Classic Car Show, Sun, Jun 16, Sully Plantation, Chantilly, VA.** Members Jim Dillard, Tom McQueen, Dan Mullane, Scott Patton, Charlie Rumrill, Scott Wardinski and Morgan Yeh attended. Congratulations to Richard Sisson who won first place in class with his 1953 Buick Skylark.

• **Upcoming Events:**

Date	Time	Event	Location	Contact
Jul 4 Thu	Line up at 10:30 am	Annual 4th of July Parade <a href="#">See flyer</a>	Morningside, MD	Town Hall at 301-736-2300
Jul 4 Thu	Assemble at 9:00 am	Annual 4th of July Parade <a href="#">Visit website</a>	Carroll Ave. and Ethan Allen Ave. Takoma Park, MD	Tara Egan at 240-863-8837 or <a href="#">send email</a>
Jul 24-27 Wed-Sat		Mecum Auction <a href="#">Visit website</a>	Pennsylvania Farm Show Complex Harrisburg, PA	262-275-5050 or <a href="#">send email</a>
Jul 28 Sun	8:00 am – 3:00 pm	20th Annual All Vehicle Show hosted by the VCCA Free State Region <a href="#">Visit website</a>	Reisterstown Regional Park Reisterstown, MD	Mike Natale at 443-465-7492 or <a href="#">send email</a>
Aug 3 Sat	1:00 pm – 6:00 pm	Potomac Region Summer Picnic	Dan & JoJo Ruby's Owings, MD	Dan Ruby at 301-343-1463 or <a href="#">send email</a>
Aug 10 Sat	9:00 am – 2:00 pm	49th Annual Metro Chapter Buick Club/Capitol City Rockets Oldsmobile Club All- GM Show	Eagle Ridge Middle School Ashburn, VA	Joe Padavano at 703-927-9196 or <a href="#">send email</a>
Sep 21 Sat	8:00 am – 3:00 pm	48th Edgar Rohr Memorial Car Meet hosted by the AACA Bull Run Region <a href="#">Visit website</a>	Manasseh Masonic Lodge 182 Manassas, VA	Gene Gilkey at 703-830-5313 or Randy Higgins at 703-853-2235

- [Visit website](#) for a full list of events.

**NEXT MEETING:** The next meeting will be held on Sunday, July 21 at 11:00 am at the 198 Restaurant in Burtonsville, MD. Members are encouraged to attend the adjacent Cars & Coffee in the Burtonsville Town Square before the meeting. It starts at 7:30 am.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.



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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 3, 2024  
1:00–6:00 p.m.  
301-343-1463**

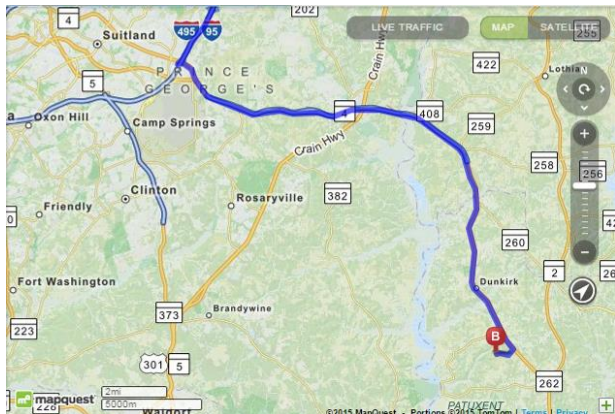
[danruby@clcpotomacregion.org](mailto:danruby@clcpotomacregion.org)



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

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

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



**Please RSVP (accepts only) by  
Saturday, July 31**

**No. Attending: \_\_\_\_\_ x \$20 per person = \_\_\_\_\_**

**Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_**

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

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

[See pictures](#) from the 2023 picnic.

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## **MY FIRST GRAND NATIONAL (AS A SPECTATOR) BY MORGAN YEH**



The 2024 Grand National at Gettysburg, PA, was absolutely drivable for us. Unfortunately, the children's last week of school ran through the week of the Grand National. We all know about kids and their love of elementary school parties and games, so there was no skipping out on the most fun days in school. Our only option was to drive bright and early on Saturday morning, the last day of the event, from Chantilly, VA and join in as spectators.

It was sunny and beautiful, with a slight breeze and not yet too hot. We got there just as folks were waking up and going out and about at the Wyndham Hotel. Idling by the side of the road before entering into the hotel lot, I was starting to put on some hip-hop music for the kids in our 1992 Brougham d'Elegance (because you have to make an entrance when going to the Grand National...it's the Grand National!), when Vince Taliano pulled right up next to me from behind in his black 1965 Sedan deVille. "Cmon! Follow me," he said, and I did just that.

Christopher Winter greeted us and pointed to where we could park. We got out, stretched our legs, and my wife, Chia-Hua, and my kids, Maxine, Zack, and Samuel, made a beeline for the hotel restroom. I, on the other hand, made a beeline for the nearest Cadillac to ogle.



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Zack and the rest of the gang soon joined me by a wonderfully restored 1959 Coupe deVille, as he is a crazy car-nut in-the-making, of course with much of my influence from me. Half the fun is seeing the cars, meeting all our friends and making new ones. The other half is reading all about the personal history of each car and the hands that have guided that particular rolling stock up to that point in time of its life. The family backstories, the chance meets and impulse buys that lasted into a keeper, the mission to search and buy back decades-old nostalgia. These stories were brought to light and glory at the Grand National on a personal and heartfelt level. And many people were willing to offer additional personal details and anecdotes about their "extended personality" wheels on display. If you asked me, a week would not have been enough to hear all the epic tales of each vehicle.

After our long strolls through the lot with me as a walking and talking car brochure, and then after Chia-Hua and Maxine tapping out and escaping to find shade, we settled down for a small picnic of packed sandwiches with some folks from the Potomac Region including Dan Mullane and Kitty Lou Harger, Scott Patton and Scott Wardinski.





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Before heading out on the road to go back home, we took a commemorative photo of two 1980-90s-era Broughams, Scott Wardinski's and mine. In the coming weeks, he will be considering selling his 1989 "deep-cherry-black" Brougham with plush, smooth velour interior that he had just restored and detailed from storage, so it would probably be the first and last time this pair of Broughams would meet up. Scott, my friend, if only I had a 20-car garage. If only!

Our ride home was scenic and peaceful, and Chia-Hua and I chatted away the afternoon. It was almost too quiet. Was it the soft, gentle ride of the Cadillac? Ahhh, that's why...the gentle Cadillac ride and this occurrence in the backseat.

We look forward to next year's Grand National being in the Nashville, TN area, also somewhere which is considered drivable for us. Hopefully the schedule will work out better for us in 2025!







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## **#352 – A DREAM COME TRUE – PART IV: WHAT THE JUDGES DIDN'T SEE BY LARRY GOOD**

**PHOTOS BY DAN RUBY, LARRY & MAIA GOOD, LOWELL GOOD AND OTHERS**

*This is the conclusion of a series by Larry Good on the restoration of his '53 Eldorado. See the Caddie Chronicle, [Jan. 2020](#), [Aug. 2020](#) and [Jun. 2022](#) issues for the first three parts.*

After nearly six years, Eldorado #352 finally got restored enough to push it into the Washington Auto Show last January and to drive it onto the Grand National show field this June. It went through a series of misfortunes after returning to the States, but love triumphs over all. In this case love means money. I used to try to save \$100 here and there. Then it became \$10,000 here and there. It ended up \$100,000 here and there. I'm writing this from a jail cell... went straight to debtor's prison without passing Go.



**Eldorado #352 at the 2024 Grand National in Gettysburg, PA**



Nonsense aside, let's dwell on what's good about #352. My goal was to recreate 1953 accurately with this machine, and it came close, very close. At the CLC Grand National in June it tied for 1st in Class 14 with Jim Govoni's exquisite 1953 Series 62 sedan.

The title of this article is not about deceiving the judges in Gettysburg. Rather, it refers to good things that were out of sight or not obvious to the casual observer. Writing articles is the only way to showcase them.



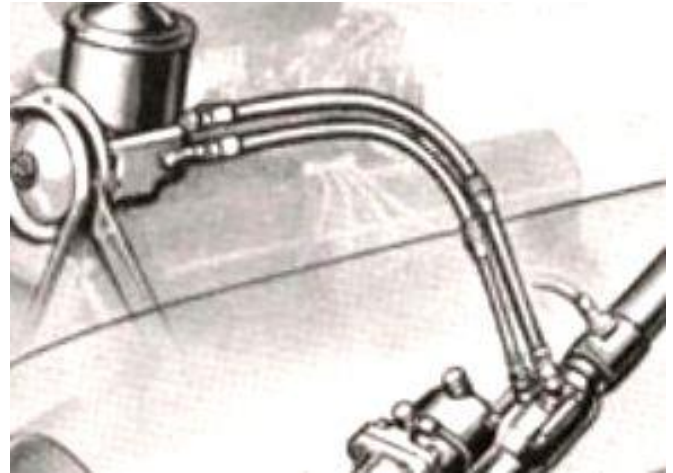
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Here are a few examples.

## Power Steering Hoses

The CLC Class 14 Authenticity Manual even tells us that the hydraulic hoses between the power steering pump and servo are a bit strange. The ones a vendor sent to the restoration shop were wrong, so we had hoses fabricated from scratch with the right diameters and fittings. We tinted the metal ends, worked the surface of the rubber to remove lettering and get the correct geometry, and finally put hose bands over the metal couplings as the factory did to prevent banging and scratching the engine compartment. The manual says that only the high pressure hose has a metal coupling mid-length, but a factory drawing shows couplings in both hoses. We went with the factory.



**Power Steering Hoses - GM Illustration**

## Exhaust Clamps

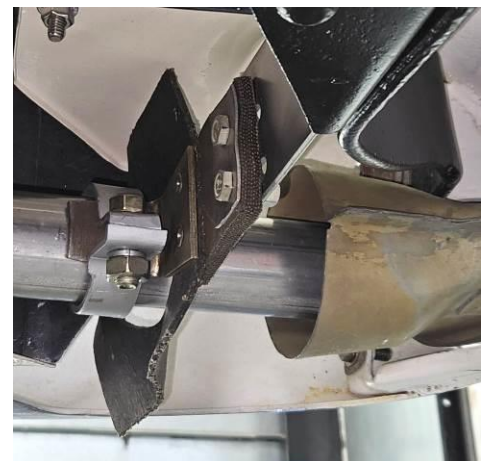


Most exhaust clamps and hangers are only visible by putting the car up on a lift. Very many antique cars today use the modern U-style clamps that weren't invented yet in 1953. My own 1947 Cadillac has them. (Shame!) The picture (left) of the complex arrangement on Eldorado #352 shows what '53 Cadillacs actually used. These parts had to be scavenged and restored. They even have the right bolts now.

Very special hangers in 1953 were the ones that came sideways out of the end of the frame to hold the back of each tailpipe. At the outside end of each hanger there is a rather large square sheet of rubber that blocks wind where each pipe enters its port-hole in the rear bumper. I can't figure out the reason for this design. The Cadillac Master Parts List doesn't even show it, but all original 1953 Cadillacs, including my parts car, had it. I was lucky to find an NOS pair for restoration from Bob Mooney.



**NOS 1953 Cadillac  
Tailpipe Hanger,  
Unboxed (left)  
On Car (right)**





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## Exhaust Wrap



For a couple of years, I puzzled over how to wrap the exhaust header pipes. The Master Parts List diagram shows something on the headers but doesn't say what. The CLC Class 14 Authenticity Manual calls for a spiral steel wrap there, but other restorers said it was asbestos, not metal. Finally, this year I found original examples. Aaron Cole of Cole's Classics has a Coupe deVille junker with some of its asbestos still in place. Aaron lent me an aluminum strap for replication. Then Eldorado #287 appeared for sale on the internet with a picture (left) of all its asbestos wrap from beginning to end on both sides still in place, even with the same straps. Bingo! Using faux asbestos from McVey's and fabricated straps, that's the wrap #352 got. Maybe someday the Authenticity Manual can be updated.

## AOS Stencil

Even if the judges bent way over and looked straight at it, they wouldn't notice the AO Smith stencil on the frame because it's not required for CLC judging. The club has never paid much attention to the frame manufacturer. Back in the [July 2021](#) issue of the **Caddie Chronicle** I wrote an article about the AOS branding, and now it's on my car (pictured right). For a pattern I copied the only picture of an original 1953 example I ever saw – that on Eldorado #145. My wife Maia bought a cutting machine to create the stencil. She and our son Paul used magic software to get the font exactly right (letter height: 39/64"). I chose a date four weeks before assembly at Clark Avenue. Lacking Cadillac records, I used to think the time window for frame manufacture was strictly two to nine weeks before assembly because that's how Corvettes were. Recently, however, Cadillac restorer Quentin Hall found another original 1953 example dated ten weeks before assembly. The window has expanded.





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### **Dash Knobs**

Eight of the 1953 Cadillac's dash knobs came from the factory with a brushed outer circle and a smooth polished center. The American plater said the brushed surfaces could not be restored, so he polished them smooth... then sent me a bill! I couldn't live with the ruined knobs. No good shop in America would fix them with less than a year's wait. So, I shipped a spare set express to Armenia where Ashot Avagyan made them right in no time and got them back to me in 30 days, still in time for the Grand National.



**Dashboard with Brushed Knobs**

### **Stainless Trim**

Over the years, moving from shop to shop, some unique items got "lost." (They must be making somebody else happy.) One of these was the Eldorado-only stainless trim that goes on top of the passenger's door. It's a complicated geometry that wraps around the lock button. No others existed for purchase anywhere. Money couldn't buy it. In a panic, I prevailed upon the one person I knew who could fabricate it: Quentin Hall in Australia. Quentin restores these cars and fabricates everything necessary. Without even agreeing on a price, he made the part overnight in time for the Washington Auto Show. In return, I sent him a CARE package of Eldorado items he needed. We exchanged equally invaluable parts. As with the dash knobs, the judges looked right at the trim part but couldn't see the back story.





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## Stone Fuel Filter



There's nothing secret about the fuel filter. It's only hiding in plain sight because most people don't pay attention to it. Looking into glass bowls these days, you'll usually see a bellows-shaped

paper filter element. In 1953, however, the element was a porous stone. You had to wash it and put it back in every now and then. We saved an original stone element and used it in the restoration (adjacent pictures). I wonder how many spectators were awed.

## Electro-Vac Label

Only Eldorados had electrically driven Trico vacuum pumps, called Electro-Vac, as factory issued equipment in 1953. The pump boosted vacuum above what the fuel pump and intake manifold could provide in order to force the wipers around the corners of the Eldorado's "panoramic" windshield. Trico stuck its label on the pump. The label couldn't even survive 70 years of shelf life, let alone the hostile engine bay environment. They have to be replaced, but the only commercially available repro labels show a patent date of 1954, too new for a 1953 car. So, I had to make my own with a correct patent date of 1936. The label is so inaccessible that nobody can read it. People asked me, "Why did you bother?" Well, it was just the right thing to do.



Label on Electro-Vac Pump



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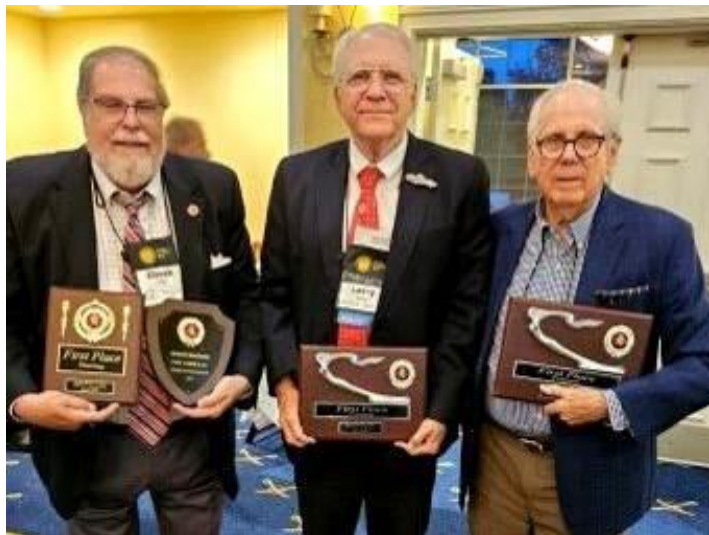
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#### **2024 Grand National**

How was the event? Grand Nationals are always fun. A few of this year's highlights:

- Ride in a 1939 V-16 to dinner at a local brewery with Tom & Lynn Keegan (right) and friends. They drove it to Gettysburg from Kansas City. Last year they drove it to Albuquerque, too.
- Dinner with Chuck & Debbie Piel at the oldest restaurant in America.
- Chats with fellow '53 Eldorado owners:
  - Jason Ghering from Ohio (visited his cars two months ago)
  - Jerry Parnes from Pennsylvania (brought a fantastic 1931 Cadillac convertible coupe to the GN)
  - Larry Lawrence from Texas (visited his collection last year)
  - Mark Brodsky of Maryland (gave me a nice Franklin Mint model of my Eldorado)
- Meeting Cadillac owners from Australia, Austria, Curaçao, Germany, Holland and Switzerland.
- Family visits: Brother from Albuquerque, son from Maryland, local cousin from Pennsylvania.
- Collecting an award.



**Some of the Potomac Region Award Winners:  
L-R: Chuck Piel, Larry Good and Mark Brodsky**

A few things on Eldorado #352 didn't get done in time. For example, a point or two were lost in judging for malfunctioning turn signals. To get home from Gettysburg we caravanned with signaled cars. I'd gladly give hand signals while driving, but drivers without grandchildren now don't even know what the signals mean. They'd mistake my hand for a target and drive right into me. I have to get the turn signals fixed when I get out of debtor's prison.

**SEND LOVE!**



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**CLC Potomac Region Family Photo at the 2024 Grand National with CLC President Ronnie Hux, alongside CLC Past President Richard Sills (pictured far right)**



**Larry & Maia leaving the Grand National for a 60-mile drive home!**

*Read future issues of the Caddie Chronicle where you may find more '53 Cadillac trivia about paint, top material and slush shields (say that 10 times!).*

**[Editor's Note: Congratulations to Larry & Maia Good and the other Potomac Region members who won awards at the Grand National. To see more than 150 pictures from the event, visit the [Potomac Region website](http://www.clicpotomacregion.org).]**



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## GETTYSBURG GREETSS THE GREAT RACE 2024 BY RICHARD SISSON



On Tuesday, June 25, I went to Gettysburg, PA for The Great Race overnight stop. The nine-day, 2,300 mile adventure began in Owensboro, KY on Saturday, June 22 and finished on Gardiner, ME on Sunday, June 30. Participants in 120 vehicles visited 19 cities in 11 states during this timed competition.

By late afternoon the teams started to arrive on the scene. I saw a couple of Cadillacs including a '53 Coupe DeVille and a '62 Series 62 convertible. Daniel & Lisa Jobe are participating in a 1972 GMC Suburban (pictured below), but I had to leave before they arrived. Congrats to all the teams!







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## CADDIE CLASSIFIEDS

### Cars For Sale



**1954 Cadillac Coupe Deville** – 77k miles – Authentic restoration completed – Numbers matching to frame – Body stripped down to bare metal and painted the original colors of 16 Apollo Gold with black top – Painted base coat / clear coat in 2012 and still looks great – All exterior stainless was buffed and the rear bumper and hood goddess ornament were re-chromed – Engine was rebuilt and detailed in 2017 as well as the Hydramatic transmission – Runs great – NOS fuel pump and rebuilt water pump installed – Radiator was pressure tested and painted – New front end wiring harness was installed in 2020 – Starter and generator rebuilt – Recently installed new period correct battery – Interior was redone in vinyl and original cloth material purchased at SMS interiors – Reupholstered in trim code 67, light green Crest cloth with dark green vinyl not leather –  
[See pictures and more details](#) – **Reduced to \$41,000 obo** – For more info, contact Gary DellaVecchio at 203-870-5248 or [send email](#) – Car is located in Oxford, CT



**NEW ARRIVAL 1972 Cadillac Eldorado Coupe** – Original Oregon car w/only 56k miles – First owner pampered it for 49 years – Very popular the last three years at local car shows in Baltimore area – Cotillion white exterior original paint w/immaculate mandate black cloth upholstery and original black vinyl roof – Hired out twice in 2023 for event displays – Powerful 500 CU V-8 engine – Battery, alternator and high beam lights replaced – Drives smooth on premium fuel – Won three awards so far in 2024 – Looking for its new caretaker – Must sell due to health reasons - **\$20,000 obo** – For more info, contact Stephen Clark at 410-285-2072 or [send email](#) – Car is located in Baltimore, MD




**1997 Cadillac Seville STS** – 26,583 miles – Only two owners – Pristine original condition – Original window sticker, owner's manuals and key tags – 4.6 Liter V8 engine – AM/FM stereo radio with cassette player and 12 compact disc player in trunk – Four Bose amplified speakers – Wheels chrome over cast aluminum – Heated front seats – Recently replaced serpentine belt, belt tensioner assembly, alternator and seat back link – [See pictures](#) – **Reduced to \$12,000** – For more info, contact Mary Cicciu at 508-250-3781 or [send email](#) – Car is located in Cotuit, MA

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