



The Gold Standard

A periodical of the Cadillac & LaSalle Club Hampton Roads Region

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday February 2, 2010

**7 p.m. at Crab Shack on the James
7601 River Road, Newport News, VA**

FEBRUARY 2010

MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

Yes, we will gather at Crab Shack on the James, which is next to the James River Bridge in Huntington Park at the foot of the fishing pier. www.crabshackonthejames.com. This is a good choice which everyone seems to enjoy, and the restaurant appreciates our gathering there.

CLC North Carolina Eastern Region has a new Newsletter Editor. Welcome aboard to newsletters Charlie Sheen, my you enjoy being creative and inspiring. Everyone at CLCHRR wishes you well.

On March 12 – 14th, 2010, you can join the CLC of Southern California at the Agua Caliente Casino – Resort – Spa. You can get the special rate of \$149.00/ night (normal rate is \$249.00), if you reserve before Feb 15, 2010. Each adult guest will get a free \$20.00 cash play card for hotel gaming action. Mention the CLC when making your room reservation to get the special rate. The resort is at 32-250 Bob Hope Drive in Rancho Mirage, CA 92270. (1-800-854-1279) Bring your car and have some fun.

Come to the meeting to hear more from Jeff Locke about our over night tour that is being planned for the first Friday and Sat of April.

See you there at 7 p.m. Tuesday February 2nd. Your director, James Gregg

MINUTES FROM January 5th MEETING

There were 10 members in attendance.

Bob Geiger brought his photos from the Suttle Show for everyone to enjoy.

There are now two openings for club officers for 2010. #1 Assistant Director #2 Membership Chair We need volunteers to serve in these two positions.

At our April 6th meeting Jeff Locke will do a presentation for the club on appraisals of unusual cars.

All membership renewals should now be sent to Viator.

Bob Geiger is planning our next club tour for April. Plans will be confirmed in March for the trip to Petersburg. Members present at the meeting agreed that this should be an overnight trip. Lettie Geiger suggested that we send out a separate e-mail announcing the April trip. (Send announcement in February and in March so that people can make plans for the trip.)

A request was made for a copy of our local club roster/members' e-mail and contact information. James Gregg will get this roster out to the club members.

Bob Geiger suggested a topic to be brought up for discussion at the National Board meeting in Oakland in January. The National Club's "10 year policy" for car shows penalizes the new cars.

Submitted by Pamela Gregg, Secretary

TREASURER'S REPORT

Closing balance 12/31/2009 \$3637.62. 13 dues @ \$15.00 each - \$195.00 deposited. Current balance \$3832.62.

Submitted by Viator Trudeau, Treasurer.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT AND MEMBER NEWS

Note: Region members must be current national CLC members. (According to the national club rules.)
New E-mail address for Brian McGarvey is 66eldorado@sprint.blackberry.net please make note on your roster.

VPCCC REPORT

The first meeting for 2010 of the VPCCC (Virginia Peninsula Car Club Council) was held at 7 pm on Jan. 21st at the Country Grill in Tabb. There were 17 members in attendance.

This was the organizational meeting for 2010. The speaker was Mr. Larry Printz, Auto Editor from the *Virginian-Pilot*. He spoke in generalities on cars and the electric cars. Most of the time he answered questions.

The president requested all to check the VPCCC web site and update where necessary.

There are two bills in the General Assembly:

HB 462 – Aftermarket exhaust system components.

SB 519 – Vehicle license plates. Provides for the issuance of only one license plate for all registered vehicles.

The Virginia Association of Car Councils (www.vaccc.org) web site has a comprehensive and up to date listing of legislation related to transportation.

Another web site has a lot of cool stuff post by Fred Fann (<http://iloveoldcars.com/>)

Up coming Shows

Feb 20th First Annual **Beach Ford Lincoln Mercury All Makes and Models Show, 1600 N Main St., Suffolk, VA**

March 11-14 3rd Annual FFC Shamrock All Wheels Show and Hooters Poker Run, Kitty Hawk, NC.

March 27 3rd Annual York High Falcons Car Show, York High School, Yorktown

The February meeting will be held on 19th at the Coxtan Collision Center – Gold Team.

Submitted by Don Baker

CCCHR Report

The CCCHR meeting had 16 members present. A spokesperson from the Virginia Warriors Program was present to talk about the help they provide for any military veteran where they do not want to go through the veterans' administration. A June 5th car show at Little Creek Amphibious Base will benefit the Virginia Warriors Program. In 2009 the CCCHR donated \$2,900.00 to charity earned at car shows held by members of CCCHR. The AACA will have their Annual Swap Meet at the Ruritan location south of Great Bridge on RT #168 on March 7, 2010.

Submitted by Viator Trudeau

JEFF LOCKE'S CORNER Other Auto News and Thoughts

Jeff has asked us to attend AACA Regions shows to get more exposure.

There is a Winter Swap Meet & Car Corral with the Richmond Region AACA, at the Old Farrington Fire Hall, Ashland, VA non Sat. March 13th ,2010. Later this year.... 41st Annual Car Show, Swap Meet & Car Corral at the Richmond International Raceway. (same spot as last year)
See Jeff for details.

HUMOR CORNER....

From a Blonde's year in review....August: Got locked out of my car in rain storm....car got swamped because soft-top was open.

Oxymorons....

Is it good if a vacuum really sucks?

Why do "slow down" and "slow up" mean the same thing?

Why is it called "after dark", when it is really "after light"?

Why are a "wise man" and a "wise guy" opposites?

Why do "overlook" and "over see" mean opposite things?

If work is so terrific, why do they have to pay you to do it?

If love is blind, why is lingerie so popular?

Why do you press harder on the buttons of a remote control when you know the batteries are dead?

Why do we drive on a parkway and park on a driveway?

THE CLC National Board Meeting Report Oakland, CA 14 Jan – 16 Jan.

On Thurs and Friday we managed to visit some museums and CLC member's garage.

Many thanks to the CLC North Cal Region. We saw Blackhawk Museum, San Francisco Academy of Art University Car Collections (School of Design), and Robert Schultz's collection of cars and art oddities.

At the CLC Museum Board Meeting there was a final selection for the location of our CLC Museum on the grounds of the Gilmore Museum (<http://gilmorecarmuseum.org>) were there are several other national car museums. It is near Kalamazoo, MI.

At the CLC Board Meeting we used the whole day (8 – 5) to cover a long list of topics.

Membership is holding steady at 7182 members, while other national car clubs are declining.

The CLC operated at a loss last year due to the reduction in funds from the Cadillac Motor Division. The CLC reserve funds covered the shortfall.

Our region was one of the many who came in with 100% score for having its members with active CLC Nat membership.

Our newsletter was also scored at 100% in sending copies to Jack McCLOW of the newsletter awards committee.

If you have any member you would wish to nominate for a CLC Nat. award, to be given at the summer CLC Grand National, please get it into Awards Committee Chairman Gary Fisher.

CLC APPAREL: The Nov/Dec Issue of the Self Starter premiered the new apparel on line store. Additional clothing items can viewed on the clubs web site www.cadillaclasalleclub.org . CLC is in search of an individual to act as store manager to review product sales, new merchandise selections, advertising promotions, and online store special-discount sales.

Thanks go to Lee Herbermann, our CLC Southeastern VP, for getting this info out to us so soon.

WHAT CADILLAC DEALER IS NEAR ME?

Suttle Motors Cadillac in Newport News near the airport. www.suttlemotors.com

Action Cadillac in Portsmouth. www.actioncadillacmc.com

Duke Cadillac in downtown Suffolk. www.dukecadillac.com

Holiday Cadillac in Williamsburg towards the colonial area. www.hudginsholiday.com

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CLCHRR Tours Committee Chairman- Bob Geiger (see above)

CLCHRR Membership Viator Trudeau (see above)

CLCHRR Newsletter Editor- James Gregg (see above)

Directions to the Crab Shack on the James, 757-245-0421: Travel 64 from either direction, exit onto Mercury Blvd going west (toward James River Bridge) approx 5 mi., pass Warwick Blvd, turn right at Riverpark Dr., immediately, turn left to fishing pier and the Crab Shack on the James.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR AND MAKE PLANS !

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