



# The Gold Standard

A periodical of the Cadillac & LaSalle Club Hampton Roads Region

**NEXT MEETING: Tuesday March 2, 2010**

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

## MARCH 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](http://www.crabshackonthejames.com). This is a good choice which everyone seems to enjoy, and the restaurant appreciates our gathering there.

It is always fun to join in activities that other CLC regions are having. We enjoyed having members from the Central VA CLC region join us on our tour to Luray, VA. Many of us go up to their show in Richmond. We also enjoy the two shows per year at Greenbelt MD with the CLCPR.

These are excellent ways to get our region known out there.

The CLCNCER wants to plan a joint event in the future. As soon as we have a good date and place I will put it in the Gold Standard.

Our meeting last month was enjoyed by the hearty members of our region. The weather had some worried, and a few had other commitments that night.

I got a chance to see Tom Bottoni's '59 a few days ago and Ed, of Ed's Rods and Recks, is doing a fantastic job. He is really getting into doing Cadillacs and is working on a '57 of his own. He just got in a '56 Cady Conv. That he will be doing next. That car was John Merrill's grandfather's. John lives in VA Beach.

Don't forget to plan on being at the April CLCHRR meeting when Jeff Locke will do a presentation about fascinating vehicles he has seen in the past while doing appraisals all over the country.

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

### MINUTES FROM FEBRUARY 2<sup>nd</sup> MEETING

There were seven members in attendance.

Don Baker brought up the need to get our club's show on the local roster so that we can lock in that date and avoid having another club schedule for the same day.

There was a discussion of our club's next overnight trip to Petersburg. Jeff Lock pointed out that the April 3-4 date that we had pick turns out to be Easter weekend. He suggested two alternate dates: April 24-25, or May 1-2. Jeff spoke about the general overview of the trip. Our walking tour will be accompanied by a guide who is in the historical society. We will all be staying at bed & breakfast inns. Cost for the overnight stay at the B & Bs will range between \$100.00 and \$139.00.

Jeff suggested that it would be a good idea if we brought our club's fliers to the other area car show that we attend. If we handed out fliers, we would generate interest in our show at Suttle each fall.

We also discussed the need to find a better location for our meetings. We need a private room where presentations can be heard.

Barbara Smith brought everyone a valentine chocolate as a surprise.

Submitted by Pamela Gregg, Secretary

## **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Will be submitted by Viator Trudeau, Treasurer, at the meeting.

## **MEMBERSHIP REPORT**

**Note: Region members must be current national CLC members.** (According to the national club rules.)  
Be sure to let all your friends and Cadillac owners you meet, know about our region.

## **VPCCC REPORT**

The second meeting for 2010 of the VPCCC (Virginia Peninsula Car Club) was held at 7pm on Feb 18<sup>th</sup> at Croxton Collision Center-Gold Team in Tabb. There were 19 members in attendance.

The first speaker was Chuck Hall, who is the promoter for Langley Speedway in Hampton. Langley Speedway is celebrating its 160<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year. He described some of the upcoming events that include musical events on Friday evenings. The season opens on March 13<sup>th</sup>. New and upcoming events will be posted on their website [www.langleyspeedway.com](http://www.langleyspeedway.com)

A second speaker was Mike Madsen (757-343-9303) of Dominic's of New York. This is the organization that has the food concessions outside the entry of Lowe's stores. They now have a mobile concession trailer that can serve food at outdoor events.

The final speaker was Ken Brumley ([brumleyk@tncc.edu](mailto:brumleyk@tncc.edu)) the Automotive Technology Program Head at Thomas Nelson Community College. He spoke briefly about their second car show this summer. The show last year had over 200 cars. They were able to purchase a 2005 Pontiac for use as a training aid with the proceeds from the show. He did not know where they stood on funding for the coming year. More details to follow.

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

Two auto related bills in the General Assembly last month, did not make it out of committee.

The Virginia Association of Car Councils ([www.vaccc.org](http://www.vaccc.org)) website has a comprehensive and up to date listing of legislation related to transportation.

Another website has a lot of cool stuff posted by Fred Fann <http://iloveoldcars.com/>

### **Up Coming Shows:**

**March 11-14** 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual FFC Shamrock All Wheels Show and Hooters Poker Run, Kitty Hawk, NC

**March 27** 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual York High Falcons Car Show, York High School, Yorktown

**March 28** Gloucester Daffodil Car Show On the Court House Circle

**April 10** VA Chevy Lovers Spring Dustoff - Pembroke Mall near Kohl's

**April 10** Corvettes at Waterside Benefit-Relay for Life Waterside Festival Place

See [www.vpccc.org](http://www.vpccc.org) for more details.

March meeting will be Wed. The 17<sup>th</sup> at Croxton Collision Center-Gold Team.

Submitted by Don Baker

## **CCCHR Report**

Will be submitted by Viator Trudeau at meeting

## **CLCHRR TOURS REPORT**

Call or e-mail Bob Geiger, 757-253-6501 or [bobnlettygeiger@aol.com](mailto:bobnlettygeiger@aol.com),

## **MEET YOUR CLCHRR MEMBER**

This is a feature that will be highlighting the members of our region. We ask everyone to e-mail or write to us at the region address with stories and comments about ourselves that other members would enjoy. It is a time to share your fun with others. Everyone enjoys hearing about other members experiences.

## **WHAT'S FOR SALE THIS MONTH?**

Here's where we can find interesting Cadillacs, LaSalles, and spare parts for sale. This will be a free service to our members.

## **HUMOR CORNER....**

**WHY MEN ARE NEVER DEPRESSED...**

They are just happier people and why not?  
Their last name stays the same,  
The garage is all theirs,  
Wedding plans take care of themselves,  
Chocolate is just another snack,  
They can never get pregnant,  
They can wear a white shirt to a water park,  
Or no shirt to a water park,  
Car mechanics tell them the truth,  
The world is their urinal,  
They never have to drive to another gas station because the restroom was too icky,  
They don't have to stop and think of which way to turn a nut on a bolt,  
Same work with more pay,  
Wedding dress is \$5,000, Tux rental is \$100,  
Wrinkles add character,  
People rarely stare at their chest when they are talking to them,  
New shoes don't cut, blister, or mangle their feet,  
Phone conversations are over in 30 seconds flat,  
A five day vacation requires only one suitcase,  
Their underwear is \$8.95 for a three- pack,  
Three pair of shoes is enough,  
Everything on their face stays its original color,  
They can do your Christmas shopping for 25 relatives on Dec 24<sup>th</sup> in 25 minutes.

## **WHAT CADILLAC DEALER IS NEAR ME?**

Suttle Motors Cadillac in Newport News near the airport. [www.suttlemotors.com](http://www.suttlemotors.com)

Action Cadillac in Portsmouth. [www.actioncadillacgmc.com](http://www.actioncadillacgmc.com)

Duke Cadillac in downtown Suffolk. [www.dukecadillac.com](http://www.dukecadillac.com)

Holiday Cadillac in Williamsburg towards the colonial area. [www.hudginsholiday.com](http://www.hudginsholiday.com)

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