



The Gold Standard

A periodical of the Cadillac & LaSalle Club Hampton Roads Region

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday November 2, 2010
7 p.m. at Crab Shack on the James
7601 River Road, Newport News, VA

NOVEMBER 2010

VOTE NOV 2nd..... VOTE NOV 2nd.....VOTE NOV 2nd.....Early and Often.

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.

Nov 6th drive to Richmond will be lots of fun and a good chance to support the Central VA Region!

See you at 7 p.m. Tuesday November 2nd .

Your director, James Gregg

CLC NATIONAL NEWS

The CLC Inaugural Meet and Tour at the Gilmore Car Museum, happened at the recently selected site of the Cadillac LaSalle Club Museum. The date was Sunday, September 5, 2010.

The day started with lunch in the Carriage House, a complete tour of the Museum buildings along with an Ice Cream Social at the Blue Moon Diner on the Museum grounds. For those staying overnight there was an optional group dinner at Sam's Joint located nearby.

Below is a web site where members can take a tour of the beautiful Gilmore Museum property.

<http://www.gilmorecarmuseum.org/>

Lee Herbermann, SERVP

MINUTES FROM October 5th MEETING

There were 9 members in attendance. Don Baker reminded us of the VA Fall Classic on October 23. The website has directions/registration forms/pay pall.

There was a discussion of our club's annual Suttle Show. There were 44 cars at our show this year. Bob Geiger said that the fliers and the ads in *The Daily Press* were probably the two important reasons we had such a good turnout. The club broke even on the show this year. The price of trophies has doubled. There was a discussion about ordering elegant trophies to celebrate the 2011 show since this will be our 15th year. Bob asks for ideas for the dash plaques and for the grill plaques.

The Geigers brought brochures from the Gilmore Car Museum in Michigan and the new (as of May 1, 2010) Cadillac & LaSalle Club Museum. They spoke about the Gilmore. The new CLC museum occupies a 10,00 square-foot exhibit building on the Gilmore grounds. Eleven donated vehicles are now displayed in the new museum. This will be the permanent home for these Cadillac & LaSalle vehicles and artifacts.

Ideas for the next car club trip were discussed. The Richmond club has their car show November 6. The possibility of taking our cars up to the show is pending.

Don Baker took photographs of our Suttle Show. It was suggested that we get his photos into a document (2-3 page spread) that our club can send out to all participants who had cars in the show.

There is the annual call for new officers for the 2011 year. Don't miss the next meeting - you might be nominated. (ahem)

Viator Trudeau spoke about the Cadillac Show he attended in Geneva, Illinois. He said that there were cars in the show that you don 't often see.

Mary Baker spoke about Smithfield Station for our Christmas meeting. It was proposed that we hold the Christmas meeting on our regular first Tuesday (December 7) at the Smithfield Station. Those present voted on the proposal and passed it. Mary volunteered to call them for reservations since they book up early.

Those present voted on changing the location for our 2011 meeting to The Vineyards at Kiln Creek. 1405 Kiln Creek Pkwy 874-0114. The vote was passed unanimously. Directions will be provided in the future newsletters.

Submitted by Pamela Testa Gregg, Secretary

TREASURER'S REPORT

Opening balance 9/10 \$3,541.46

Checks written \$1012.44, service fee \$2.00

Deposits \$160.00, \$25.00, \$710.00 (show proceeds) \$2.00 service fee refund

Balance \$3,424.02 10/10/2010

Submitted by Viator Trudeau, Treasurer

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 Oct. meeting for the Virginia Peninsula Car Club Council (VPCCC) was held at 7 pm on Oct 21st at Coxtton Collision Center-Gold Team in Tabb. There were 19 members and guests in attendance.

There were no speakers. The meeting was devoted to the Virginia Fall Classic (www.vafallclassic.org) which will be held Oct 22-24.

Items discussed were:

There have been 4000 hits on the web site in the last month.

There are 40 tickets available for the Fri. evening Dinner and Music

Swap meet spaces available for \$25 each.

There are 110 cars preregistered.

This year, as last, the council members will be able to setup a membership table, contact Hal Hartel (hardhar@cox.net)

Up Coming Shows

Nov 6 - Benn's Church car show & fall festival - 14571 Benns Church Blvd, Smithfield, No registration fee.

Nov 7 - 4th Annual Classic Cruisers Car Club Winter Classic, Location: Cheeseburger-in-Heaven, Horndby Lane, Newport News see www.ccccfva.org

Nov 13 - Middle Peninsula Classic Cruisers Presents "Shop with a Cop" at the Gloucester Main Street Shopping Center, All Years, Makes & Models.

The original Classic Car Cruz-in in Grafton/Yorktown in Harley Davidson parking lot at 6450 George Washington Mm Hwy. for 1990 & earlier cars ended on Oct 16th. This year \$6,000 has been given to charity.

See www.vpccc.org for more details.

The Nov. meeting will be held on Thur. the 18th at the Coxton Collision Center-Gold Team. This meeting is a summary for the meet and election of officers for 2011.

Submitted by Don Baker

CCCHR Report

The meeting's discussion was on ways to increase the Spring Fling Car Show attendance. Where do all the cars go instead of attending the show?? The Toys for Tots Car Show is 11 December, 2010 at 2211 Frederick Blvd. in Portsmouth. Submitted by Viator Trudeau

CLCHRR TOURS REPORT

Please join us Saturday, November 6, for a driving tour to the Annual Fall Car Show of the Cadillac & LaSalle Club of Central Virginia. The Show will be held at Moore Cadillac in northwest Richmond. Other luxury makes are invited - Imperials, Lincolns, Packards, etc. - which should make an especially interesting event. Weather permitting, we should bring our classic cars, of course.

We plan to meet for breakfast at 9:00 a.m. Saturday at the Surrey House Restaurant, 11855 Rolfe Highway (Route 31) in Surry, Va. Then we'll ferry across the James River & caravan up scenic two-lane Route 5 to I-295 around Richmond to the Show. Maps will be provided at our breakfast.

Let's support our neighbor Region, see some "new" old cars, and have a fun trip, all at the same time.

Contact Bob Geiger (757-253-6501 or bohnlettygeiger@aol.com if you have any questions.

Come join us!

Submitted by Bob Geiger

SPECIAL MEETINGS

Our Christmas Meeting will be on Tuesday Dec. 7th at 7pm, at the Smithfield Station in Smithfield, VA.

We will get our own area and will order from the menu. We have been there before and will be a good time for all.

Our Epiphany Meeting will be on Tuesday Jan 4th at 7pm, at The Vinyards in Kiln Creek in Newport News, VA.

Many thanks go to the Bakers for making the reservations for these meeting locations.

ELECTIONS COMING

The night of this meeting is the national elections. Be sure to vote before coming to the meeting so we can clean up the current trash we are dealing with now. But more closer to our hearts, we need to nominate our regions officers so we can vote the new slate in December. We have many members who can fill the positions and make a difference.

PARTS AND CARS FOR SALE

"95 Cadillac 100" Stretch Limo for sale, 134K miles, White w red interior seats eight in back. \$5,000. call 757-4898-8968. for more details.

2 - "78 Cadillac Coupe deVilles for sale, one has nice body and the other has nice interior, get the pair for only \$1,500. call Everette Hogge in Newport News for details, 757-930-0343. He just has too many cars right now and wants to trim the fleet. Also nice "78 Olds "98" is for sale for \$1,500.

PARTS: Nice windshield for "59 Cadillac for sale, no cracks or chips, only \$100., call Ed Murmillo at 757-362-8398. Can be picked up at Ed's Rods N Recks.

WINTER HINTS

We are going into the cool and cold weather and our vehicles need to be ready for the harsher climate, especially if we are traveling farther north.

Cooling System: When was the last time you flushed your system and put in fresh coolant? Needs to be done every 4 years or so.

Tires: Your tire pressure changes with the temperature so check them often in the fall and spring. How good is the tread and how old are your tires? Over 5 years? Time to get new ones. Check for cracks in the sidewalls and uneven wear on the tread.

Battery: If your battery is more than 4 years old, it needs to be replaced. Cars 10 years old or newer need new batteries after 3 years, due to all the electronics that drain it while sitting in the garage.

Lights: make sure they all work and are bright enough. It is important to see and be seen.

Wipers and Windshield Fluid: Check and replace your wipers for the winter and fill your WW reservoir with winter blend fluid that won't freeze when it gets below 32 degrees. Make sure your defroster works.

Brakes: If your brakes haven't been replaced in a few years, have them checked and replaced if needed. The stopping distance is greater in the winter.

Emergency Kit: First Aid Kit, Blankets, drinking water, flash light, small shovel, windshield scraper, gloves, jumper cables or jumper box, cloths towels, and snacks that store well.

Clean up: Keep interior clean and outside clean to cut down on salt effect on the finish.

All this is from the article in the VA Pilot 10/15/10.

HUMOR CORNER

Kids say the funniest things:

A new teacher was trying to make use of her psychology courses. She started her class by saying, "Everyone who thinks they're stupid, stand up!" After a few seconds, Little Larry stood up.

The teacher said, "Do you think you're stupid, Larry?"

"No ma'am, but I hate to see you standing there all by yourself!"

The math teacher saw that Larry wasn't paying attention in class. She called on him and said, "Larry, What are 2 and 4 and 28 and 44?" Larry quickly replied, "NBC, FOX, ESPN, and the Cartoon Network!"

WHAT CADILLAC DEALER IS NEAR ME?

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

Action Cadillac in Portsmouth. www.actioncadillacgmc.com

Duke Cadillac in downtown Suffolk. www.dukecadillac.com

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

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Directions to the Crab Shack on the James, 757-245-0421: Travel 64 from either direction, exit onto Mercury Blvd. going west to James River Bridge, after approx 5 miles, pass Warwick Blvd, turn right at Huntington Park and then left to fishing pier and the restaurant.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR AND COME!

2 NOV CLCHRR Meeting Crab Shack on the James, NN, VA

7 DEC CLCHRR Meeting Smithfield Station, Smithfield, VA

4 JAN CLCHRR Meeting The Vinyards in Kiln Creek, NN, VA

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