



Caddy Corner

Cadillac & LaSalle Club, Florida Suncoast Region

Promoting fellowship with people of similar interests in Cadillac and LaSalle automobiles.

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CLUB OFFICERS

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Len Berman

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Eileen Jevcak

Treasurer:

Gordon Koncelik

Membership Director:

Dotty Bellefleur

Activities Director:

Terry Sparks

Newsletter Editor/Publisher:

Paul Simcock

MONTHLY MEETINGS:

All meetings are held the second Tuesday of every month. The doors open at 6:30 p.m. The meeting will start at 7:00 p.m. with a program of interest to both the men and the ladies.

UPCOMING MEETINGS: Due to Coronavirus, monthly meetings have been cancelled until further notice by the Region Director.

EVENTS: The next activity is **On Hold** (See details in the Activities Director's Report in this newsletter).

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Car Photo?*

Test your overall knowledge of various Cadillac imagery. Find out the answer by emailing the Editor.





Florida Suncoast Region CLC Consolidated Meeting Reports June 30th, 2020

Treasurers' Report. On behalf our Club Treasurer for the reporting period ending May 31st, the Regional Director reports that the Region's bank balance continues to be very healthy and financially sound. There were no expenses payable this month. We had no income. No new member dues and no renewal dues were received this reporting period for 2020. For current bank balance, please contact our Regional Director.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gordon Koncelik
Treasurer, Florida Suncoast Region,
Cadillac & LaSalle Club



Membership Report. Our website is working for us. We have been contacted by three people this month regarding membership in the Florida Suncoast Region CLC. First I would like to welcome Steve Douglas, a lawyer from St. Petersburg. He has a 1977 Coupe de Ville. Next I would like to welcome Albert and Janice Forster who have recently retired to The Villages. They have: 1967 DeVille Convertible; 1974 Fleetwood; 1974 Eldorado Convertible; 1976 Coupe DeVille; 1976 Seville; 1978 Eldorado Coupe; 1978 Fleetwood Brougham; 1988 Allante; 1993 Fleetwood Brougham; and a 1996 Fleetwood Brougham. Badges have been ordered. Late yesterday we received notice of a gentleman from Sarasota requesting information about our club. I will be following up on his request tomorrow. Our membership now has 44 family memberships.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dotty Bellefleur
Membership Director, Florida Suncoast Region,
Cadillac & LaSalle Club



Activities Director's Report.

At this time, activities for our region remain on hold as we carefully keep an eye on the progression of the current health crisis. As always, we hope for some positive news that will enable us to resume some sort of planned activities for the Region.

The Region Director and I have discussed numerous times about future activities. Please refer to the Region Director's Report for the Club's activities status.

We appreciate your understanding and patience while we look forward to better times in a safer environment.

Respectfully Submitted,

Terry Sparks
Activities Director, Florida Suncoast Region,
Cadillac & LaSalle Club



Tips for Summertime Fun

1. Always use sunscreen
2. Limit your exposure
3. Drink - stay hydrated
4. Wear a head covering
5. Dispose responsibly
6. Be courteous - *Enjoy!*

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**Florida Suncoast Region,
Cadillac & LaSalle Club
Director's Report
June, 2020**

Fellow Florida Suncoast Region Members:

I have recently sent our Quarterly Florida Suncoast Region Report to the National CLC and updated our Region's listing in the CLC National Directory. Additionally, I have kept in contact with our Regional Officers regarding Club business as needed. Also, I have continued contact with PoFolks. They are finding their business still being restrictive due to the Social Distancing requirements that they must follow. Because of this, we still cannot meet there. I made it known that we will return there whenever that is possible and safe.

I am happy to report that we have gained new club members and new ads for our newsletter. Paul Simcock, our Newsletter Editor, is doing a superb job keeping our Region Members informed with updates and articles. I asked each of you to take a little time to submit, to our Newsletter Editor, a photo, article, short story or just a brief comment on a favorite old Cadillac/LaSalle or even another make of car.

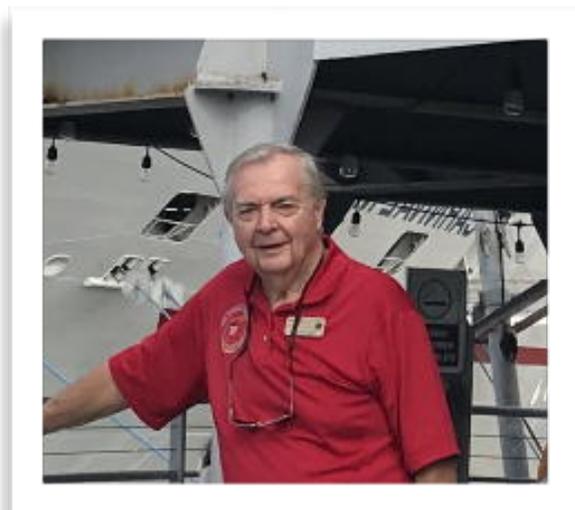
Our Car Club, like many others, has been activity dormant, due to Covid-19, since March. I had hoped by this time I would have a better set of circumstances in which to project the Club's position. With social distancing, facemask mandates, venue restrictions and senior citizen guidelines, group socialization options are restrictive, cumbersome and lackluster.

Unfortunately, at the time of this report, Florida is one of twenty-three other states that has shown a significant rise in Coronavirus cases. Therefore, I plan to wait to the latter part of July to announce anything regarding a plan for future Club activities. By that time the repercussions of group celebratory gatherings, for the Fourth of July, should be known. Also, any further local, state or national regulatory restrictions or limitations should be announced.



Respectfully Submitted,

Tom Jevcak,
Director, Florida Suncoast Region,
Cadillac & LaSalle Club



HOW NOT TO EXPLAIN THE CADILLAC ELECTRONIC LEVEL RIDE SYSTEM TO YOUR WIFE

by
Philip A. Bellefleur

“How would you like to take a spin in the ‘84” Eldorado Dotty?”

“I don’t know. Well, OK. I guess. Wait, what’s that red light?”

“The seat-belt reminder.”

“Oh.”

“...And that sort of buzzing or thumping sound?”

“Just the GMC electronic level-ride motor detecting your presence.”

“Oh, Really?”

“Yah, it measures the weight of people and objects, stuff like that.”

“And how does it do that?”

“Well...it’s complicated.”

“*Humor me!*”

“When I turned the key after you got in...”

“Y-e-s?”

“Your body caused an electronic level ride switch, below the rear axle of the Eldorado to detect an increase in weight. You know, above its normal **curb weight**. When you sat down you added “X” amount of pounds to what’s called the **gross weight**.

“Define “**gross weight**; No, wait, define **X**.”

“See, the factory recorded weight numbers, *right here*, on the driver’s side door post.”

“I don’t like the way this is going, *Philip*.”

“Just hold on a minute,” most of what is being measured is simply that which has been **added** to the **curb weight** of the vehicle. Once you sat down you became...well... part of... what’s called the **gross weight**.”

“So you’re saying my weight is in the part *above* the **curb weight**.”

“Yes, yes that’s what I’m saying, but let me explain: the electronic level ride doesn’t turn itself on at all until the car exceeds its 3913 pound **curb weight**.”

“How much is *that*?”

“Well, 300 pounds, but...”

“Wait...wait Dotty. Where are you going?”

“I’ve decided! Let’s take my Mercedes.

It almost never criticizes me, and **NEVER-EVER** broadcasts my weight!”





*A lady
and her Cadillac*



1957 Cadillac Fleetwood 60 Special



1957 Cadillac Eldorado Biarritz

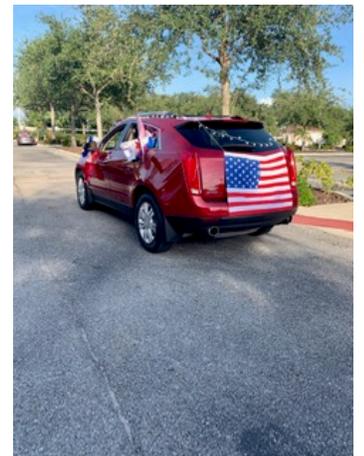


By Sal and Jan Santoro

After a rainy Memorial Day and nearly a week's delay, our community's holiday parade proved to be well worth the wait. With the help of our friends Marv and Sue Rosenfeld, our three classic convertibles were soon adorned with sparkly red, white and blue patriotic garland. Each car sported two American flags. We all got into our respective cars and headed to the designated staging area, the Cascades Clubhouse parking lot. Sal, as the parade's Grand Marshall, positioned our red and white 1984 Eldorado into the lead spot. Accompanying him would be our good friend Carol Ottobre, carrying the parade route directions. I maneuvered our red and white '92 Allanté behind them. To complete Cadillac Sal's Classic car representation were Marv and Sue in our red 2005 XLR.

Surrounding us in the parking lot as we prepared to weave our way through Cascades, in no particular order, were numerous convertibles and golf carts, brightly festooned with all types of red, white and blue decorations, bicyclists on decorated bikes and holding flags and even two brave ladies on their personal scooters, which were decked out in red, white and blue, to match their patriotic garb. As we awaited the final few participants, we were treated to the arrival of a well-decorated yellow VW Bug, a red Cadillac SRX with American flags draped on the front and back and a "THANK YOU VETERANS" sign protruding from the skylight roof window! Another convertible joined us, a patriotic decorated Christmas tree as its tall rear seat passenger.

It was kick-off time, 7 o'clock as our multi-faceted vehicle parade drove out the Cascades Clubhouse driveway. Sal drove as Carol gave directions for the parade's route. No practice for us – this was our first such community effort. Sal set a slow and steady pace as we wove up and down, in and around all of Cascade's streets, not missing a single one. The residents of the community were out in force, waving, cheering, taking pictures and videos. There were even spots of patriotic music playing, people chanting "USA, USA" as well as some old-fashioned wooden spoon and pot banging! From the crowd's reaction, our (first annual?) Cascades Memorial Day Parade was certainly a grand success! We wove our way back to the Clubhouse, as some of the participants dropped out as they reached their houses. At the end of this fun-filled event, as our three Classic Cadillacs were returned to their home in fabulous Fleetwood, we were certain we heard them whispering: "Remember, Fourth of July is coming soon!"



A Good Time Had By All!

Caddy Corner Chatter

“MEMBER ACTIVITIES DURING COVID-19”

Gordon Koncelik:



Gordon is staying busy with his large international student family by video chatting with them all over the world. He had a few of them over to his home to cook some Indian food, help him polish his car “Betty”, 1962 Cadillac Series 62 Sedan and go to the beach. He is also going to the Bay Pines War Veterans Memorial Park early Friday mornings to do his exercises with his international granddaughter from Russia.



John & Frances Wiles:

Frances tell us that these days John is staying busy constructing birdhouses for all those wonderful species that grace their very beautiful and spacious backyard home sanctuary.



Bill & Cathy Winkler:

Bill says Cathy and he have been hunkered down since early March. All car related shows are cancelled for 2020. Sadly, his 1993 Allanté is covered up in storage with a battery tender and he doesn't know when he will see it again. Their world seems upside down 🙄😓 right now and they are just trying to stay safe.



(Caddy Corner Chatter Continued)

Tom & Eileen Jevcak:



Eileen Jevcak has been cutting flowers from their yard and pond to display on the kitchen window shelf. She has acquired flour, to go with the yeast, and is getting ready to bake bread. Tom Jevcak has been busy doing home repairs and yard work. For Flag Day, Tom made a display of American Flags on sticks that circled around their flagpole that was flying a much larger American Flag.



Joy & “Doc” Brinley:

Joy just returned on Sunday from spending 10 days caring for her Mom at her home in Lake Placid. In addition to spending time with her, she did some heavy duty yard work pulling up some shrubs that had been overtaken by fern and vines. Michael has been home trying to keep up with mowing. They’ve had a lot of rain so it needs to be mowed every few days. Their church, thankfully has reopened for gathering with social distancing in place. They are very thankful.

Their big news is that they just bought a new 2020 Toyota Rav 4. It was a toss up between that and getting another Subaru but they opted for the Toyota. It's a beautiful red color called Flare Red. It has lots of safety features and gadgets which takes some getting used to. Joy and Doc send best wishes and hope everyone is well and staying safe.

Bill & Joy Curnoe: “Greetings from Canada”

They are doing fine. Joy is doing great after three surgeries last winter to fix her broken arm. Finally, they can look forward to putting this behind them. Thanks to all who sent cards and emails, each one meant so much and was such a nice surprise! They missed their winter in Florida and the Cadillac Club but have kept up with club activities through Eileen and Tom.

Their province has partially opened up as of Friday. Restaurants can now open their patio’s.....they can have up to ten people in the house or on the deck. It’s certainly been an adjustment, so far, all of their car events have all been cancelled. They are missing so much but they are well and that’s the main thing.

They hope to see everyone next fall; it will depend on Covid-19, of course, but they have their fingers crossed. They tell us we have a pretty special car club and they feel very fortunate to be part of it.

(Caddy Corner Chatter Continued)

Rich & Marge Fedor:

The Fedor Family has had an eventful 2 1/2 months. On April 2nd their car was totaled in a red light runner accident. Marge was hospitalized for a few days and then spent six weeks walking with a walker or cane. They bought a new car, a 2019 Honda Accord Hybrid one month ago.

They go out once a week for groceries and doctor's appointments. A week after the car accident, Rich cut off the end of his index finger working on the '58 Lincoln. They feel very lucky that their accidents were not as bad as they could have been. Once the virus is gone, they will be back to normal.

Fred & Wendy Heitzenroder:

They are both doing fine. They have not gone anywhere or done anything. The Cadillac has been in the shop for a tuneup and safety check.

Helen Savoie:

Trying to downsize. Cleaning closets. Her husband was both a custom and classic car guy.

Paul Simcock:



Paul has been busy working on washing and polishing his two Cadillacs; a 1993 Polo Green Allanté and a 2013 Silver Metallic Premium ATS Sedan. He recently took delivery on some new custom embroidered floor mats for his Allanté. A friend made him a very unique hand-painted cotton cloth mask. Particularly apropos, since he owned a spectacular 1955 Cadillac Coupe DeVille that he restored over a 14-year period. The car went to a very wealthy collector in Stuttgart Germany six years ago.



Items for Sale



Up for sale is a stunning **1960 Cadillac Fleetwood Parade Car**. This car has no top, but has been finished very nicely. It has a full tonneau top to protect the upholstery and includes a zipper opening for the driver. This is a very unique car yet maintains the original look and feel of the '60 Fleetwood. This is an enjoy the sun...be seen in a real attention-getter. I have many pictures available (*stored*) online. Please contact me for a link to SNAPFISH®. The vehicle is offered at \$29,000.00 with all reasonable offers considered. The car is located in suburban Chicago. **My contact information:** Cell 224-217-3637 (*call or text*), or email marty@colgancommodities.com



1993 Cadillac Allanté Tail Light

Up for sale, a fine quality OEM (RH) tail light from a well-maintained '93 Allanté. All gaskets are in as new shape and the Allanté script is as it came from the factory. Asking \$275.00. For further details call 352-232-7301 or email the Editor at: cablewood@hotmail.com



Cadillac



Beautiful 1957 Ford Thunderbird!



Up for sale is this most spectacular example of the iconic '57 Ford Thunderbird finished in Torch Red and powered by a Ford Cobra 4.7L 289 cu. in. powerful V8 with automatic transmission. The car is showing 51,653 miles on the odometer which is undocumented. Comes with a desirable removable hardtop featuring the classic port hole windows. *The car does not have a soft top. Car cover included.* Fit and finish is excellent as well as all the chrome brightwork. Factory wires and great 1.5" correct white wall tires. Located in Spring Hill, FLAsking \$25,500. Contact Denise Paternoster at 917-902-8478 or email her at: dmp423@gmail.com for details.



A Word From the Editor: Paul Simcock



A few reminders: If you would like your “story” to be featured in the newsletter, please submit your article along with some photos, if you wish. All articles, business cards and ads are due by the 15th of each month.

If you have a pre-published article you would like to submit; those are also welcome. Please include copyright information so we can properly give credits to the source or author of the article or piece. Any reproduction of this newsletter content, *in whole or in part*, without prior permission is strictly prohibited by law.

Also, we offer free advertising for cars & parts in our regional newsletter to current paid Regional members. These ads do not have to be just for Cadillacs or LaSalles. Regional members may also run their business cards for cars, or non-related ads for \$25.00 for a 4-month ad. A Non-member can take out a 4-month ad (*up to one page including photos*) for \$25.00. Non-member ads must be car related and you must state an asking price.

Part\$ and Apparel for \$ale



GM Club Apparel

<https://gmclubapparel.com/collections/clc-florida-suncoast-region>

July 2020 Birthdays

- Fred Heitzenroder 7/19
- Gordon Koncelik 7/24
- John Wiles 7/30
- Paul Simcock 7/31

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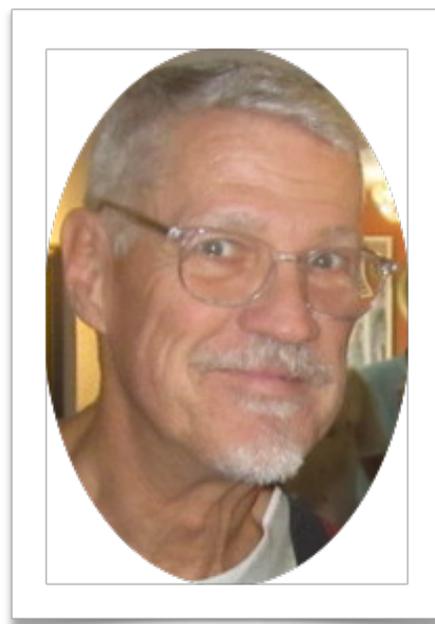


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The “20th Anniversary” Logo Embroidered On Your Personal Items

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Now that club member Gene Binion has the “Master” embroidery machine, he can embroider the logo you provide, with some size restrictions. For instance, a seven inch diameter logo on a tote bag. Therefore, a smaller diameter logo on a shirt/polo would be priced accordingly less. Example: a three and one-half inch logo on your bring your items to a meeting and you can’t come to a meeting or monthly mailing your item to him will work as well. If you activity, you can contact Gene at his email pappysstitchery@gmail.com or phone him at (727) 272-1045.



Binion has the “Master” in his club’s special logo on whatever item restrictions. The cost is based on the size of the logo. Gene is offering a special deal on a tote bag for \$25.00 including the bag. A logo on an item you supply, would be a three and one-half inch logo on your bring your items to a meeting and you can’t come to a meeting or monthly mailing your item to him will work as well. For further questions - pappysstitchery@gmail.com or phone



BECOME A MEMBER

Cadillac & LaSalle Club, Florida Suncoast Region

Membership is open to anyone owning or having an interest in Cadillac or LaSalle Automobiles.
You Do Not have to own a Cadillac or LaSalle to join.

The Cadillac & LaSalle Club, Florida Suncoast Region membership dues are \$25.00 per year. Being a member is a way to participate in the Club's monthly meetings, activities and fellowship with other car enthusiasts. Also, it is a great way to learn more about your car and cars of other club members. A monthly Newsletter will keep you informed of all Region Activities. Many of our members are located in the Central Gulf Coast area, but we routinely welcome and have current members in Central and North Florida.

Mail your completed application form and check payable to "CLC, Florida Suncoast Region" to:

CLC, Florida Suncoast Region
c/o Gordon Koncelik, Treasurer
2898 Meadow Lake Avenue
Largo, FL 33771-2486

2020 Membership Application/Renewal Form

(Membership Consists of Two Members per Household.)

Those joining October - December will include membership for the following year.

New Member _____ or Renewal _____ Date _____
Name(s): _____

NEW MEMBERS: Below, please print the exact name(s) for two complimentary club name badges.

Address: _____

Email: _____ Phone # _____

Cadillac or LaSalle vehicle(s) owned *(use separate sheet for additional cars).*

Year: _____ Model: _____ Year: _____ Model: _____

Year: _____ Model: _____ Year: _____ Model: _____

Member of National Cadillac LaSalle Club? Yes: _____ No: _____

National Member # _____ National Membership Renewal Month: _____

NATIONAL MEMBERSHIP IS REQUIRED. YOU CAN JOIN OR RENEW THE NATIONAL AT THIS SITE:
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I authorize use of my information for club purposes only: Yes _____ No _____

Signature: _____

Club apparel is available for purchase. Inquire at monthly meeting or club website.