



Caddy Corner

Cadillac & LaSalle Club, Florida Suncoast Region

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

Website: <https://www.cadillaclasalleclubflorida.com/>

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CLUB OFFICERS

Region Director:

Tom Jevcak

Vice Director:

Len Berman

Secretary:

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, in-person monthly meetings have been cancelled until further notice by the Region Director.

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

*Can you Guess
the Car Photo?*

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



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Florida Suncoast Region CLC Consolidated Meeting Reports October 31st, 2020

Treasurers' Report. On behalf our Club Treasurer for the reporting period ending September 30th 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 additional income from any sources this month. We had income of \$25.00 for 2020 / 2021 new member dues. For current bank balance, please contact our Regional Director.

Respectfully Submitted,

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



Membership Report. We continue to have a good response from our Suncoast Region CLC website requesting information about membership. We have a response from Robert Umholtz with his membership application. He has a white 1965 DeVille convertible which was featured in the last newsletter. Our membership is now 45 family memberships.

Respectfully Submitted,

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



Activities Director's Report.

Dear Florida Suncoast Region CLC Members,

The COVID-19 virus has stopped my planned activities for the Club. Without a clear and safe direction, for the time being, my duties will continue to remain on hold. I hope that everyone stays healthy and safe.

Respectfully Submitted,

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



*From Tom Jevcak, your
Region Director...*

FLORIDA SUNCOAST REGION,
CADILLAC & LASALLE CLUB
ELECTION NOTICE

Our Constitution states that our Region Election of offices be published in the December newsletter with the election in January. By our constitutional term limits, the open officer positions will be that of Region Director and Region Activities Director.

Our Constitution requires the individual choosing to run to submit their own name. Therefore, I am requiring that all those seeking an officer position, to send their own name and what office they are seeking, to our club's Secretary, Eileen Jevcak, by November 15, 2020.

(Eileen's email address and contact information is always sent to you in an email on the first of each month along with our club newsletter.)

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

Fellow Florida Suncoast Region Members:

Since March of this year, we have had an increase of new members and inquiries to our website over the same timeframe last year. I feel this is due to people having more time to surf the web looking for Cadillac information. They land on our Region's Website and see our Region's most interesting and informative Newsletter that Paul Simcock produces. Now, more than ever, the Newsletter remains an important facet of our club. Therefore, please contribute any articles, no matter how long. Also, an interesting photo with a caption would be great.

Many thanks to our Membership Director, Dotty Bellefleur, for her quick and informative response to those seeking membership information via our website. Gordon Koncelik, is also doing a fine job as our Treasurer, with the additional revenue from Memberships and Newsletter Ads. Therefore, as you can see, our Region is "riding" smoothly. Looking forward to when things return to normal and seeing everyone again.



Respectfully Submitted,

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





1970 Fleetwood Brougham, Cadillac Motor Car Division

It takes years and years of dedication to excellence. Only total dedication to building the world's finest luxury car, solidly based on a long tradition of superiority, could achieve the greatness of the new 1970 Cadillac. You recognize greatness in its distinctive and youthful styling. You sense it in the comforts and conveniences of Cadillac's elegantly appointed interiors. You experience greatness in the brilliant performance of its big 472 V-8 engine and in its easy handling. Discover all the ways that total excellence enhances your motoring pleasure in the great new Standard of the World.





Let's Hear It for Buick By Paul Simcock

It was the summer of '63 when a New England paperboy saw his first dream car. I was collecting the weekly .60 cents for delivering the afternoon edition of the Herald News when I went to the front door of the elderly Ryder residence. The daughter answered the door and said that they were putting her parents in a nursing home.



I was shocked and very saddened because I had become very close to Mr. & Mrs. Ryder as one of my most favorite customers. The daughter said if I knew anyone interested in the Buick sitting in the garage that it was going to be sold. I peered in the garage and there sat a stunningly beautiful 1949 Buick Sedanette with less than 40K miles on it. It was almost surreal to me because the car was a snapshot in time, *perfectly preserved* and a time capsule reminder of a much more genteel and wonderful era of days gone by.

I bought the car even though I didn't have a license yet and arranged to put temporary plates on it and my father drove it to my uncle's apple orchard where I was permitted to "store" the car in one of the barns on the property. I paid the tidy sum of \$250.00! The Buick had the sturdy straight eight with a 2-barrel carburetor. I was surprised when I discovered the unique starter underneath the gas pedal! The car also had the optional massive chrome bumper guards front and back. I enjoyed rumbling through the apple orchard on bright sunny days on the dirt roads testing my young driver skills...without AC of course!

Powered by the famous sturdy DynaFlow™ transmission, the Buick moved along with great authority. The mohair seats were like new reminiscent of the day it left Detroit. I learned later that *only* the RoadMaster had the portholes on the side of the front fenders. The dashboard was massive and built like a Sherman Tank with an interesting steel swirl pattern that adorned the dash between the instruments. The steering wheel seemed huge and oversized to me as a young boy with unmistakable large chrome horn ring.



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The AM radio got perfect reception and the antenna was uniquely mounted directly in the middle of the windshield situated above the center post and could be adjusted by hand to "fine-tune" the radio station reception. The hood opened either right or left, side-to-side; a very unique early Buick build feature. Yes, I do remember those wonderful sunny summer days of riding through the apple orchard with my high school friends which brings me back to a much better time when youth was pure innocence, respect for elders was paramount and made in America was a proud heritage representing the benchmark by which all cars were made in the world.

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 \$25,800.00 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



2020 Gran National Winners

We are very pleased to report that our very own Jan Santoro won 2nd Place in **Personalized Cars** for this year's virtual Gran National meet held during **People's Choice** competition September 16th- 23rd. Her 1947 Woodie Wagon represented the unique character of Cadillac Engineering. Her 2005 red Cadillac XLR also placed 2nd in the category **2000-Present** during the competition. **Best of Show** Gran National winner went to a 1933 LaSalle 668 Convertible Coupe owned by Jim Wilson of Richmond, Va. To view all the Gran National winners, go to: www.cadillaclasalleclub.org/page/virtualcarshow



1947 Woodie Wagon
Jan Santoro • Sarasota, Fla. • Second Place



Stunning 1957 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 \$22,500 or OBO. 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 copyright 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>

November 2020 Birthdays

Rich Fedor	11/10
Wendy Heitzenroder	11/14
Cathy Winkler	11/21

Get the Most From Your National Membership

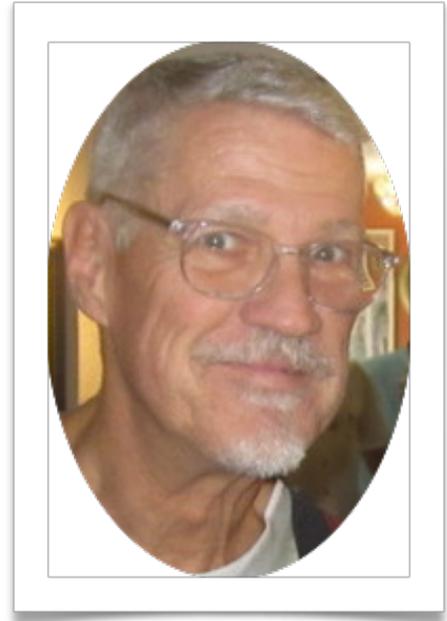
Go to the homepage for National CLC and click on “Forums” for all the latest blog discussions, and major category information on:

- Authenticity Manuals and VIN Data
- Technical Manuals & Bulletins
- Restoration Tips & Techniques
- Parts Availability & Sourcing
- Newsletters Past and Present
- Event Calendar
- Want to Buy



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

Imagine!



Now that club member Gene Binion embroider the club’s special logo restrictions. The cost is based Gene is offering a special deal bag for \$25.00 including the logo, on an item you supply, Example: a three and one-half \$15.00. So, bring your items with him. If you can’t come to your item to him will work as contact Gene at his email - him at (727) 272-1045.



has the “Master” in his machine, he can on whatever item you provide, with some on the size logo you want. For instance, on a seven inch diameter logo on a tote bag. Therefore, a smaller diameter would be priced accordingly less. inch logo on your shirt/polo would be to a meeting and you can discuss it a meeting or monthly activity, mailing well. For further questions you can 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:
[HTTPS://WWW.CADILLACLASALLECLUB.ORG](https://www.cadillaclasalleclub.org)

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.