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Coming Events



**Alameda
Car Show**
Saturday,
October 11th

Park Street, Alameda, CA

**CLC NorCal
Planning Meeting**
Sunday, November 9th

ButterCup Grill,
Oakland, CA



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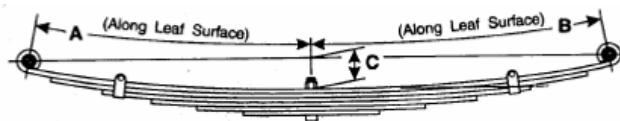
Cadillac-LaSalle Club

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Message From The President

In a few months it will be election time for our club. We need more of the membership to take an interest in running the club. Think about becoming a board member. It does not require a great deal of your time. The board meets 4 or 5 times a year, usually on a Saturday or Sunday. Being on the board will give you an incentive to attend club events and you will have an input on what the events will be. The board will be forming a nominating committee around the end of October and we may contact you, asking you if you will be willing to serve on the board. We hope you will say yes. Remember you do not have to wait for us to contact you, just contact me or return the form below and I will take care of the rest. You can reach me at 415/387-8965 or donald_barnes@msn.com.

My 1937 Cadillac had a broken rear leaf spring. I start searching for new springs, and after making 6 or 7 phone calls I discovered Eaton Spring in Detroit Michigan (phone 313/963-3839). This company has been in business since 1937 and has over 24,000 original manufacturer's spring blueprints. They even had a pair of rear leaf springs for my car in stock; they shipped them out promptly and I received them a week later. If any of you knows of a good source for parts let me know and I will get the information out to the rest of the members.



Check the Newsletter and calendar of events for information on the November Planning meeting. We need your input on what you would like the club to do in 2009. Hope to see you there.

Don Barnes

Call for Candidates

2009 NorCal CLC Board of Directors

The annual election of Board Members is coming up in first quarter 2009. If you would like to be considered for a seat on the Board, please fill out this form and send to Don Barnes, 1342 Cabrillo St.; San Francisco, CA 94118. You can also call 415-387-8965 or email Donald_barnes@msn.com to express your interest. You must be a member in good standing in both the Regional NorCal CLC and the National Club, and you must be a resident of California. Elected members serve two-year terms, Members-at-Large serve one-year terms. The Club needs your participation!

Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____

Introduction (Briefly, tell us about yourself – use additional paper as necessary) :

Why I'd like to serve on the Board: _____

A Word From The Tour Director

Sorry I missed some of you who attended Ironstone this past weekend. Reminiscent of Portal Park a few years ago, by 11:30AM the temperature had already reached 99 degrees. Although I would have enjoyed a closer look at this splendid display and socializing with people I hadn't seen in ages, after a quick dash through the gift shop I was forced to take my leave. So, while others braved the sweltering heat, I was comfortably ensconced in the dining room of the Murphys Hotel with an icy beverage and pondered the charm of this annual event. The grounds are beautiful, if a bit hilly, and lovely trees surround the area without providing much practical shelter from the broiling sun. Dozens of wonderful cars and some classic wooden boats were scattered hither and yon, as well as fire engines, commercial and military vehicles, and even buggies and wagons. For me, a delightful fringe benefit was sharing a charming cottage with the Ricci's. Having distributed invitations to most participating Cadillacs on the field, we hosted a small open house gathering after the show. Later, an impromptu tour of a local restoration shop highlighted the evening, followed by a very late dinner. While several people *may* have resembled raisins after a full day in the sun, everyone claimed they had a great time!



As I write, this coming weekend our North-South meet is looming large. Since we will be on the coast I probably needn't worry about scorching temperatures or finding shade. However, a little worry has arisen due to the small number of members that have signed up. Typically, a core group of old timers reserve early, with some last minute RSVP's, and the event sells out. Not so this year and our fingers are crossed, hoping for an eleventh-hour flood of reservations. Tours of Hearst Castle predominate but there is plenty else to see and do. So, if you've been on the fence about attending, it may still not be too late...

The weekend after the N/S is the "classic car" show in historic downtown Alameda ... an official CLC event similar to a friendship day. The fall-like weather is always balmy and the local merchants roll out their welcome mats. Amid turn-of-the-century buildings are plenty of coffee shops, restaurants, rustic antiques and quaint boutiques ... anything you might want or need, actually. We'll park together as a group, stroll around, and just hang out. An optional group lunch is available.

Please plan NOW to attend the **November Planning Meeting** (RSVP elsewhere in this newsletter) and **December Holiday Party** (details next month). As times are rapidly changing in our formerly secure world, one constant source of pleasure is gathering with friends and sharing time together over a meal and/or cocktails. Your support is solicited and your input is encouraged because without you, dear member, there is no club.

See you on tour,

Sandy Carrion



The car on the cover...??

Here is Lionel Mattos' latest acquisition... a sporty, two-toned 1939 LaSalle Convertible. We can't wait to see it in person!

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CLC 2008 Calendar of Events

If you have an event or article you would like to submit, please contact the newsletter editor. The **deadline** for all submissions is the 25th of the month prior to the publication date. (*) Indicates an event of interest, but not an official club event.

October



Fri 3rd -
Sun 5th

2008 North-South Meet - San Simeon, CA

Sat 11th
Sun 12th

Alameda Car Show (Details on Page 6)

* Jimmy's 20th Annual Old Car Picnic Speedway Meadows – Golden Gate Park. Sunrise to Sunset. Park on the lawn for a \$20 donation that includes raffle tickets and a chance to win a Picnic favorite award. No need to register; just come on down. For more information, visit www.jimmypicnic.com or call 415/386-2572

Sun 12th

* Car Show at the 2nd Annual Cattlemen's Steak, Beer & Wine Feast. 5012 Petaluma Blvd North, Petaluma, CA. 10:30 AM – 3:30 PM; Car Show parking from 7:30 AM – 9:30 AM, and cars must remain until 3:30 PM. \$20 per Car Show entry, (includes 1 adult admission). \$15/adult; \$5/student & children under 18. Contact Mike Pastryk at 707/486-2270 or email mikep@libertyvalleydoors.com

Sat 18th

* The Nor-Cal Oldsmobile Club would like to invite the Cadillac Club to a "Day of Fun" beginning at Rare Parts, Inc (Specializing in Steering & Suspension Only), 621 Wilshire Avenue, Stockton. CA. Contact Carmen Nickels (209) 740-8994 for all the details.

November

Sun 9th
Sat 22nd

CLC NorCal Planning Meeting in Oakland at the Buttercup Grill

* The Annual San Jose Classic Chevy Club Toy / Food Drive Car Show. The entrance fee for each vehicle is a new toy and non-perishable food item. Cathedral of Faith Church in San Jose; 2375 Canoas Garden Ave, San Jose, CA 95125. 10:00 AM—3:00 PM.

December

Sat 13th

CLC NorCal Holiday Party & Brunch (Details TBD)

May 2009

Sun 17th

* For your long term planning... The First Annual Marin Sonoma Concours d'Elegance. Marin Civic Center, San Rafael, CA. A variety of classic and specialty automobiles will be on display "On The Green" at the Marin Civic Center for everyone to enjoy! Proceeds will benefit Hospice By the Bay. Contact 415/479-9323 or 707/718-2975 or www.MarinSonomaConcours.org.

Marin Sonoma Concours d'Elegance

New Advertiser

We have a new advertiser in The Headliner this month: Modesto Plating & Powder Coating. They offer decorative and industrial finishes: brass, copper, nickel and chrome plating. High polish show chrome, satin or industrial finishes. Powder Coating – 8x8x26 foot capacity; many colors, textures and gloss levels to choose from. See their business card ad in this newsletter, and contact them for a quote at 209/526-2696.



Member Ads

For Sale 1977 Seville. Second owner, 61,300 miles. White with blue vinyl top. Light blue leather interior, which is in excellent condition. Fuel injected, four wheel disc brakes, updated A/C, power windows, power door locks and trunk with remote key fob activation. Bay Area car, always garaged and very well maintained. Original owner's manual, eight track demo tape and many spare parts including fuel injectors, computer, starter, and radio. \$5,400. Bert Bergstrom San Francisco, 415-334-1778 mbbergstrom@sbcglobal.net



For Sale 1927 LaSalle Coupe 303 cu.in. V-8 Mohair interior, New tires, Drive anywhere. Older ground up restoration. Price? Make offer. Contact Ron Pyle. Phone: 916/752-0666, Email: rpyle27@gmail.com



Wanted: Hydramatic trans for 41 Cadillac...Mike Axleberg 707-226-9909

For Sale 1937 V-12 Cadillac Town Car, Series 37-7539 Fleetwood body. Complete four door sedan. Ran perfectly before frame-up restoration was started. Car is disassembled at present. DVD and pictures of car available showing condition immediately before restoration started. No body damage. Personal conditions dictate must dispose of car. Best Offer. No reasonable offer refused. Chance of a lifetime. Contact Charles F. Lee, 415-305-8587, cflesq@hotmail.com.



For Sale: 1938 Cadillac 7523 touring limousine. All original, excellent body -- no dents,dings,or rust; good paint. 25,021 original miles (for real) on 346 V-8 engine, 6 volt. Original broadcloth interior in front, back and on jump seats. Dual side mounts with mirrors, wide white wall tires. 1938 Calif. license plate. Price \$39,000. Contact Frank Saude, 408/621-3783, Santa Clara,Calif.



For Sale: 1976 Eldorado Convertible. Red with white leather interior and parade boot. Vehicle is completely original except for a few minor parts, has always been garaged, and is in excellent condition. 500 V8 with 92,000 miles. Asking \$12,500. John Dillon (650) 455-2591 Pacifica, CA.



For Sale: 1939 Cadillac 60-Special. The 1939-60 Special is black with dual sidemounts. The interior is good, the exterior black paint is fair. It is a "20-footer." Some chrome has been re-done. It has new Diamondback radials. The engine is very strong and it is a replacement motor, I think. You can drive this car anywhere. It starts easily and does not overheat. The radiator was redone when I bought the car. Asking \$18,000. Contact Charles McMillen, Minden, Nevada via email Cmcmill475@aol.com or phone 775/267-2560.



CLC Members may advertise for cars or parts, either for sale or wanted, in The Headliner for three months at no cost. Simply provide the details and preferably a photo to Newsletter Editor Charles Thompson. Contact information is shown on page 4.



Parts For Sale: 1964 Cadillac parts: too many to list but includes body parts, trim, dash cap, interior pieces, hubcaps, etc. all hand picked by collector, in great condition. Due to health issues, owner wants to sell entire lot for \$500/OBO. Must be picked up in Stockton, CA. For information call Darren Quigel (209) 477-1084 or greybeard5150@gmail.com.

ALAMEDA 15TH ANNUAL CLASSIC CAR SHOW

Saturday, October 11, 2008

10AM - 4PM - Rain or Shine

This home-town show has grown over the years and now is strictly limited to the first 300 cars, 1978 and older, so please register right away. Park Street is blocked off, the local merchants set up sidewalk sales, and it becomes a giant friendship day with plenty of coffee shops and restaurants. For the past few years, CLC members have gotten together and parked as a group, had lunch, and hung out all day.... very low key. Alameda is a town of antique shops and other quaint little stores that are fun to browse.... something for everyone to see.

There is no website so applications must be requested by calling **Duane (Lee Auto Supply) at 510-522-8811** or **Robb (Park Street Business Assn.) at 510-523-1392**. This year the cost is \$22, which includes a spiffy T-shirt and goody bag.

On the application please write the **group name as CAD-LASALLE CLUB** so we can all park together! Any questions? Please call Sandy Carrion (510) 522-0536.



1937-1948 Cadillac and LaSalle Specialty Parts

*500 ways to do it wrong and
only one way to do it right!*

I am a retired businessman with several 1940's Cadillacs, and in recent years have had my share of trouble with bronze gears. In the summer of 2005, I was on the CCCA North to Alaska Caravan, driving my 1946 Cadillac, when we experienced a "fail to proceed" situation.

I had retired about six months before the Alaska trip and thought it would be a great little retirement project to design and build a good bronze gear. I could make all of my Cadillacs dependable and the effort would also be a good club project. I did not realize how big an undertaking it would be. I've worked with metallurgists, tool and die makers, engineers and many car club members. Carl Steig taught me a lot and also provided a set of original Cadillac factory drawings.

The bronze gear has incorrectly taken all the blame for what amounts to a system failure. We've identified what causes this system to fail. We have come up with a solution that is not inexpensive, but it works.

If you like touring or just driving your Cadillac or LaSalle, please write, email or call me to get the results of more than 200,000 miles of testing in an actual Cadillac engine.

You can get information presented during the technical seminar held in Washington in January at the CCCA National meeting at our web site at www.ssclassiccomponents.com. I would be happy to send it to you via regular mail also. Contact Jerry Steelman, past director of UMR-CCCA and Northstar Region Cadillac & LaSalle Club, at S & S Classic Components, 411 Washington Ave N, Minneapolis, MN 55401; or phone 612/333-4700.

Rebuilt Water Pumps - \$125.00 (Credit Card sales only)

Water pump leaking? Do you have a 1937 - 48 Cadillac or LaSalle with a water pump that leaks? We rebuild water pumps, using all new modern seals and much larger bushings. The design of the seals is much different than the original and greatly improved. The appearance of the pump doesn't change. Five year guarantee. Water pump must be rebuildable and the belt pulley must be removed before shipping it to us. Use the address above to contact S & S Classic Components.



In Memoriam

Long time CLC member, Bob Briggs passed away on September 17, 2008. Bob, and his nearly life-long friend, Allan Jones have joined in many NorCal CLC events, and they had similar tastes in antique automobiles with Bob owning a 1941 Cadillac Series 6319 and Allan who owns a 1941 Cadillac 60 Special. Bob was known for his feisty nature and his broad smile. It has been an honor to have him in our club, and he will be missed. The following is from the obituary found in the San Francisco Chronicle, September 19.

Robert O. Briggs, who was director of the University of California Marching Band for 24 years and was a beloved member of the Cal Band family for much of his life, died Wednesday at UCSF hospital after complications from surgery. He was 81.

Mr. Briggs joined the Cal Band as a freshman in the fall of 1947 and essentially never left. He was associated with the band as player, assistant director, director and director emeritus for 61 years. "If anyone represented the Cal spirit, it was him," said Robert Calonico, the present band director. "I was a student of his," Calonico said. "He was my friend, colleague and mentor."

Mr. Briggs was fiercely proud of the blue and gold - Cal's colors - and loved to tell new band members that he had marched in four Rose Bowl parades. He was chagrined that Cal's football team had not gone to a Rose Bowl in nearly 50 years, but kept hoping that one year he would be able to lead the band in the annual pageant that is the epitome of West Coast college football. "He was very much a loyal supporter of the university," said Matt Bjork, who played for Mr. Briggs and was a longtime friend. "He bled blue, as we say."

Robert Orlando Briggs was born in Modesto in 1927, attended local schools and, briefly, Modesto Junior College. He enrolled at UC Berkeley in 1947, and played cornet in the band. He was a serious music student and received his bachelor's degree in music at Cal. He served in the U.S. Army as a band member, and after his discharge received a master's degree in music from San Francisco State.

He became band director at Armijo High School in Fairfield, and returned to UC Berkeley in 1967 when he pursued a doctorate in music and became assistant band director. In 1971, he became acting director of the Cal Band and was named director in 1973.

The Cal Band is student run, so Mr. Briggs had to walk a fine line between the sometimes rambunctious students and the usually conservative administration. "He knew how to empower the students," said Bjork, who played tuba for Mr. Briggs, "and he was at the same time always the leader of the band."

Mr. Briggs led the band until he retired in 1995 and became director emeritus. He continued to be involved in the band's activities, particularly in the Cal Alumni band. At least once every football season, Mr. Briggs would don his navy blue uniform to lead the band in one of the many traditional Cal tunes and marches, some of them dating to the early part of the 20th century.

In retirement, he organized the Solano Winds, a community music ensemble in his hometown of Fairfield, and was its conductor for 13 years. Until his health failed this year, Mr. Briggs was a fixture at the Cal Band camp held in late summer in Davis.

"Remember who you are and what you represent," he told generations of Cal band members. "I carry that feeling with me even to this day," Bjork said.

Mr. Briggs never married and leaves no children. "You could say that the Cal Band was his family," said Calonico. "It was a big part of his life."



Cal Band / Courtesy to The Chronicle



2010 Cadillac SRX Crossover

The 2010 Cadillac SRX Crossover is the second generation of Cadillac's car-like SRX SUV. Slated for release sometime next summer, the SRX Crossover gets its styling cues from the Cadillac Provoq concept car shown at the 2008 Detroit auto show in January.



While few details have been released to accompany the photos, we do know that this all-new Cadillac SRX Crossover will have two rows of seating and accommodations for five passengers.



2010 Cadillac CTS Sport Wagon

Our first of the future Cadillacs is the 2010 Cadillac CTS Sport Wagon. Arriving next spring at Cadillac dealer showrooms, the CTS Sport Wagon is a 4-door, 5-passenger wagon available with rear-wheel drive or all-wheel drive. A 263-horsepower 3.6-liter V-6 is the standard Cadillac CTS Sport Wagon powerplant, while a 304-horsepower direct-injection version of that engine -- which runs on the cheapest regular-grade gasoline -- is available as an option.



CTS Sport Wagon buyers will have a choice of six-speed transmissions, manual or automatic.



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A Few Notes on The 2008 CLC Grand National in Cherry Hill, NJ

by Fred Bausch

As I write this, (just before getting on the plane for home) it is a warm sunny Sunday morning in Cherry Hill, NJ, the site of the 2008 CLC Grand National (GN). With a bit over 400 Cad's and LaSalle's on the show field, members from 8 countries in attendance, and some 1100 at the Saturday evening banquet, it is the largest and best GN since Detroit in 2002, which was the Cadillac Motor Car's 100th birthday. The weather cooperated beautifully, with daytime temps in the mid 80's and the humidity in the low 90's, and just enough breeze to make it almost tolerable!

The Saturday car show was slightly disturbed by a 7th floor murder suicide that virtually shut down the hotel, including the stairs and elevators, from 7 AM until 1:30 in the afternoon. Several members who had cars on the field, and had left their keys and such in the rooms whilst they came down for breakfast, had a bit of a problem when the judges came to judge their cars. All went ok though, and eventually all the cars were judged, but it made for a very long day!

There were numerous tours, seminars, banquets, and meetings throughout the week, as always, and included the following; a New Jersey Pine Barren Driving Tour (the kickoff tour on Tuesday), a tour to The AACA Museum in Hershey, a tour to the Allentown Classic Motor Car Museum (Bulgari Collection), a tour to Longwood Gardens and Winterthur, a Maritime tour, and a Historic Philadelphia tour.

There was a special reception on Friday evening honoring the 100th birthday of GM, and the usual banquet and car awards ceremony on Saturday evening.

All in all, there was something for everyone, every day and most evenings. If you have never been to a GN, you might consider making it a family vacation. Next years GN is in Las Vegas in June, and is close --- close enough to consider making it a 1 or 2 day drive. With the hotel about 5 miles south of the "Strip", and just south of the airport, it's an ideal location. There is a free shuttle from the hotel to the strip, and with an 80,000 sq.ft. air conditioned Ballroom (it will hold 175 Cadillac's and LaSalle's) for the Saturday car show, you can enjoy the cars in comfort! MARK IT ON YOUR CALENDAR, NOW!



DATES FOR FUTURE CLC NATIONAL EVENTS

2009	GRAND NATIONAL Las Vegas, June 17-20
	NATIONAL DRIVING TOUR Washington DC, Aug 11-15
2010	GRAND NATIONAL Oberland Park, Kansas July, 14-18
	NATIONAL DRIVING TOUR Seattle Washington, details to be announced
2011	GRAND NATIONAL MEET Columbus, Ohio
	NATIONAL DRIVING TOUR Texas Panhandle, June 8-12
2012	GRAND NATIONAL MEET Florida --- St Augustine, or St Petersburg????
	NATIONAL DRIVING TOUR <i>Proposals are being solicited</i>



ANNUAL PLANNING MEETING

Sunday, November 9, 2008

3:00 PM Meeting and Early Bird Dinner

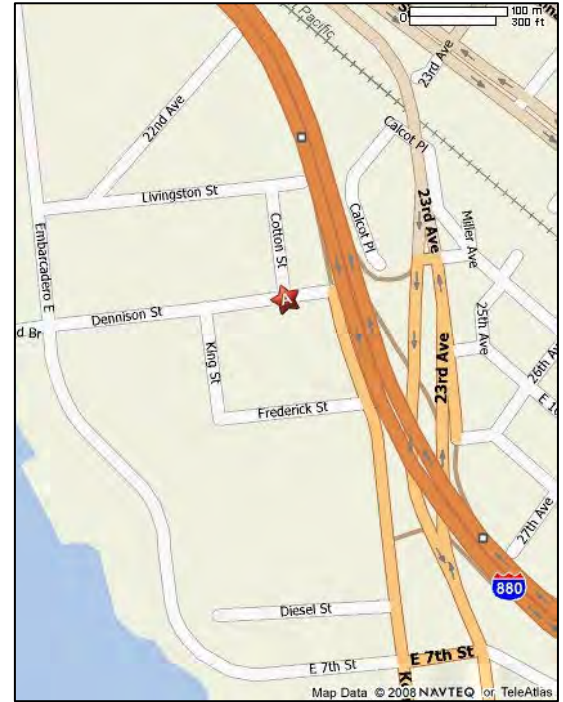
This is one of the most important club gatherings of the entire year! We eat and socialize, brain-storm, and construct our 2009 tour agenda. Members are encouraged to bring their ideas and formulated plans for open discussion and inclusion on our calendar. Without all your ideas and offers to host an event, next years' schedule would be quite empty! No idea is too small to be developed into a fun event for our member's enjoyment. Plenty of *help* is available.... so please consider hosting an event in 2009.

Location and meal format has been changed this year to offer something different, reversing the order to meeting first, then early dinner afterward. We will have table service and our own private room (with windows).

Meet at 3:00PM: Buttercup Grill, 1000 Cotton Street, Oakland, CA 94606 - (510) 535-1640

880 Northbound from San Jose - exit at 23rd Avenue, stay straight to merge onto 23rd, make U-turn almost immediately at signal onto 23rd southbound, right on East 7th Street, right on Kennedy Street, left on Dennison Street and you are there ... corner of Dennison and Cotton Streets.

880 Southbound from San Francisco/Oakland - exit at 23rd Avenue, and slow down to 25mph for immediate first right onto Dennison Street, right onto Cotton Street.



Please RSVP and mail check payable to: **CLC NorCal** to Jerry Brick, 733 Crompton Road, Redwood City, CA 94061-1211. [Deadline is November 5, 2008.](#)

Dinner includes bread, mixed green salad, starch, vegetables, and a non-alcoholic beverage. Choice of Chocolate Silk cream pie or Upside Down Apple Walnut pie with ice cream. Includes tax and gratuity. No-host cocktails are available.

Roast Prime Rib.....	\$23.50	X	_____	=	_____
Fresh Salmon.....	\$23.50	X	_____	=	_____
Chicken Champagne.....	\$21.00	X	_____	=	_____
BBQ Baby Back Ribs - Half Slab.....	\$21.00	X	_____	=	_____
Chocolate Silk pie.....	X		_____	=	Included
Upside Down Apple Walnut pie.....	X		_____	=	Included

TOTAL..... \$ _____

Note: Refunds for late cancellations can be made only if the order can be resold. All orders are prepaid in advance to the restaurant. Thank you for your understanding.



1976 Cadillac DeVille Coupe

\$8,995 VIN: 6D47S6Q190235
 Mileage: 58,825
 Engine: V8; Transmission: 4 Speed Automatic
 Warranty: As-Is; Condition: Pre-Owned Clear Title
 Stock No: P695
 Exterior Color: Fire Mist. Interior Color: Red.
 Factory AM/FM



1997 Cadillac Seville SLS Sedan

\$7,995 VIN: 1G6KS52Y9VU843457
 Mileage: 58,825
 Engine: 4.6L V8 TPI DOHC 32V
 Transmission: 4 Speed Automatic
 Warranty: Warranty Available
 Condition: Pre-Owned Clear Title
 Stock No: P582
 Exterior Color: Frost Beige. Interior Color: Neutral Shale.



Nor-Cal Oldsmobile Club -- Day of Fun

The Nor-Cal Oldsmobile Club would like to invite the Cadillac Club Members to our "Day of Fun."
 Saturday, October 18, 2008 we begin at Rare Parts, Inc (Specializing in Steering & Suspension Only) 621 Wilshire Avenue, Stockton. CA. Phone # (209) 200-2706 or 200-2702, 200-2705

At 11: 00 a.m. Lyle Burgess will take groups for an exciting and informative tour of his specialty shop. Lunch will begin at 11:30 a.m. and will continue throughout the tours. We will be having a 50/50 raffle drawing. Additional raffle items will include (2) donated gift certificates valued at \$100.00 each for suspension work or item from Lyle Burgess, as well as other gifts.

Directions:

From Southbound I-5 Take the Monte Diablo exit, turn right onto Monte Diablo. At the stop sign turn left onto Ryde. In 2 blocks, Ryde will wrap around to Fremont St. First right turn is Wilshire Ave. Rare Parts is at the end on right side.
From Northbound I-5 Use same directions as above but turn Left onto Monte Diablo after exit.

Following our wonderful time with Rare Parts, we will continue to the Haggins Museum at Stockton Victory Park. 1201 N. Pershing Avenue Stockton, CA 95203

The Stockton Art League "Juried Exhibition" is being held with 102 entries on display and artifacts from Stockton's Rich History of the Delta River and Indian Nation as well. Entry Tickets are ages 10-17- \$2.50, adults - \$5.00 and seniors 65 plus - \$2.50. Info regarding other events: www.hagginmuseum.org Distance from Rare Parts 1.47 miles Time 4 minutes – maps to be given out.



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Dick King, Murphys 1913 Peerless Model 48 Town Car





The Ironstone Concours d'Elegance in Murphys

was once again a delicious treat for any car enthusiast. 300 cars were displayed around the beautiful landscaped grounds. Judging was not done on the traditional point system for perfection and authenticity. Rather, the criteria focused more on the overall presentation and elegance of the car, and it's effect on the automotive industry. Only one Best-in-Class is awarded in each class and a number of Awards of Merit are made available for the judges to award.

On this page from upper left are Charles Thompson's 1949 Cadillac convertible. Going clockwise, we see Charles seated next to CLC NorCal Tour Director, Sandy Carrion. At left is a 1940-41 Chrysler Phaeton owned by Lana Turner. Below left is another view of Charles Thompson's '49 Cad with reflections of several Thunderbirds. Below is Frank Kilpatrick's 1936 Series 75 Sedan. To see more detail, visit the website provided below:

http://www.ironstonefoundation.org/winners_2008.html





More photos from the 2008 Ironstone Concours include these shots of Robert and Carol Shultz' 1937 Cadillac Series 7529 convertible. This is the famed Cadillac that was among the first cars to cross the Golden Gate Bridge on its opening day. For a better look back at this nostalgic event, take a look at the video at <http://www.archive.org/details/GoldenGa1936>. A check into Google shows that The Ancient & Honorable Order of E Clampus Vitus is a fraternal organization dedicated to the study and preservation of Western Heritage, in particular the history of the Mother Lode and gold mining regions of the area.

Below are two shots of Paul Price's 1941 Cad Convertible, and it definitely stood out from the crowd.





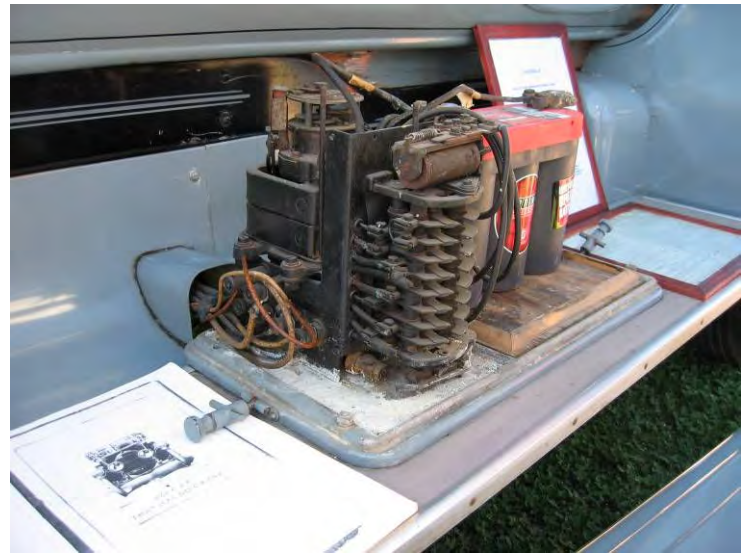
More photos from the 2008 Ironstone Concours include these shots of Don Barnes' 1958 Cadillac Biarritz, friends Bill Alvarado and his guest.



At left are Mike and Carol who invited everyone to visit the facilities at Gold Country Auto Restoration, and meet owner "Mitch" Daniel Alba, who has been restoring classics for over thirty years as well as prototyping for the GM Concept Center. Mitch has restored and worked on approximately 560 vehicles to date. While Mitch mainly concentrates on vintage and exotic automobiles and motorcycles, he's played and fixed everything from submarines, tanks and caterpillars, to steam, gas, and diesel locomotives. Mitch has attended and shown cars at the Pebble Beach Concourse d'Elegance since 1985, with "best of show" wins at Monte Carlo, Meadow Brook, and Pebble Beach. Over the years Mitch has been involved with several Hollywood movies. He built all of vehicles in the movie "Total Recall" with Arnold Schwarzenegger, including the "mole machine" at the end. He built six T-Birds for "Thelma & Louise", all the vehicles for the "Baywatch" pilot, a stunt Jeep and Aston Martin for "Desperate Hours" with Mickey Rourke and Anthony Hopkins, as well as countless others. As if that weren't enough, Mitch now plans to keep chuggin' away at his new location in beautiful Murphys, California. What an unexpected treat this visit was, and we owe a debt of gratitude to Carol and Mike for arranging the visit.

Below are a gorgeous yellow 1962 Cadillac convertible that I believe is owned by Richard and Laura Azzolino of San Francisco, and a 1906 Tourist Model K owned by Bob Mosier of Inglewood.





The 1912 Cadillac Torpedo above is owned by Sheldon “Shel” Ball of Mariposa, CA. At right is a close up of one of the most innovative advancements in automotive development -- the electric switches and batteries that were an integral part of the self-starter. Introduced on the 1912 Cadillac, the self-starter replaced the dangerous hand crank which eliminated the possibility of broken bones from engine kick-back. As Charles Kettering's electric starter eliminated the hand crank, an on-board generator now provided electricity for head and tail lights, making acetylene gas and kerosene lamps suddenly obsolete. The Antique Era, 1886-1915, ended with efficient, self-propelled, self-starting motor vehicles throughout the world. A number of years ago (in the 60's), Shel restored this Torpedo as his auto-shop project at Fresno State College, and he still owns and maintains it to this day.



Above are two shots of a 1911 Oakland 34 Runabout displayed by Norman Schwartz of Lafayette. At right is Bud Juneau's magnificent 1941 Cadillac 60 Special Imperial Sedan that was displayed at the New York Auto Show. It has many special features such as a glass divider and a golden hood ornament. As this car drove onto the winner's platform to receive the best of class award, it was difficult to hear any sound other than the crackle of tires on dried leaves.



Bud Juneau
Brentwood, Ca
1941 Cadillac 60
Special Imperial Sedan
Entry #2
Class D