



# THE HEADLINER

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### Coming Events & Headlines

**Ironstone Concours**  
**Murphys, CA**  
**September 22<sup>nd</sup>**



**Photos from The**  
**Hillsborough**  
**Concours d'Elegance**



**October 10-14, 2012**

**Beyond the Neon**

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2012 CLC National Driving Tour to September 19.





# Message From The Editor

Dear Fellow CLC Members,

Last month, I was lamenting about there being so many car shows and events, I had just about run out of Quick Detailer to keep the dust off of my '49 convertible. Not to worry... my good friend Nick Rassushin presented me with a brand new bottle at the Hillsborough Concours. And it got used immediately.

The Hillsborough Concours was really great. The weather started off a bit chilly, but as the day unfolded, the sun was bright. We had a very good showing thanks to all of the Cadillac & LaSalle members, other Cadillac owners, and to the Academy of Arts University for bringing out two splendid examples of The Standard of the World. See the photos starting on page 9.

If you haven't made your plans for the North-South Meet, October 5-7 at the Apple Farm in San Luis Obispo, you need to do that right now. Everything you need is here – a registration form and the phone number for the Apple Farm. Celebrate Fall with a relaxing weekend with good friends and good back roads.

Take a look at the flyer for the 2013 National Driving Tour – Wow! Tour Leaders Ed Gunther and Bob Fracolli have outlined one of the best driving tour venues ever. Start your planning now for this excellent 5-day tour slated for June 3 – 7, 2013. This not-to-be-missed trip starts in Napa, goes north through the Avenue of the Giants up to Crater Lake and turns back south, down through the Cascade Mountain Range.

If you haven't had an opportunity to get inside one of the showrooms owned by The Academy of Arts University in San Francisco, now is your chance. Most people get to see these cars by pressing their noses up against the plate glass that separates pedestrians on Van Ness Avenue from some of the best vintage cars in the world. October 25<sup>th</sup>, lunch, and cars! Come along with us.

Check our website if you are connected to the internet. [www.clcnorcal.com](http://www.clcnorcal.com) has loads of information and we are so lucky to have David Brick, our Webmaster, do such an outstanding job!

All the Best! *Charles Thompson*



**GREAT NEWS — The Las Vegas Region has extended the deadline to register for the 2012 CLC National Driving Tour to September 19. The October 10–14, 2012 "Beyond the Neon" will be the driving tour to remember! A spectacular event is planned, from the welcome reception on Wednesday evening to the banquet on Saturday night, plus all the scenic driving in between. The tour will be a view of Las Vegas that can't be seen from The Strip.**

As the national coordinators of the driving tour, we and the The Las Vegas Region want to personally invite each of you in your region to the 2012 CLC National Driving Tour. The tours occur during the daytime. This leaves plenty of time in the evening to enjoy Las Vegas or catch up with old and new friends, especially Saturday night with dinner, awards and some special surprises.

We encourage you to register soon and make your hotel arrangements as this is one of the more popular times of the year. When you call the SouthPoint Hotel (1-866-796-7111) mention the CLC Driving Tour to get the great room rate. The registration deadline without a penalty is now September 19.

We have already had a couple of questions as to whether you had to drive a Cadillac to participate because of the distance or cost of shipping. You may drive non-Cadillac vehicles, and the local major car rental companies do offer Cadillacs. If you need a ride, let us know. We just want you to join us for the love of Cadillacs, LaSalles, and driving.

The online registration is up and running. More details and registration forms are at the national web site: <https://www.cadillacclasalleclub.org/meets-and-tours/2012-national-driving-tour>. Please do not hesitate to email (CLC2012DRIVINGTOUR@gmail.com) or call Lauren (702-472-7313) / registration or Carolyn (702-219-2839) if you have any questions. We will see you in October!

Carolyn and Gary Weaver and the Las Vegas Region.



**October 10-14, 2012**

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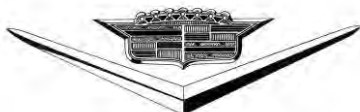
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## CLC 2012 Calendar of Events

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.

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| September 15 | * Danville Concours d'Elegance <a href="http://www.danville-delegance.org/">http://www.danville-delegance.org/</a> |
| September 22 | * Ironstone Concours, Murphys, CA                                                                                  |
| September 29 | * Jimmy's Picnic - Golden Gate Park (see ad below)                                                                 |
| September 30 | * Nostalgia Day Car Show - Livermore <a href="http://www.altamontcruisers.org/">www.altamontcruisers.org/</a>      |

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| October 5 - 7 | <b>North-South Meet, The Apple Farm in San Luis Obispo</b> |
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| October 10-14 | <b>National Driving Tour, Las Vegas, NV</b> |
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| October 13 | Park Street Car Show |
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| October 25 | <b>Academy of Arts &amp; Don Lee Tour, San Francisco, CA</b> |
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| November 4 | <b>NorCal CLC Annual Planning Meeting and<br/>CLC Board Meeting 11:30 AM Harry's Hofbrau, Foster City</b> |
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| November 11 | <b>Veteran's Day Parade in San Francisco or San Jose (Details to follow)</b> |
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## OLD CAR PICNIC

**Saturday, September 29, 2012**

Speedway Meadow, Golden Gate Park  
San Francisco, CA  
7 am to 4 pm

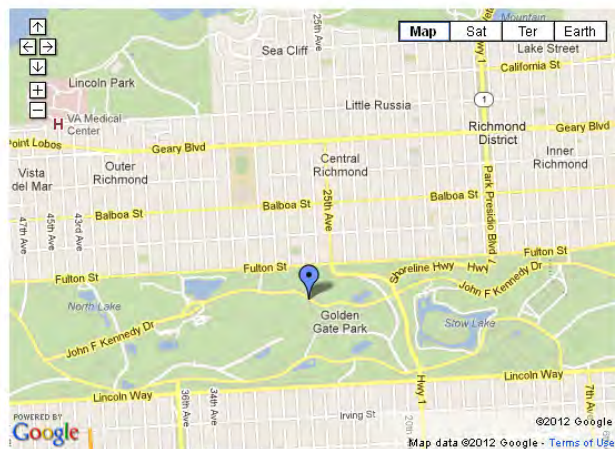
**\$40 car admission / free for walk-ins**  
pre-1980 year limit for vehicles - no exceptions

*Bring your BBQ! Bring your camera!  
Everyone is welcome!!!*

### Directions

Speedway Meadow is located within Golden Gate Park in San Francisco. It's near 30th Avenue, on John F. Kennedy Drive, west of Crossover/Transverse Drive.

**PLEASE NOTE: Vehicles MUST enter the Meadow coming east from Ocean Beach, on JFK Drive. OR enter the Park at 30th Avenue from Fulton, then turn LEFT onto JFK Drive.**



View Jimmy's Old Car Picnic Entrance in a larger map

### Code of Conduct

We are fortunate to be returning for our 23rd year in Golden Gate Park! In order to have a great event, we ask that all attendees follow this simple code of conduct:

- Respect the meadow by parking only in designated areas.
- Parking on Speedway Meadow is a privilege. Drive slowly and carefully on the grass. Do not damage the turf with burnouts.
- Be cordial to your fellow picnickers.
- Please clean up after yourself.
- Use alcohol responsibly.
- Dispose of hot coals in the containers provided, do not dump them on the turf.
- Follow the directions of volunteers and rangers.

The SFPD and Park Police are on duty. Anyone who burns out in their vehicle, spins their tires on the lawn, speeds, or otherwise disrupts this event will be asked to leave and may even be arrested. Citations will be issued for parking and traffic violations. Your actions can threaten the safety of other participants as well as the future of this event!

Jimmy's Picnic has always been about families enjoying the car culture and its camaraderie within the beautiful environment of Golden Gate Park. Please enjoy yourself and respect our park.

**Thank you for attending!**

# CLC California Regions

## Annual North-South Meet

### October 5 - 6, 2012, San Luis Obispo



You are cordially invited to attend the 2012 Annual North-South Meet at the Apple Farm in San Luis Obispo.

**Where to Stay?** You can make reservations at the Apple Farm online at <http://www.applefarm.com> or by calling 800-255-2040 or 805-544-2040. Make sure you mention that you are with The Cadillac and LaSalle Club to get discounted prices.

The Apple Farm offers two choices of accommodations: either the Wine Country Inn or the Trellis Court Motel. The **Wine Country Inn** offers larger, more deluxe accommodations that come with a seating area with a gas fireplace, and a gift basket along with an innkeeper's gift. The **Trellis Court** offers cute country styled rooms that are smaller, less expensive rooms, yet have gas fireplaces and the drive-up ease of a motel.

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| Wine Country Inn: | Deluxe with one king bed .....     | \$169              |
| Trellis Court:    | Standard one king .....            | \$ 99              |
|                   | Standard one queen .....           | \$ 89              |
|                   | One queen with patio hot tub ..... | \$119 all plus tax |

There is also a \$5 credit per night per room included, valid for use at their restaurant. Plus, there is a free wine tasting and snack time in the afternoon at the Trellis area.

**Where to Meet?** Join a tour of NorCal Club members on the drive down to San Luis Obispo. Meet at or before 10:00 AM on the morning of Friday, October 5<sup>th</sup> at the San Jose Airport Garden hotel located at 740 North First St in San Jose. From US-101 S, take the Brokaw Road exit toward First St; merge onto Bayshore; slight right on First St. The tour will leave the hotel at 10:00 AM. Lunch will be at the Wild Horse Café off US-101 S at exit 278 (Wildhorse Road) which is 111 miles from the San Jose hotel. Check-in at the Apple Farm is advertised to be 4:00 PM, but may be able to take you earlier.

**Where to Eat?** Friday evening will be sort of an on-your-own affair. But I recommend The Cracked Crab at 751 Price St, Pismo Beach.

See next page for registration and Saturday buffet choices.





**Where to Eat (Continued)?** Saturday evening will bring a special buffet dinner at The Apple Farm Restaurant. Cocktail and buffet times will be provided when you receive your packet. Please make your selections, calculate your total and send this registration form with your check made out to CLC NorCal to Jerry Brick, 733 Crompton Rd, Redwood City, CA 94061-1211.

## REGISTRATION FORM (Oct 5-6)

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: Home or Cell? \_\_\_\_\_

Make/Model/Year of car you are bringing: \_\_\_\_\_

Buffet Dinner – each one includes salad, entrée, dessert, non-alcoholic beverages and gratuity and tax.

| Dinner Choice (Saturday, Oct 6 <sup>th</sup> ) | Quantity | Price   | Total |
|------------------------------------------------|----------|---------|-------|
| Country Tri Tip Beef                           |          | \$36.00 | \$    |
| Spit Roasted Half Chicken                      |          | \$34.00 | \$    |
| Pasta Primavera                                |          | \$35.00 | \$    |
| <b>Registration per car/family</b>             |          | \$20.00 | \$    |
| <b>TOTAL OF YOUR CHECK</b>                     |          |         | \$    |

The deadline for registration is Sept 27<sup>th</sup>, so make your plans right away!

A Hospitality Suite will be available at the times below. Please come by to socialize, enjoy light refreshments and see who's planning what. The location of the Hospitality Suite will be included in your welcome packet.

**Friday 4:00 PM – 7:00 PM**

**Saturday 2:00 PM – 11:00 PM**

Free wine  
tasting and  
snack time in  
the afternoon  
at the Trellis  
area.



## 2012 Niello Concours at Serrano

**Featuring the Marque of Pierce-  
Arrow & Celebrating Fifty Years  
of the Cobra Honoring  
Carroll Shelby**



PHOTO BY GEORGE SAITAS

**WHEN** - October 7, 2012

Event is open to the public from 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM

**WHERE** - On the Green - Serrano Visitor's Center  
4525 Serrano Parkway  
El Dorado Hills, California 95762

Serrano is located in El Dorado Hills - 25 miles from downtown Sacramento and 90 minutes from Lake Tahoe.

**ACCESS** - Event is open to the public from 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM

**FREE PARKING** - Parking is available on site.

Signage will direct you to parking locations once you arrive at the Concours.

### 2012 SCHEDULE OF THE DAY

**7:00 AM - 10:00 AM** - Car Placement

**10:00 AM** - Judging Begins

**12:00 Noon** - Fashion Show

**3:00 PM** - Awards Presentation

**4:30 PM** - Best of Show Presentation

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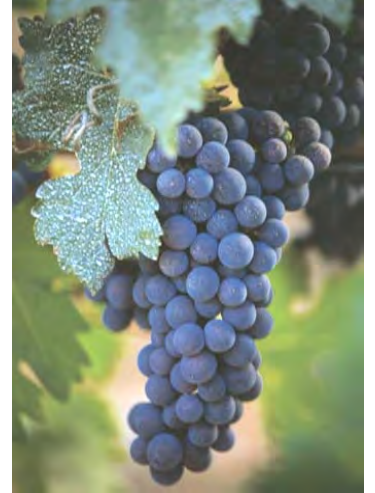
# CRATER LAKE AND MORE!

The Northern California Region CLC Presents a  
National Driving Tour June 3 – 7, 2013

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## NAPA VALLEY WINE COUNTRY

The tour will begin in Napa Valley, one of the premier travel destinations in the world. Breathtaking views abound at every turn – mustard in the late winter, picturesque rolling hills planted with vineyards year-round and wineries of every stature dot the landscape. Whether you are wine tasting, dining at renowned restaurants, pampering yourself with a mud bath in Calistoga, or just enjoying your stay at quaint bed & breakfasts, hotels or resorts ... Napa Valley is a slice of heaven on earth.



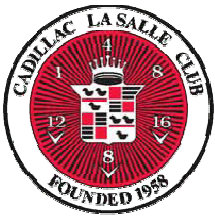
## THE REDWOOD EMPIRE

- Continuing north through magnificent countryside and old growth redwood trees. The **Avenue of the Giants** is a world-famous scenic drive along a 31-mile portion of old Highway 101, which parallels Freeway 101 with its 51,222 acres of redwood groves. It is by far the most outstanding display of these giant trees in the entire 500 mile redwood belt and is accessible to all with convenient services provided along the way. The Avenue of the Giants is surrounded by Humboldt Redwoods State Park which has the largest remaining stand of virgin redwoods in the world.

## CRATER LAKE OREGON

- Crater Lake has long attracted the wonder and admiration of people all over the world. Its depth of 1,943 feet (592 meters) makes it the deepest lake in the United States and one of the deepest lakes in the world. Its fresh water is some of the clearest found anywhere in the world.  
The lake partly fills a nearly 2,148-foot (655 m) deep caldera that was formed around 7,700 ( $\pm$  150) years ago by the collapse of the volcano Mount Mazama. There are no rivers flowing into or out of the lake; the evaporation is compensated for by rain and snowfall at a rate such that the total amount of water is replaced every 250 years.





# CRATER LAKE

♦♦♦ AND MORE! ♦

The Northern California Region of the Cadillac & LaSalle Club is planning an unforgettable National Driving Tour on June 3<sup>rd</sup> through June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2013. Under the leadership of Ed Gunther and Bob Fracoli, plans have been drafted with your driving pleasure and world class sight seeing in mind.

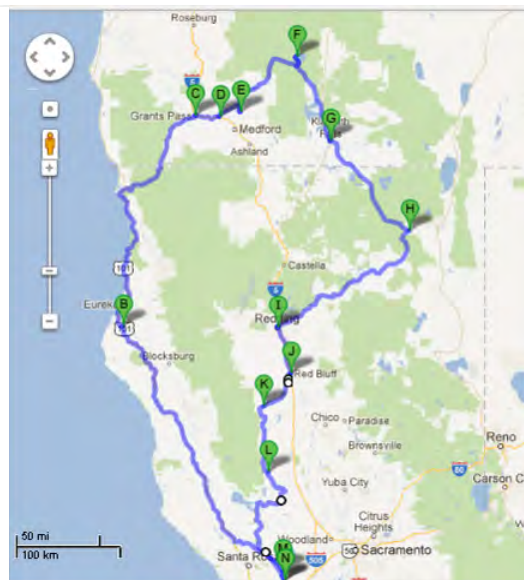
The tour will begin in the world-famous Wine Country of the Napa Valley. We will pass through ancient redwood forests, home to some of the biggest trees in the world, and continue on to the rugged Northern California coast. From there, we'll drive into Oregon to the Rogue River for a white-water jet boat tour and barbeque. Next, we will visit Crater Lake National Park, the deepest lake in the United States. Winding back into California along the base of the Cascade Range, we will come to the northern end of the Sacramento Valley. We will follow the base of the Coastal Range through the valley, and then cross back to Napa.

The trip will follow the path shown on the preliminary map below and is subject to change as Ed and Bob finalize the details.



JUNE 2013

- (A) Napa, CA
- (B) Fortuna, CA
- (C) Grants Pass, OR
- (D) Gold Hill, OR
- (E) Eagle Point, OR
- (F) Crater Lake National Park, Klamath, OR
- (G) Klamath Falls, OR
- (H) Canby, CA
- (I) Redding, CA
- (J) Red Bluff, CA
- (K) Paskenta, CA
- (L) Leesville Lodoga Rd
- (M) Silverado Trail, Napa, CA
- (N) Napa, CA



The 2012 Hillsborough Concours was delightful, and we send Big Thanks to Hal Schutte for his part in this complex and well-organized event. Most photos on this and following pages are courtesy of Jim Serwer and Charles Thompson.

Clockwise from right is Geoff and Katherine Smith's 1957 7059X Eldorado Brougham that won 1<sup>st</sup> in Class C2. Next is Don Barnes' 1958 Eldorado Biarritz that took 2<sup>nd</sup> place in Class C2; and Charles Thompson's 1949 Series 62 Convertible taking 3<sup>rd</sup> place in C2. Next we see Dave Carelli's 1961 triple-white 1961 Coupe de Ville that took 2<sup>nd</sup> place in Class C3.

And last but not least, a shot of all of the judges in the Cadillac and LaSalle Classes: Don Barnes, Charles Thompson, Jay Remich, Carolyn Dippel, Jeff Nielsen, Henry Hopkins, Ed Gunther (Head Judge), Joe McDonald, Bob Fracolli and Jim Sewer. Much appreciation for these volunteers!





Clockwise from above left: Nick Rassushin's 1957 Cadillac Fleetwood 60 Special. Don Barnes' 1937 Cadillac 6049 convertible sedan.

A unique 1952 Cadillac single-seat convertible with a disappearing top, custom designed by Harley Earl.

1974 Fleetwood Eldorado owned by Ms. Barbara Falore of Portola Valley, CA. 16,000 original miles and 1<sup>st</sup> place winner in Class C3.

1954 Coupe de Ville owned by Jim Hearn of Folsom, CA.

A lovely azure blue 1955 Cadillac convertible owned by Rex Lewis of Redwood City, CA.





Below is a smashing polished copper Rolls Royce. Below that: Best of Show winner was Aaron Weiss' 1931 Marmon 145 V-16 Touring. Photo Courtesy of the Hillsborough Concours. Bottom right is Aaron receiving his trophy from two 49'er cheer leaders.



Above: 1940 LaSalle Convertible Coupe owned by Larry & Juana Carter of Los Gatos.

Bottom left: 1914 Oldsmobile Model 54 owned by Wayne Weathers of Foster City.





Above: 1940 Cadillac Series 75. At left and below left: a 1930 Cadillac V16 Roadster. Both owned by the Academy of Art University in SF.

Below: 1963 Cadillac 6267 owned by Lee Baker of Hayward, CA. and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winner in Class C3.

