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2023 Annual Don Frolich Meet in Cupertino, Portal Park

What a great come back! These photos taken by Katie (Don Frolic's Granddaughter). Justin (father) teaching Don's Great Grandson, Alex about the beauty of old cars. These people truly make the event so special.

More on following pages!



Right: Alex the next generation helping with the raffle.
Left: Jeff & Jeanene, Jill Masters (Frolich), Alex & Katie.





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2023 CLC Calendar

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. **Bold = CLC Events.**

Nov. 12 Planning Meeting – 11:30 am
Sam's Place, Novato

Dec. 17 Holiday Party (Flyer Oct. Issue)
Zio Fraedo's, Vallejo
1:00 PM

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Jan 21 Board Meeting
Sam's Place, Novato – 11:00 AM



Jeff Nielsen & Phil Toy, Portal Park.



CLC NorCal Director's Message

Hello CLC Members,

I want to thank all the CLC members and the other clubs for the great support of the Don Frolich Memorial Meet at Portal Park. After a three-year hiatus due to Covid and City rules (hindering us) we turned out in all our shinny glory to display our cars, visit with car buddies and have some great BBQ. It was an honor to have Don Frolich's Daughter Jill, Granddaughter Katie and husband Justin and Great Grandson Alex attend and help at the meet. If you didn't make it please try for next year. The more the merrier.

Bring your ideas to Sam's Place in Novato on November 12 for our Annual Planning Meeting see flyer on page 7. Christmas in Vallejo at Zio Fraedo's on December 17, see flyer on page 6. Please RSVP.

Ditch the Broomstick and ride in Cadillac style!!!

Happy Halloween!

Jeff Nielsen

More Portal Park.....



Photo by Jeff Nielsen



Photo by Katie Masters

The Winners: People's Choice – Steve Pedone – 1948 Chrysler Traveler; **Director's Choice Cad** – David Barnhard – 1935 10 Series 355D; **Best Modified** – Antonior Ojeda – 1960 Cad 62; **Best Non-Cad** – Robert Jacobson – 1933 Pierce-Arrow Conv. Sedan; **Best Packard** – Richard Heley – 1929 645.

Cadillac Class Winners

1934-40 – Don Barnes
1941 – Dennis Jasany
1942-47 – Lorraine Blackburn
1948-49 – Bill Brennan
1961-64 – Dennis May
1965-70 – Chris Slater
1971-80 – Jerry Brick
1953-66 – William Tracy
1981 to Current – Stephen Cytron



Photos by Jeff Nielsen



Above: Winchester BBQ did a great job, everyone loved the food!

Right: Jeff Nielsen debued his 1941 Cadillac 60S. This car has been at Portal Park many times over the last 45 years. Thanks Ted & Jo!





'70 Cadillac Superior Ambulance at Emergency Vehicle Show

By Rod Dahlgren

I took my 1970 Cadillac ambulance to the emergency vehicle show that was in Ripon, CA and I think it was their 33rd year. I have been encouraged to bring the car for a few years and finally gave in and participated this year. When I arrived I could obviously see that this was very heavy police car oriented. About 90% of what was there were police cars that were either current/active, or re-creations and then a few cases authentic originals. The second part of this was fire department vehicles and there were very few of them. There were also a few other vehicles that they determined to be what they called support vehicles. This is the class that they placed my ambulance in. So I was the support vehicle for all years and all types of support. This included the current an active surplus military armored cars all the way down to World War II jeeps and shore patrol jeep vehicles that could've been used during world war two the Korean War and so forth.

My Cadillac was a big stand out and they were people all day looking at the car and primarily kids that came over wanting to get in the car and have their picture taken. Yes, a lot of them looked at it thinking it was ghost buster car, but that's fine I enjoyed the chance to let the kids sit in the car and have their picture taken. When it came to awards I realized that I was up against a tough crowd when they grouped all of those support vehicles together and I was in a row of late model Crown Vic undercover cars and other undercover cars clear back into the 50s. But then added to that we're all the armored vehicles and this amazing World War II jeep that was correctly outfitted!

There were a few hundred cars that are spread over a large field. The jeep (above Left) was parked right up at the front of the entire place and the speakers podium was right in front of the jeep. Kind of tells you it was a focal point of the entire show. They paraded probably 80% of the entrants through town with all lights and sirens blaring. I made a point to be the last car in the parade. And I got a lot of applause and people asking to hear the big roll siren. I videoed the parade but it's about a 30 minutes! I'll put it on my YouTube channel I think it's a little bit boring because it's difficult to see what's going.



The Northern California Region
Cadillac & LaSalle Club
2023 HOLIDAY LUNCH
ZIO FRAEDO'S IN VALLEJO

Sunday, December 17, 2023 at 1:00 PM

You are invited to attend the 2023 Holiday Luncheon
Sponsored by the Northern California Region Cadillac & LaSalle Club.

Time: 1:00 PM

Place: Zio Fraedo's Restaurant at 23 Harbor Way, Vallejo, CA 707/642-8984

Premium Sunday Menu (see menu on next page)

RSVP: Please send your order form with your name and the names of guests plus your check made out to NorCal CLC to Charles Thompson, 700 Albatross Drive, Novato, CA 94945.

RSVP's must arrive no later than December 8th. Due to restaurant rules, costs are not refundable.

Participation in gift exchange: If you want to participate in a gift exchange, please bring one gift per participant. One ticket per gift will be placed into a drawing. Once a gift has been selected, it can be "stolen" – but only twice.

Directions: From I-80, take exit 29A onto Sonoma Blvd, CA-29. In 2.2 miles, slight left onto Curtola Pkwy and continue straight on Mare Island Way. In 1 mile, turn left onto Harbor Way. Left into parking lot.

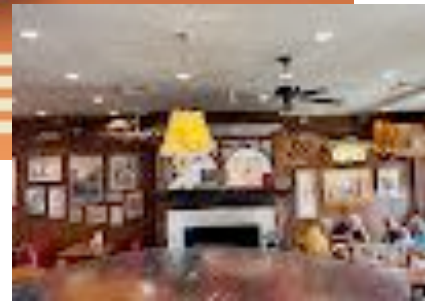


We hope you can make it and join in the celebration and holiday fun! We are grateful to David Barnhardt and Charles Thompson for scoping this event and negotiating with the restaurant.



See complete form in the second attachment in the email.

CLC ANNUAL PLANNING MEETING SUN., NOVEMBER 12, 2023 11:30 AM @



At the end of each year we get together to plan the events we would like to do for the following year. This is your invitation to join us for our annual planning meeting on November 12, 2023 starting at 11:30 a.m. lunch will be around 12:30 p.m.

This is a time for all members to make suggestions for events in 2024. Help our Board of Directors fill out next year's calendar with events that will be of interest to our membership families.

Please send an RSVP to Carolyn Dippel at Cadillacrazy@yahoo.com or 650-823-5584. If you can't attend, you can convey your ideas or preferences to Carolyn as well.

The club needs your ideas, inspiration and connections for tours that we can offer to encourage attendance and participation. Past events have included things like: tours of personal collections, tours to local attractions with special parking for our cars, events in partnership with other local clubs, overnighter tours to northern ca locations, and work parties or how to tutorial meet ups. Come share your ideas to make 2024 really fun!

Sam's has great food and great reviews!
We will all order off the menu!



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**Feature Story:
See more inside!**

