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Bev & Cliff Thompson's
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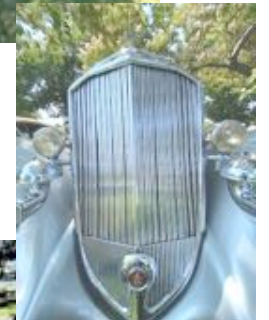
Don Frolich Memorial Meet - Portal Park, Cupertino Another Success!



Photos - Lisa
Knudsen



The first
Don Frolich
Memorial
Meet: August
1, 1976





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2024 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.

Dec 8 **Christmas Lunch (See attached flyer)**

Upcoming CLC Events 2025:

One big addition in 2025 is The Hillsborough Concourse is coming up in June, and will be featuring both CADILLAC & LASALLE this year! Be sure to get your cars cleaned up, fixed up and ready to show off, also this is a great one to reach out to your friends with those cars we haven't seen in a while and get them to bring it out! (This is also great prep for the first western Grand National we've had in a while, that will be held in Henderson, NV in 2027!)

We'll also be having an event in Jan/Feb at the Candy Store. In the mean time...If you have a tour, show or a work party you'd like to host this year, reach out to Don Barnes to get it on the calendar!

LaSalles LaSalles 1937 & 1938 Lots of parts!

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HAPPENINGS 2025

May 3, 2025
All GM Car Show
Clovis
[pontiacsofcentral
california.org](http://pontiacsofcentralcalifornia.org)



CLC NorCal Director's Message

Hello NorCal CLC Members,

Happy Holidays to you all. Let's celebrate and support our family and friends in the upcoming weeks.

Recently we have lost two of our Gold Standard members. Jerry Brick and David Barnhardt. Both men were board members and were very supportive and active in our club. I met Jerry and Pat 50 years ago when I was taken to my first CLC event (dinner). It was friendship at first sight! David was that ever-present Board Member with endless holiday ideas...I thought of him as "Mr. Christmas" always planning our yearly event with such class. Sending our condolences and love to Pat and Karen.

Please reach out to a Board member if you have any ideas for an event in 2025. We really want your input. With the loss of David Barnhardt we need someone to step up and become a board member. Don't be shy.

Our NorCal member Carolyn Dippel the CLC Clubs new Western Regional Director is full of energy and needs all of us to step up and make things happen. Stay tuned for upcoming events. Thanks to her our membership has grown this month with 8 new members! Bravo, Carolyn!

I hope to see many of you at our Christmas Party!

Happy Touring, Jeff Nielsen

Two Cadillac drivers got in a fender-bender, got out of their cars, and then started yelling at each other. Within a few seconds, they were in a fistfight. I guess you could say things Escalated quickly.

Joe Patch

Fairfield

1937 LaSalle 2 Door Coupe

Marc & Christine Geissberger

Greenbrae

1931 Cad, two 1941 Cads

Darryl Green

San Juan Bautista

1972 Cad

Walter Mitchell

Berkeley

1940 LaSalle

Patrick O'Connor

& Joyce Dibari

Livermore

1938 Cad, 1939 LaSalle

Welcome New Members! What a Boost to the Club.

Larry & Gwen Pirack

Alameda

Two 1941 Cads

Jeremy Sanford & John Woodward

Sacramento

1980, 1981, 2016 Cads

Jim & Gerrie Kay Strickland

Albion

1994, 2024 Cads

Ronald & Laurie Tinkey

Lodi

1936, 1938, 1939 Cads, 1936 LaSalle



Jim Serwer's
Sedan de Ville

Below: Twin '49 Caddy convertibles. One on left won best in class.



Photos by Charles
Thompson

The Winners

Class C - Cliff Thompson
1939 7 Pass Sedan 7519

Class D - Jeff Nielsen
1941 60 S

Director's Choice & Class E
Lorraine Blackburn
1947 62 Series Convertible

Class F - Rick Ross
1949 62 Series

Class H - David Barnardt
1949 62 Series

Class J - Don Barnes
1958 Eldorado Biarritz

Class K - George Black
1960 6267

Class L - Dennis May
1961 62 Series Conv.

Peoples Choice - Josh Raditch
1962 62 Series Coupe Deville

Class M - Carl Chip Benson
1969 DVC 68367

Class N - Bill Brennan
1976 62 Series Sedan

Class O - Russ Genna
1966 62 Series Eldo

Class P - Mr. Medeiros
1971 Eldo

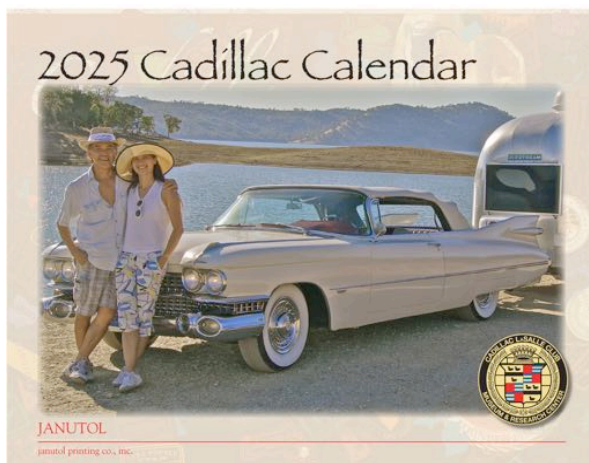
Class Q - Bob Ravano
2007 XLR-V

Best Packard - Tom Beidleman
1934 1100 8 4DR Sedan

Best Non-Cadillac - George Teebay
Silver Pierce-Arrow

More on Portal Park...

Lisa Knudsen, friend of Jim Serwer took these beautiful photos.



Get it now! 2025 Cadillac Calendar
featuring our members
Phil and Kelly Toy!

Purchasing it benefits the Cadillac & LaSalle Club Museum, which is a 501c3 organization, and if you need an end-of-year donation to offset taxes, they qualify! AND you can tack the donation right into your calendar purchase in the check out process. They also make a great Xmas present to you, if you are one of those hard-to-shop-for family members.

<https://www.cadillaclasallemuseum.org/product/2025>

A Little About Rob Johnson, Our Website Editor!

I grew up with car racing. My dad drag raced fuel dragsters. His cousin raced Super Modifieds at Knoxville and my uncle Ron did NASCAR. I think I was the youngest NHRA tech inspector in history. I raced a fuel dragster for a couple years out of high school but decided to go to college. That changed everything.

I did my BA at Drake University in my hometown of Des Moines. I then did my MBA at the University of Western Australia in Perth. (Great experience - long story.)

Coming back to the US, I landed in San Francisco and visited my brother who was working for HP. He said, "Why don't you find a job and stay here?" Which I did, I have been in California for 42 years. My first job here was as a Financial Analyst. I then went into management and in '85 created what today would be called a Business App. for Home Care Nurses. The "App" was created as a joint project with HP and used a WAN (Wide Area Network). I then worked for a venture capital company, developed and sold several businesses. I then developed an internet business for auto dealerships and sold that.

I have lots and lots of car stories. I can remember bits of drag racing as far back as '57, and some really cool old pictures.



Check out this beauty in Switzerland! (1957 62 Sedan)

Jeff and I sold the owner the hubcaps he needed for this beautiful restoration. A kick down transmission shift rod and a fan protection are still needed. If anyone has these parts let me know.

Jeanene





In the Passing Lane
David Barnhardt
December 3, 1936 - October 11, 2024

Our friend and great big-hearted good guy, David Barnhardt passed away unexpectedly. David was a long-time Classic Car owner and active member of a few car clubs. His 1935 Cadillac was with him since 1958! With such a liking to Cadillac, he owned a 56 Fleetwood and a couple late model Cadillacs. His other cars included a Studebaker and a 1963 Imperial convertible. Over the years David has enjoyed yachting and cars, with the Cadillac always on the top of his list of

favorites. He was Commodore of the Benicia Yacht Club for several years.

Born in Littlerock Arkansas, David studied Civil Engineering and graduated from Virginia Tech. Then served in the U.S. Army. Afterwards going to work for the State of California as a Civil Engineer, where he worked 25 years until retirement.

David met his wife, Karen and after dating for five years they were married. And together for another 54 years! I first met David and Karen at a Cadillac Club brunch at the Grand Island Mansion. Participants were encouraged to dress in the "40's style". David and I and our wives all were in proper "40's attire. David told me about his 35 Cad and how the engine had been professionally rebuilt years ago but was low on power, he did not want to drive it. After some checking, we found the camshaft had been ground incorrectly. Dave was ready to get back on the road with his 35 Cad! I am very happy to know we got it fixed so he could have time with it running like it was meant to!

Rod Dalhgren



IN THE PASSING LANE

Jerry Brick
January 25, 1943 - August 6, 2024 (81 years)
Born in San Francisco

Along with being a trade plumber, he loved animals, traveling in motorhomes, bicycling and of course Cadillac's.

Jerry had inherited his father's 1941 Cadillac and he loved the car. Jerry and Pat with their young son David joined the Cadillac LaSalle Club in 1971. That was the beginning of leading tours and touring. The first trip was to Cambria Pines, Cambria. The club was perfect for driving our car, making friends and lots of food. A joint tour with Classic Car Club took us to Mammoth Lakes in the snow. Other events were to Reno to see the Harrah's Collection and helping our Chapter with the Cadillac-LaSalle 1984 Grand National held in Santa Clara.

This all lead to 54 years of meeting nice people, watching the families grow and kids becoming adults but best of all were the friendships with fellow car enthusiasts. Jerry was always ready to help another "car nut".

Just of few of his cherished cars over the years were: 1932 V12 Limo, 1940 LaSalle Coupe, 1941, 1949 Fast Back, 1950, 1963, 1968 and a 1972.

"The loss of Jerry Brick has forever changed our Club. He was a huge supporter, in participated and attending many events. Jerry was famous for his "Pie" Award at the Don Frolich meets. He will be missed!"

Jeanene

Jeanene Denegri
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Out and About with Charlie....

Photos from
Charles Thompson

Cars & Coffee
– Novato –
July 7

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– Novato –
Sept 1.





The Northern California Region

Cadillac & LaSalle Club

2024 HOLIDAY LUNCH

THE CLUB AT MCGINNIS PARK IN SAN RAFAEL

Sunday, December 8, 2024 at 12:00 PM

You are invited to attend the 2024 Holiday Luncheon
Sponsored by the Northern California Region Cadillac & LaSalle Club.

Time: 12:00 PM

Place: The Club Restaurant at 350 Smith Ranch Road, San Rafael, CA 415-491-5990

Choose your food items from a full menu (see menu on next page). Alcoholic beverages ordered from the bar are individually paid. Our club is paying the private room costs.

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 1st.

No gift exchange is planned this year.

Directions: From 101 just north of San Rafael, take exit 456 to Lucas Valley Road. At the stoplight, turn right onto Smith Ranch Road. Proceed 1 mile to The Club Restaurant.

We hope you can make it and join in the celebration and holiday fun! We are grateful to Diane and Charles Thompson for scoping this event and negotiating with the restaurant. This event is in memorial to the late David Barnhardt who planned many such events.

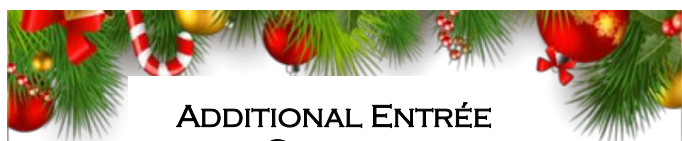


The Northern California Region Cadillac & LaSalle Club



2024 HOLIDAY LUNCH MENU

- Choose your luncheon items from the menu including the additional items listed below.
- Fill out your Order Form (next page) and calculate the cost.
- Send your form and check to Charles Thompson
700 Albatross Drive, Novato, CA 94945.
- RSVPs must be received by December 1st.



ADDITIONAL ENTRÉE CHOICES

*EGGS BENEDICT

Canadian bacon, poached eggs,
Hollandaise, potatoes and fruit
18

PETRALE SOLE DORE

Light egg batter, lemon garlic
butter sauce
Rice and vegetables
25

STEAK & POMMES FRITES

Grilled 12oz N.Y. steak
and fries
34

DESSERT

- Brownie & Ice Cream
- Tiramisu
- Hot Fudge Sundae
- Sorbet or Ice Cream

8

THE CLUB

restaurant



LUNCH 2024

SMALLPLATES

SOUP OF THE DAY (check with server)	5.5-C	7-B
FRENCH ONION SOUP with a crostini and melted swiss cheese		11
TOMATO BRUSCHETTA sourdough crostini, roasted garlic		12
FRIED CALAMARI with house cocktail and tartar sauce		15
CHICKEN QUESADILLA sour cream, pico de gallo, guacamole		16
COCONUT PRAWNS five prawns, thai dipping sauce		17

SALADS

HOUSE GREENS spring mix, carrot, balsamic dressing	8-H	13-F
* CAESAR crisp romaine lettuce and house made croutons (\$6. add chicken) (add steak \$10.)	9-H	14-F
CLUB SPECIAL ¹² house lettuce, walnut, cranberry, blue cheese, mandarin orange with balsamic dressing	9-H	17-F
TEX MEX CHICKEN tortilla, avocado, sour cream, cheddar		18
BAY SHRIMP LOUIE ¹² romaine, egg, avocado, tomato, shrimp		20
* GRILLED SALMON ¹² organic potato, mango papaya salsa		21

SANDWICHES ^{choice of fries or salad}

* CHEESEBURGER half pound grass fed beef patty, sesame roll	20
IMPOSSIBLE BURGER plant based burger, cheddar cheese	19
GRILLED CHICKEN sautéed peppers and onions, pesto aioli	19
FRENCH DIP SANDWICH roasted beef, au jus, sourdough roll	19
TURKEY CLUB turkey, bacon, lettuce, tomato, on sourdough toast	19
* SALMON BURGER sesame roll, tartar sauce, lettuce, tomato	19
TACO WRAP chicken, cheddar, avocado, chipotle aioli, tortilla	19
* PATTY MELT grass fed beef, swiss, grilled onions, rye bread	20
CALAMARI STEAK SAND panko, sesame roll, tartar sauce	19
REUBEN SANDWICH corned beef, melted swiss, sauerkraut, rye	19

ARTISAN SOURDOUGH PIZZA (10")

MARGHERITA: basil, tomato, mozzarella	22
PEPPERONI: marinara sauce, pepperoni, mozzarella	22
FIG & PROSCIUTTO: mozzarella, fig and prosciutto	22
VEGGIE: bell peppers, olives, mushrooms, onion, mozzarella	22
SAUSAGE & ONION italian sausage, balsamic onions	22
HAWAIIAN STYLE canadian bacon, pineapple, mozzarella	22

PASTAS & FULL PLATES

CAPELLINI POMODORO garlic, basil, tomato and olive oil	21
LINGUINE WITH SALMON with mushrooms and spinach tossed in a lemon cream sauce	24
CAPELLINI EN BRODO chicken, garlic, artichoke, tomato, broth	23
SPAGHETTI CARBONARA pancetta, onion, garlic, egg, parmesan	22
CAJUN LINGUINE chicken, andouille sausage, roma tomatoes, peas with a mustard cream sauce	24
CALAMARI STEAK DORE lemon garlic sauce, rice, vegetables	26
CHICKEN & PRAWN PICATTA pan sautéed with white wine lemon, butter, capers, garlic, mashed potatoes, vegetables	26
RUSTIC POT ROAST braised with a savory sauce served with mashed potato, vegetables	26
* GRILLED SALMON ¹² lemon butter, jasmine rice, vegetable	26
* ASIAN SKIRT STEAK marinated, jasmine rice, vegetables	28

* consuming raw or under-cooked meats, poultry, seafood, shellfish or eggs
may increase your risk of food borne illness

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The Club at McGinnis Park
950 Smith Ranch Rd, San Rafael, CA
Sunday December 8, 2024 at 12:00 PM

Order Form

Your Name: _____
Your Phone: _____
Your Guests: _____
: _____

Quantity	Fill in Items from Menu	Cost per Item	Fill in Total Cost Quantity x Cost
	1. Coffee or Tea	\$ 3.00	\$
	2.	\$	\$
	3.	\$	\$
	4.	\$	\$
	5.	\$	\$
	6.	\$	\$
	7. Subtotal all Items		\$
	8. Calculate Tax 9.25% of Subtotal		\$
	9. Calculate Tip 20% of Subtotal		\$
	Add Items 7 - 9	Total Remitted:	\$

* If you are ordering the N.Y. Steak(s), please indicate your preference(s):

☐ Rare ☐ Med Rare ☐ Med ☐ Med Well ☐ Well

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