



Happy Thanksgiving!

# 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/>

<https://www.facebook.com/Cadillac-LaSalle-Club-Florida-Suncoast-Region-1573534062920397/>

### CLUB OFFICERS

**Region Director:**

Mark Demyan

**Vice Director:**

Len Berman

**Secretary:**

Mike Santos

**Treasurer:**

Ben Berman

**Membership Director:**

Mike Santos

**Activities Director:**

(open)

**Newsletter Editor/Publisher:**

Paul Simcock

**MONTHLY MEETINGS:**

All meetings are held the 2nd Tuesday of every month. The doors open at 7:30 p.m. The meeting will start at 8:00 p.m.

**UPCOMING MEETING - Nov 14<sup>th</sup>**

The new meeting venue is still in the final formulative stages. For now, we will continue to meet at PoFolks for the time being. The address is 2001 34th Street N. , Saint Petersburg, FL. 33713. An all-members email will go out once we establish a new meeting venue.

**EVENTS:** See details in the Activities Director's Report in this newsletter.

***Can you Guess the  
Car Photo?***

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





## Florida Suncoast Region CLC Consolidated Meeting Reports October 31, 2023

**Treasurer's Report.** With Halloween behind us -- hopefully with more treats than tricks -- it's hard not to acknowledge that the end of another year is very fast approaching. Doing its part to beat back inflation, the Florida Suncoast Region voted at our October meeting not to raise dues for the new year, so they remain at \$25 for each membership unit. I am now accepting checks for 2024 dues, which should be paid by check made out to "CLC Florida Suncoast Region" (not to me personally) and mailed to me at the following address: 4223 MacKay Falls Terrace - Sarasota, Florida 34243.

If you are a new member, or if your vital information has changed during 2023, please fill out and enclose the form found on the next to last page of this newsletter; otherwise the check alone will be sufficient. If you would prefer to pay in cash, please bring the cash with you to one of our monthly meetings.

Dues for 2024 are due by January 1st. While there is a grace period after that, we cannot keep on the membership rolls for an extended time anyone who falls behind on their obligations to the Region. Remember also that to remain a member of the Florida Sunshine Region you must maintain active membership in the national Cadillac & LaSalle Club. Please contact me directly if you have any questions.

Respectfully Submitted,

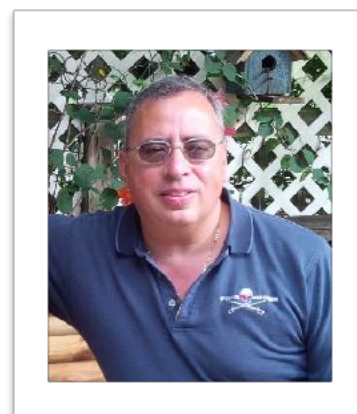
Benjamin L. Berman,  
Treasurer, Florida Suncoast Region,  
Cadillac & LaSalle Club



**Membership Report.** In the past month we had no new members. We are currently at 35 active individual / family membership units, 3 honorary and 11 inactive (*prior members who have not renewed for 2023*). We continue to respond to requests for further information about the Florida Suncoast Region Cadillac & LaSalle Club. Membership renewals for 2024 have started coming in. We'd like to remind members that your National dues must be current. The expiration date of your National dues is on the mailing page of your SELF STARTER.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mike Santos,  
Membership Director, Florida Suncoast Region,  
Cadillac & LaSalle Club



**Florida Suncoast Region,  
Cadillac & LaSalle Club  
Director's Report  
November 2023**

Hello Everyone:

Another club picnic happened in October and despite the effort it takes to organize it along with the monthly gatherings that many times make me feel like this isn't worth all of the time and effort it takes with everything else I do outside of the club, I end up enjoying the time we are all together and the negative side of the preparation quickly fades away.

Times change, as they always do, for one reason or another and our club changes too. The level and/or style of participation may not be the same now as it was a few years ago or 10 years ago but there are still many members who are enjoying the gatherings. So even though I am not the Activities Director (Anyone want to be???) I will do everything I can, in the interim to ensure that those of us who still want to meet at these social gatherings, will still be able to continue to do so.

Mark

Respectfully Submitted,

Mark Demyan,

Director, Florida Suncoast Region,  
Cadillac & LaSalle Club



### Activities Report.

Dear Fellow Club Members:

The Fall Picnic was very enjoyable. We met at the Myakka River State Park in Sarasota at the Clay Gully Pavilion. Regardless of which entrance you use, they both had a nice long lazy drive through the park to the pavilion. *Please see the great pictures that Joy Brinley took that are included in this newsletter.*

There were some discussions about other places we could schedule events between picnics. One of the places several members have been to and want to return to may become the location of our Holiday Luncheon. They are working on it as a group and will provide details once they have everything confirmed. This year we are aiming to have the Holiday Luncheon on Sunday December 10<sup>th</sup>, so save the date now on your calendar!

In an effort to make the Monthly Gatherings a little easier to attend, we are moving the start time to 7:30pm to gather and dinner around 8:00pm. We hope this will lighten the rush hour traffic to shorten the drive there.

Anyone with ideas on events throughout the year that can help with organizing them; please email us here. Without an Activities Director, this has to be a Club participation.

Mark

## ***Suncoast Region Fall Picnic Enjoyable and a Big Success***

### **Sunday, October 15th**

Well, the weather couldn't have been better as we all gathered for our Annual Fall Picnic 2023 at Myakka River State Park in Sarasota. The club supplied all the fixings from the Publix Deli and it was delicious! With a diverse menu, we tried to please everyone as best we could.

Seems that we did make an attempt to make the annual gathering more assessable to some of our more "southerly-based" members but unfortunately some of them had previous engagements that day. We will always try our best to accommodate all of our members as we realize that we cover a very large geographic jurisdiction with our Region.

We were glad to see a few new faces that we don't normally see as they are based in some remote areas outside of our central hub in Greater Tampa. As our club continues to evolve, we hope to recruit some "newbies" that perhaps can bring new light into the joys of classic Cadillac ownership and the furtherance of this wonderful pastime and hobby.







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### *HAVE YOU HEARD THE "INSIDE STORY" ON CADILLAC FOR 1965?*

If not, pay your Cadillac dealer a visit and step inside this newest of Cadillacs. You will find yourself surrounded by rich fabrics and unsurpassed roominess. There are luxurious chair-height seat backs; accessories such as the exclusive tilt and telescope steering wheel that lets you personalize your driving position; and Comfort Control that automatically holds interior temperature at your favorite level. This year you can choose from 150 different Cadillac interiors, a selection unparalleled in fine car history. Shouldn't one of them be your 1965 motoring headquarters?

*So new! So right! So obviously*



*Cadillac*



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Saturday, November 25, 4-9:00 PM  
Celebrating our 27th Year!

The Villages monthly Cruise-In  
Spanish Springs Town Square  
<https://www.thevillagesentertainment.com/special-events/Nov-2023-cruise-in/>



The GO-TO Place on the web for all your upcoming car show cruise-in venues, dates, and times!

*...See you there!*

**DADE CITY**  
CAR & TRUCK  
SHOW  
*Hosted by Ronnie Setser*

THE FIRST SATURDAY FROM SEPT-MAY  
12pm-4pm

**\$10**

**Registration fee to qualify for trophy presentation**

Cruising cars will still be allowed but will not be part of the judging or receive dash plaques or trophies.

**NEW LOCATION:** Enter from Hwy. 301 / 7th St. onto Pasco Ave. We will no longer be closing SR 52 / Meridian Ave. Show will take place on the east and south sides of the Historic County Courthouse and roads to the east.

PLEASE SUPPORT ALL OF DOWNTOWN DADE CITY

For questions and further information, please contact Ronnie Setser (813) 879-1616 or (813) 601-7227 // [ronniesetsercustoms.com](http://ronniesetsercustoms.com)



## Items for Sale



If you're a fan like me, the 1967 Eldorado represented the epitome of luxury and styling; especially with the famous "razorback" taillights. Sporting a hefty front wheel drive 429 cubic inch OHV V8, it was the most powerful personal luxury car you could own in '67.

So, if you're looking for a Replacement Back Window in excellent condition, call Bill Storms in Nokomis, FL at 941-356-2064 or email him at: [captainwindy@verizon.net](mailto:captainwindy@verizon.net)

Asking Price: \$550.00  
or Best Offer



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## When you need one; you need one, right?

So, if you're looking for a Replacement Battery Case in very good superb condition, for a 1956 Cadillac, look no further and call Bill Storms in Nokomis, FL at 941-356-2064 or email him at: [captainwindy@verizon.net](mailto:captainwindy@verizon.net)

Asking Price: \$100.00 or Best Offer



### Cadillac, Lincoln and Mercury Shop Manuals for Sale

Cadillac Electrical and Chassis Body Diagrams manual 1980-1985...	\$15.00
Cadillac shop Manual Supplement 1975...	\$15.00
Cadillac Shop manual 1961...	\$15.00
Cadillac Shop Manual 1971...	\$15.00
Lincoln Mercury Products Bulletin 1997...	\$5.00
Mercury Color and Upholstery Selections 1997...	\$5.00
Lincoln Mercury Product portfolio 1996...	\$5.00



Please contact Walt Clark at: [wfclark@gmail.com](mailto:wfclark@gmail.com) for further information and photos.



## 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 directly to me. *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



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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Rich Fedor 11/3  
Cathy Winkler 11/21

*Note: If you would like your birthday posted, please respond back to the Editor.*

## Get the Most From Your National CLC 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





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**ED MORSE**  
**CADILLAC**  
 BAYVIEW

**Sunday, November 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023 • 10:00 am - 3:00 pm**
**Ed Morse Bayview Cadillac**

1240 N. Federal Hwy. • Fort Lauderdale, FL, 33304

**Show opens to the Public at 10:00am**
*This event is rain or shine.*

## EXHIBITOR REGISTRATION FORM

 Registration is from 8:30 am - 9:30 am on November 12th  
**All Exhibitors Must be Registered by 9:30am...NO EXCEPTIONS!**

 The Early Registration due date is October 28th, 2023.  
 Late registration is available after October 28th until show day  
 on a space-available basis.

### TROPHIES AWARDED:

 Best of Show, Dealer's Choice, and 1st and  
 2nd place winners of each class.


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Registration is for those entering the judged competition and showing display-only cars.

**MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: CADILLAC & LASALLE CLUB SOUTH FLORIDA REGION**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Insurance Carrier: \_\_\_\_\_ Policy #: \_\_\_\_\_

 Exhibition Category: ☐ Judged ☐ Display Only ☐ Cadillac ☐ LaSalle Model \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_

## REGISTRATION FEES

<b>BEFORE OCTOBER 28<sup>TH</sup></b>	Judged Cars:.....	<b>\$20</b>	<b>AFTER OCTOBER 28<sup>TH</sup></b>	Judged Cars:.....	<b>\$25</b>
	Display Only:.....	<b>\$15</b>		Display Only:.....	<b>\$15</b>
	<b>TOTAL \$ DUE:</b> .....	<b>\$</b> _____		<b>TOTAL \$ DUE:</b> .....	<b>\$</b> _____

You may also register early &amp; bring your payment to the show.

**For details, contact Director, Len Constance, Jr. at (954) 789-0966 or Show Vice Chairman, Steve Tarampi at (954) 501-3194**

 Email us at: [CadillacLaSalleClubFR@hotmail.com](mailto:CadillacLaSalleClubFR@hotmail.com) • [CLCSFR.COM](http://CLCSFR.COM)

Entrants and participants by execution of registration form release and discharge Ed Morse Bayview Cadillac and Cadillac & LaSalle Club South Florida Region their officers, directors, employees or agents, representatives and servants from any and all known or unknown damages, injuries, losses, judgments, and claims from any cause whatsoever that may be suffered by an entrant or participants, person or property. Cars must remain at their assigned show locations, until 3:00 PM. Fire extinguishers are strongly recommended, but not required, for judged and display-only cars.





**Trolley Market Square  
So Classic Car Show**



Our 2024 car show is slated for February 3<sup>rd</sup> 2024. We are starting Car Registration so that we are ready because this is our 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Please think about getting involved today because without your help our projects would not be possible. Last year we had some great cars and gave out many Trophies. Get your Reservations in early: judging will be 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place trophies in each judging category, Top Car Club and Best of show. Mail entry to PO Box 531042 St. Pete Fl. 33747. Location of Car Show 4901 Tangerine Ave South Gulfport Fl 33707. For more info call 727-439-0164



**Contact us by phone at 727-439-0164 ask for Phil**

***...See you at the Show!***



## 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 Benjamin L. Berman, Treasurer  
4223 MacKay Falls Terrace  
Sarasota, Florida 34243

### 2023 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: \_\_\_\_\_

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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.



## Post Script:

### Don't Forget Your Rear Axle Maintenance!

People seem to forget that there is much more to their collector car design than just what is up front, i.e., the engine compartment, etc.

A key part of the propulsion system is the complete rear axle assembly (*rear wheel drive cars*) consisting of some very important key parts.

Starting in 1938, Cadillac incorporated the Hotchkiss Drive axle into all its cars. The special differential and axle assembly which makes up the "rear end" was time-proven and highly durable; rarely exhibiting any drivability issues. It used a series of semi-floating rear axles and hypoid planetary gears. Gear ratios varied over the years - 3.92:1 for 1939-40. When you specified the new GM Hydra-Matic transmission debuting in 1941 and through the 1942 model year, the ratio was 3.36:1. Normally specified 90 heavyweight gear oil is often referred to rear-end oil. That same oil "bathes" the drive axles inside the axle assembly as well as the differential.



Before starting out on a long trip, it's always a good idea to check your axle oil seals and oil level inside the rear differential. If any seepage is detected at all, the seals should be replaced immediately *before* driving the car; otherwise you run the risk of contaminating your brake shoes and drums and this becomes a safety issue at that point. Another maintenance item is to make sure of it that your wheel bearings must be packed with fresh grease. Modern-day cars have sealed bearings from the factory but classics require repacking at certain service intervals. You know what they say, "an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure!"

### ***Happy Motoring!***

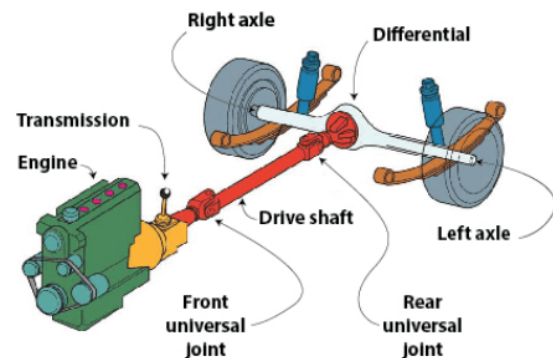


*...and Best of All, it's a Cadillac!*



A Beautiful 1941 Cadillac Series 62 Deluxe Coupe

### How it Works ...



Rear-wheel-drive cars require a driveshaft. In order to accommodate it, there must be an interior hump down the middle of the passenger cabin. For vehicles with RWD, the transmission is attached to the rear of the engine to a connecting flywheel. The transmission takes the spinning movement "torque" from the engine's crankshaft and passes it along to the driveshaft. The driveshaft is a spinning cylindrical tube that connects to the rear of the transmission to the rear differential.

Drive shaft designs come in two types: Hotchkiss and Torque Tube (*the driveshaft itself is enclosed in a tube*). **Hotchkiss driveshafts** are the more common drivetrain because of their open design, meaning you can actually see the drive shaft spin beneath your car when it's moving. Additionally, the Hotchkiss drive shaft uses two Universal-joints, unlike torque tubes.