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## SPRING SHOW SPECIAL ISSUE MAKE YOUR CAR A STAR WITH COOPER FILMCARS



Spring Show views from the ground and the air; Bob Walton's "Big Red" at the Daytona Speedway (see story on page 7)

### 2015 CAR SEASON KICKS OFF WITH SPRING SHOW

On April 26, 2015, we held our annual Spring Show at the scenic State Line Lookout in Alpine, NJ. It was our fourth consecutive year at the location and again we enjoyed some pleasantly mild weather. This made for comfortable viewing of the many luxurious Cadillacs participating in the show, as well as the panoramic view of the Hudson River and New York skyline as seen from the magnificent cliffs of the Palisades.

Thirty-seven Cadillacs and one LaSalle attended. Photos of the event follow on pages 3 through 6.

### REGISTER YOUR CLASSIC WITH COOPER FILMCARS

Would you like to make your car a star? You may be interested in registering with Cooper Filmcars, an organization that sent us the following message to pass along to the membership:

*I work for Cooper Filmcars, a company based in Manhattan that locates vehicles for use in advertising*

*photoshoots, films and special events. We have a database of interesting vehicles located in the greater New York City area (and beyond) and wanted to reach out to you to see if any of the members of your club wanted to be included. If a production company reaches out to us with interest in using one of your member's cars, I'd call them and see if they are interested and available. If your car is selected to be used in a shoot, we would be able to pay you for your time - rates vary depending upon the budget of the production company. Vehicles are always fully insured while on location, under the production company's insurance.*

*With warmer weather just around the corner, our busy season is quickly approaching. If any of the club members would be interested in having their cars in our database, please have them email me several photographs that show the exterior and interior. Please also include your name, phone number and the town where the car is located. Feel free to give me a call with any questions.*

*Thanks!*

*Tom Marosy*

*Cooper Filmcars*

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### CONCOURS D'ELEGANCE

CCNJ members are invited to the Ramapo Concours d'Elegance, which will take place June 6-7 at Ramapo College in Mahwah, NJ. The event is sponsored by the Prestige Family of Dealerships and is in benefit of the College as well as the Hackensack UMC. The show is free with \$10 parking. For further details, please visit [www.ramapoconcours.com](http://www.ramapoconcours.com).

Organizers are now accepting vehicle nominations via their website or by mail. The Concours is open to the public and takes place on Saturday, featuring classic cars, vendors, food, and more. Sunday morning features a scenic drive up to the Mohonk Mountain House for a catered luncheon. Sponsor and vendor positions are also available as is space in the program booklet if anyone is interested.





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# The Bulletin Board

**Weekly Club Gatherings** — Now that the warmer weather is upon us, club members will begin gathering outdoors on a weekly basis. Every Thursday evening at the Fireplace in Paramus, starting at 6pm.

**Whiskey Café Meet** — The first Whiskey Café cruise in which the CCNJ will participate is scheduled for 5/23. Members gather at 6pm at the Whiskey Café in Lyndhurst, NJ.

**Thursday Meeting** — The club meeting for May will be held at the Fireplace in Paramus on Thursday, 5/21, at 7pm.



Lois Harriman,  
Director

## Director's Message — May 2015

Hello Fellow Members,

I have to say this has been just a wonderful weekend. A bunch of us CCNJ'ers traveled up to Waterbury, CT, on Saturday for a wonderful Inter-Regional Car Show Event held at the Timexpo: The Timex Museum. What a wonderful venue! We were saddened to hear that the Museum will be closing in a few months. It was very interesting. The cars that came to this show were unbelievable...five LaSalles drove in on their own. Just a wonderful day and the best part was our cars drove coming and going. Always a plus, don't you think? Pictures will be in next months issue.

When Rob and I arrived home that day we hurriedly changed into CCNJ car show mode. We gathered the merchandise, the goody bags, and everything else needed for the show and packed it into the '63. Now, you know that all that stuff does not fit into our "little coupe." ☺ So off we drove over to Mike Cascio's home to deliver a few containers of merchandise. Thanks Mike for your help! Then back home to finish cleaning our car and finalizing everything. Sunday arrived crisp and beautiful! Another great car show day!

I would like to thank all of the members who came forward and helped with all the getting, doing, planning, running around, and cleaning up of the show. Also to those who donated money to help the show out. You folks are invaluable!

I thank you and the club thanks you, everyone, for all you do. Even when you help for a few minutes it takes a lot off of me. It was such a great event and so pleasurable to see all the cars and chat with each other for a bit. See pages 3-6 for pictures and a list of trophy winners. To me, all of the cars that showed were winners and all beautiful. THANK YOU FOR COMING OUT AND SHOWING US YOUR TREASURE!

One final and I think most important bit of info I can share with the membership: our newsletter, the *Caddy Chatter*, has won a Old Cars Weekly Golden Quill Award! Thank you to all of you who contributed over the year! And to our editor, Tony Albarella, who every month collects and writes spectacular content. Congrats to all!

A reminder for you all that we will again start our weekly meets on Thursday evenings. I will be out there with Doris...but that's another story for another time.

See 'ya down the road,

*Lois*





# 2015 CCNJ SPRING SHOW

## STATE LINE LOOKOUT — ALPINE, NJ











**Eric DeVirgilis — 1962 Coupe DeVille**



**Don Genaro — 1938 LaSalle**



**George Berger — 1965 DeVille Convertible**



**Dominick Tucci — 1959 Convertible**



**Roy Garretson — 1942 7-Passenger Formal Sedan**



**Michael Cascio — 1962 Coupe DeVille**



**Bob & Sarah Schles — 1964 Eldorado Convertible**



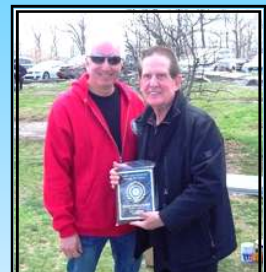
**Tony Albarella — 1963 Fleetwood 60 Special**



**Joseph Hickey — 1950 Series 61 Club Coupe**



**Joe & Valerie Mortell — 1960 Coupe DeVille**



**BEST IN SHOW — Frank Simone — 1941 Fleetwood Limo**



# SPRING SHOW COVERAGE TAKES TO THE SKY!

We often net new members and meet new friends when we hold our Spring Show. At this year's event, I had the particular pleasure of meeting a man named Joe Barbarite, who hails from River Vale, NJ. Joe is an aerial drone enthusiast and was piloting his camera-equipped drone over the majestic Palisades during our show. He graciously agreed to perform a "fly over" of the car show field and sent me the pictures seen here and on the front page. He also posted a brief YouTube video of the fly over, which highlights our show from unexpected new heights. Those of you who are viewing this newsletter in digital form can click on the link directly below to see the stunning and very cool results. (The link may not work on iPhones and similar devices, but should play on desktop, laptop, and tablet PCs. If experiencing problems you can copy the URL below directly to your browser.) Thanks so much, Joe!

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## **How Fast Do You Want to Go?**

At the monthly meeting of the CCNJ on Thursday, April 16, Bob Walton spoke about what it's like to drive on the high banks of the Daytona International Speedway in Florida. The program included a side-by-

side video looking back at the driver and passenger while simultaneously looking forward at the track. He also passed around an actual piece of the front straight removed a few years ago during repaving. Members also received a brochure about the Richard Petty Driving Experience.

Walton explained how he first took a "ride-along" buckled firmly into the passenger seat of a NASCAR style race car as a professional driver chauffeured him around the track at approximately 165 MPH for 3 laps, similar to a NASCAR qualifying effort. This ride-along was terrific preparation for actually driving on the high banks. While he experienced G-forces between 1.8 and 2.4 Bob was pleased he had no untoward physical reactions. This encouraged him to try to maximize his driving experience.

With almost no time to digest his ride-along experience, Bob then changed cars, switched to a helmet with communication equipment allowing him to interact with the instructor, and slipped through the left side window into the driver seat. A similarly helmeted instructor was already strapped into the passenger seat. Since the seats have no adjustment, vertically challenged Bob required a dense foam rubber spacer between him and the seat back so his left leg could fully depress the large clutch pedal.

Our intrepid CCNJ member was soon going through the gears accelerating down pit road and onto the track. Walton explained what a thrill it was blasting down the back straight and how terrifying it was to realize you then needed to literally make a U-turn on the high banking at full speed. During the 8 lap session Bob's top speed on lap one was 139.03 MPH. On his last lap he found out exactly how fast HE wanted to go – 157.84 MPH and not a hundredth faster.

When the car returned to the pits Walton was unbuckled, exited the car and walked shakily away. The shaking lasted more than 2 hours.

Later, after lunch, as Bob drove down the interstate toward his southwest Florida destination just slightly above the posted speed limit of 70 MPH he laughed to himself that he had just driven at significantly more than twice that speed not just in a straight line but actually went into turns at those speeds reversing his direction!

How fast do YOU want to go? Bob Walton found out to the hundredth of a second! One more item checked off the bucket list!

# **CAR SHOW** 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual



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Convertible**

**1979 Seville**

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The By-Laws of the National Cadillac & LaSalle Club require all region members to maintain active membership status in the National Club. This protects all members by providing insurance coverage through a national policy with J.C. Taylor. Each year, the CCNJ is required to submit our member roster for compliance review. Our chartered status as a Region can be revoked if we do not maintain compliance with this requirement.

The Cadillac & LaSalle Club offers many benefits, including the award-winning monthly magazine, *The Self-Starter*, participation in national events, and award eligibility at regional events. See all the various national membership options and dues schedule in the National Membership Directory, or through the CLC website and national office phone, email and postal addresses below:

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**41 Ser 62 Conv**, 90K mi, new black paint w/clear coat, ori tan leath in VG cond, eng/hydramatic trans restored in '14, new chrome waiting for installation, new correct WW tires, needs top and final reassembly. Car in East Falmouth, MA. \$40K OBO. (RWB has photos) Peter Mantia 508-540-8394 (1504R)

**66 CAL SED**, 54,912 mi, black, grey cloth w/plastic cover, well maintained, always garaged, runs well, body very good. \$7,000 OBO. Charlie Devino 973-728-8363 (1502RRR)

**67 SDV**, 85K mi, silver, black leath/cloth combo int, runs OK, needs paint, body has a little rust in the usual Caddy places, chrome good. \$2,500 OBO Dave Boyajian 973-428-8931 (1504R)

**70 CDV**, 36K mi, cocoa brown, cream leath int, runs well, body and int in VG cond. \$8,500 OBO Phil Greco 914-830-3899 (1504R)

**71 ELD CP**, 134 K mi, gold, white top, embroidered cloth int, runs well, garaged in Indiana, engine compartment has "signatures" from Notre Dame and pro football players, photos avail, \$10,000 OBO. Carlo Calabrese, C:973-650-4516 or [carlocal44@gmail.com](mailto:carlocal44@gmail.com) (1503RR)

**74 FW BR Talisman**, 16K mi, terra cotta, Medici crushed velour int, needs some body filler, everything works, runs well, \$14,000 OBO Phil Greco 914-830-3899 (1504R)

**76 ELD CV**, 75K mi, drk ykx, blk top in good cond, drk brown leath in good cond, needs top motor, master brake cyl but runs well. \$18,000 OBO John O'Donnell 201-364-0832 (1505)

**81 ELD CP**, 81K mi, sand, sand landau roof, beige leath in good cond, car in good cond, runs well & is garaged/covered. \$7,500 OBO Connie Zemanek 973-661-2098 (1503RR)

**89 ALL CV**, 99 K mi, red, blk leath in good cond, new blk top in '14, needs tires, everything works, runs well, no hard top. \$6,000 OBO. Carlos Calabrese C:973-650-4516 [carloscal44@gmail.com](mailto:carloscal44@gmail.com) (1503RR)

**91 CDV SPRING EDITION**, 60K mi, white, white leath, white cabriolet roof, car is garage-kept and in mint cond. Everything works except radio. \$7,500 OBO. Laurie Deer 201-406-6338 (1502RRR)

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- ⇒ **Thursday, 5/21:** Club meeting, held outdoors if weather permits. 7pm at The Fireplace in Paramus.
- ⇒ **Saturday, 5/23:** The first Whiskey Café cruise night of 2015. Held at the Whiskey Café in Lyndhurst—club members will gather at 6pm.