



# The *Cadillac* Connection

## The Las Vegas Region Newsletter August 2018

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Club Website**

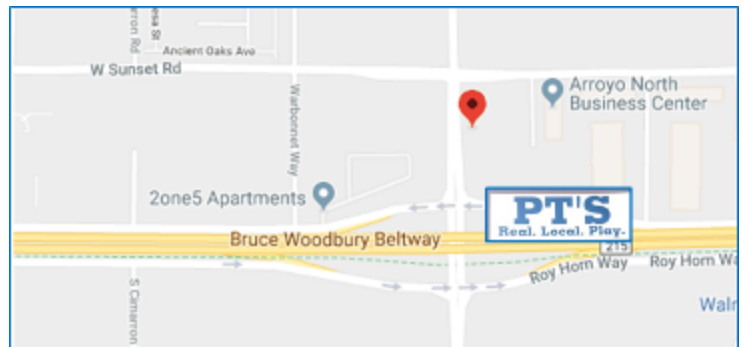


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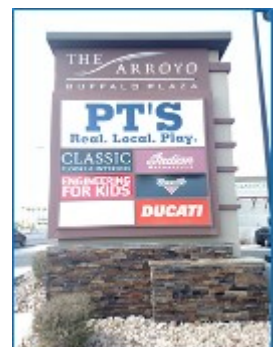
**We've Moved Our Meeting  
To A Bigger Room  
NEXT MEETING**

**4th Wednesday \_ July 25, 2018**  
6570 S Buffalo Dr, Las Vegas, 89113

Located just north of the 215 at Buffalo\_ First Right



5 to 7 p.m. Arrive Early for Happy Hour  
6 p.m. Dinner/Networking  
7 p.m. Meeting  
7:45 p.m. Ticket Drawing  
Wear Your Name Tag and Bring Your Cadillac  
or wear your Cadillac Logo Items  
8:00 p.m. Kick the Tires





See interview with DR about Las Vegas Cadillac Club at <https://youtu.be/eM9WSSdZ0GU>

### **President's Message**

Hello Fellow Members;

This summer is screaming by. Probably like many of you, I am trying to get all of those inside "honey-do" jobs done before fall. In the meantime, I have been thinking a lot about what we do in the club and for the community. I want to be sure everyone even knows some of the major changes we are doing to make the club even better. So I thought I would give a bit of a recap.



The name of the club has changed. It is now: Las Vegas Cadillac Club. You can now get to our award-winning website by googling Las Vegas Cadillac Club or typing almost any iteration of our websites including:

LasVegasCLC.com  
TheCadillacClub.com  
LasVegasCadillac-Club.com

The newsletter now has an official name: **The Cadillac Connection**. Hopefully you will like the expanded format and information.



Do not forget to register for our 2nd annual all Cadillac fall show. It is free so invite your friends. We do need you to register so check the newsletter or the website to register on line. Watch for the website for CTS like Cadillac Through The Years, our spring show.



We have three Toys 4 Smiles wood 1953 Cadillacs, signed and numbered by our own Larry Rafferty, the designer, that are for sale. Every penny goes back into our treasury. We would like to get as much as we can to support the club efforts. If you are interested, please let me know: 714-765-9930 or look at the expanded website.

Well, there is more to come BUT it will save for next time. Be safe out there!

DR Rawson

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Like us on Facebook.

Receive meeting and event reminders automatically. Lots of Pictures!

***Do you want to order a club shirt or other Cadillac and Club logo items?***



Love this new logo? We are in the process of updating ordering new logo items with our new logo. Stay Tuned!

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# Las Vegas CLC Region Club Activities

AUGUST 2018						
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So. Cal National Driving Tour						
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## August 2018

**August 16, 2018**

**Third Thursday**

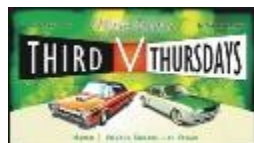
Village Square

Fort Apache/Sahara Charity

5:30-8:30 p.m.

Raffle, Music Classic Cars

Join the group at Viva Mercado around 5



**August 18, 2018**

**Indoor Car Show 10-6**

Southpoint Hotel—see flyer for details

**Wednesday, August 22, 2018**

**Monthly Meetup—4th Wednesday**

NOTE NEW MEETING LOCATION

PTs 6570 South Buffalo

5 p.m. Happy Hour starts

6 p.m. Social Hour/Dinner

7 p.m. Meeting

7:45 p.m. 50/50 Raffle

7:50 p.m. Win Cash!

Wear Your Name Badge

Bring Your Cadi or Wear Your Cadillac Attire



### **Save The Date! Around Town and Future Events**

**Bold** are Official Club Events

- ♦ **Sat October 6 Cars on Eastern 7 a.m.**
- ♦ Sat/Sun Oct. 6-7 Pahrump Car Show
- ♦ **Sat October 13 Classic Cars Downtown Summerlin Free**
- ♦ Oct 12-14 CLC California North/South Meet
- ♦ October 30-Nov 2 SEMA
- ♦ **Sat Nov. 3 Goldstrum Car Show**
- ♦ Nov. 15 to 17 Mecum Auction Las Vegas
- ♦ **Sun December 2 12-4 Holiday Party**

SEPTEMBER 2018						
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## September 2018

**Saturday, September 8, 2018**

**CTS: Cadillacs Under The Stars**

Village Square \_ Fort Apache/Sahara Charity  
5:00-9:00 p.m.

Raffle, Music Classic Cars

See Flyer for more details

**Saturday September 15, 2018**

**Veterans Benefit**

Speed Vegas 9a-12

See Flyer for more details

Need to register

**September 20, 2018**

**Third Thursday**

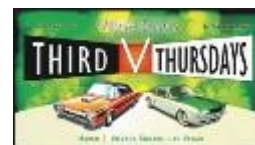
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**Monthly Meetup—4th Wednesday**

PTs 6570 South Buffalo

5 p.m. Happy Hour starts

6 p.m. Social Hour/Dinner

7 p.m. Meeting

7:45 p.m. 50/50 Raffle

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### **More Around Town**

- ♦ Sept 27 to 29 Barrett Jackson Las Vegas



Sept 30 Memorial Car Meet For Healing Garden (see flyer for information)





## The Mary Kay Cadillac

Driving here in Las Vegas, the Mary Kay Cadillac to the right was spotted. So a little history. The pink Cadillac is the most coveted incentive awarded by Mary Kay. The modern day Cadillac comes in **pearlized pink** – a color unique to the Mary Kay Career Car program. It was a hot Texas summer in 1969, when the pink Cadillac was born weighing 4,650 pounds, measuring 225 inches with a roaring engine and 375 horsepower. More than 19,000 pink Cadillacs have been in the hands of Mary Kay Independent Beauty Consultants.



## The Glorious Age of Car Design Documentary

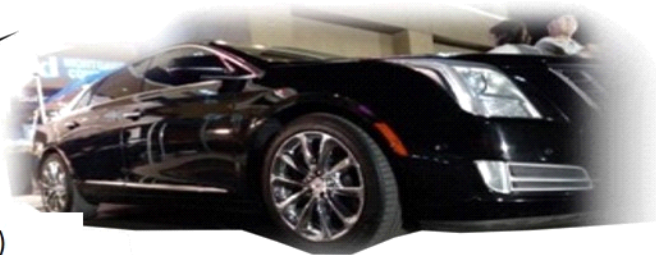
Watch at <https://www.hemmings.com/blog/2014/09/01/the-story-of-styling-postwar-american-car-designers-are-celebrated-in-the-new-film-american-dreaming/>

American car design reached its experimental, optimistic zenith in the post-WWII era. Yet for every car built, hundreds of sketches and concepts were destroyed, the designers who penned them working in corporate anonymity.

Concept sketches offered a look inside what was going on at Ford, GM, and Chrysler during the golden age of American car design, 1948 to 1973. The sketches unearthed by American Dreaming's documentarians represent only a minuscule fraction of what design departments created in that era: Aside from famous head stylists like Harley Earl and Bill Mitchell, most designers worked as anonymous members of a brand's styling house, their unused sketches destroyed to prevent copycatting by the competition.

As Elia "Russ" Russinoff, who designed for GM for forty years, explains in the trailer, a number of designers couldn't stomach seeing their unrealized concepts fed to the shredder — so they spirited out their best work, hidden under false floors in shipping crates. Those secretly smuggled sketches and the brilliant minds that created them are gradually being lost to time. That's a shame, because the concepts the American auto industry cranked out in the post-war era still inform modern design today. American Dreaming hopes to preserve that unseen legacy. It's a dream project, whether you're a car enthusiast, a design nerd, or simply someone fascinated by the past visions of our transportation future.

# LAS VEGAS CADILLAC & LASALLE CLUB



## Cadillacs under The Stars

**Presented by: Village Square**

9400 West Sahara (at Fort Apache)

**Sponsored by: Findlay Cadillac**  
In Henderson

September 8th, 2018

[This form is also available online at Las Vegas Cadillac & LaSalle Club](#)

**Classics, New, Modified, and Custom are all welcome.** If it has a Cadillac badge, we want to see it. Share your Cadillac stories with us and others. This is not a judged show.

There will be vendors, music and raffle tickets available for purchase supporting a local charity. There are also great places to eat in the Village Square. A bit of something for the entire family.

There is **NO Registration Fee**, but we need a count of the number of cars to expect, so please register. For more information or questions contact **Gary at 702-219-2839 or DR at 702-701-0378**. When you arrive, you'll be shown where to park your car. Great care will be taken to ensure that your car will have sufficient room all the way around it for viewing purposes.

**Agreement:** The Las Vegas Cadillac & LaSalle Club (LVCLC) reserves the right to cancel or change any activity. All events are held rain or shine on a first-come, first-served basis. I agree to display the vehicle listed at the show location on the show date and designated time. In consideration for participation, I hereby release and discharge the Cadillac & LaSalle Club (national) and & the LVCLC officers and membership, display location, display location owners and participants, and anyone connected with the management and/or sponsorship of Cadillacs Under The Stars (CTS) event of and all known and unknown damages, injuries, licenses, negligence of any party, and/or claims of any cause whatsoever that may be incurred by an entrant, his person or property or other liability. I agree to allow pictures of myself and/or my vehicle to be used in any publicity and or advertising of this event and distribution through the Las Vegas Cadillac & LaSalle Club.

### Show Schedule:

**5:00 pm**                      **Cars arrive. Parking is in arrival order**

**6:00 pm**                      **All cars are in place and the show opens**

**9:00 pm**                      **The show officially ends - Thank you for sharing the story of your beautiful Cadillac**

**Car Registration:** Year \_\_\_\_\_ Make (    ) Cadillac (    ) LaSalle Model \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please print your name \_\_\_\_\_ email address \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE BRING YOUR COMPLETED FORM WITH YOU**





Here is a special event for your consideration. All registration and raffle money will benefit the Veteran's Village. DR is going and registering his 2001 SLS, Consider registering at least one car and let's look for each other at the event.

The first 150 car registrants will receive a complimentary t-shirt and a day pass for two people to the Barrett Jackson Car Auction at Mandalay Bay from September 27th - 29th.

In order to qualify for the t-shirt and pass, you must check in to the car show by 8:15AM. If you do not check in by 8:15AM, the t-shirt and pass will be forfeited. Gates will open at 7:15AM.

**Copy and paste in browser to register:**

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfCygtFPd10CasNnfXyQqVclZCHZM\\_Xi-gp2pJqSyLBm3ciw/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfCygtFPd10CasNnfXyQqVclZCHZM_Xi-gp2pJqSyLBm3ciw/viewform)

## Memorial Car Meet To Benefit the LV Healing Garden





## Happy 116th Birthday Cadillac!

A new company called the Cadillac Automobile Company was established on 22 August 1902, repurposing the Henry Ford Company factory at Cass Street and Amsterdam Avenue. It was named after French explorer Antoine Laumet de La Mothe, sieur de Cadillac, who had also founded Detroit in 1701.

The Cadillac Motor Company was formed in 1905. From its earliest years, Cadillac aimed for precision engineering and stylish luxury finishes, causing its cars to be ranked amongst the finest in the United States. Cadillac participated in the 1908 interchangeability test in the United Kingdom, and was awarded the Dewar Trophy for the most important advancement of the year in the automobile industry. In 1912, Cadillac was the first automobile manufacturer to develop the self starter and electric lights.

Cadillac was purchased by the General Mo-

tors (GM) conglomerate in 1909. Cadillac became General Motors' prestige division, devoted to the production of large luxury vehicles. The Cadillac line was also GM's default marque for "commercial chassis" institutional vehicles, such as limousines, ambulances, hearses and funeral home flower cars, the last three of which were custom-built by aftermarket manufacturers.

In 1915, Cadillac introduced a 90-degree flathead V8 engine with 70 horsepower 2400 rpm and 180 pound force-feet of torque, allowing its cars to attain 65 miles per hour. This was faster than most roads could accommodate at this time. Cadillac pioneered the dual-plane V8 crankshaft in 1918. In 1928 Cadillac introduced the first Synchro-Mesh manual transmission, utilizing constant mesh gears. In 1930 Cadillac implemented the first V-16 engine, with a 45-degree overhead valve, 452 cubic inches, and 165 horsepower, one of the most powerful and quietest engines in the United States. The development and introduction of the V8, V16 and V-12 helped to make Cadillac the "Standard of the World". A later model of the V8 engine, with overhead valves, set the standard for the entire American automotive industry in 1949.

Source: Wikipedia.



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435-668-0474



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This Cadillac was at the 2018 Cadillac Through The Years  
1950 4-Door Cadillac Series 62 barn find  
Interested? Contact Jesse L at 702-886-3050  
Asking \$25k OBO





## Jerry's 1941 Cadillac Summer Project **DONE!** Stay tuned for the next challenge!



My work continues on my 41 Cadillac. The windshields have been installed, the wipers work, the dash has been reinstalled with a new glove box. It took several days to paint, color sand and polish the dash. My car now runs on a 12-volt system instead of the original 6-volt system. All the lights are much brighter so it should be much safer to drive after dark.

The work continues. I have sent the radio out to Richard Blankenship ([randbvintageautoradio.com](http://randbvintageautoradio.com)) to have a Bluetooth installed and the radio converted to 12- volts. My next challenge is the dash gauges. The gauges have never been dependable, since I have owned it.

My wife Linda and I would also like to thank everyone who has helped and supported me on this project. John Adams has put in count

less hours of help and keeping me centered and on course. The help from Lyle Knox, John Jipson and Colin Christie also made it all come together.

I would especially like thank Ed Cholakian ([allcads.com](http://allcads.com)). The complete list of new and used parts I have received from Ed, the owner of All Cadillacs since 2005, is to long to list. On this job alone I was able to get the glass, wiper motor, wiper transmissions, horn relay, rubber parts, glove box, defroster vent, trunk light and a electric fuel pump. Oh yes, and a new firewall pad with insulation. I would not have been able to complete this job with out him.

Thanks again to all of you very much for your help.  
Jerry Robinson



Jerry/Linda: We can't wait to see your 41 at CTS and the meetings. The pictures

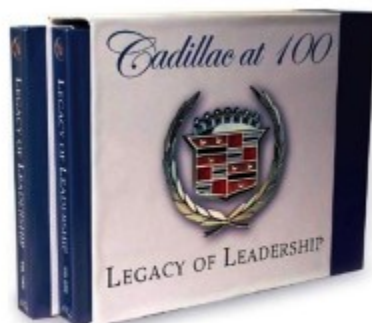
### Radiator Core Support



### Dash Support



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## The Beast



Probably one of the best known Cadillacs around: the presidential limo is known as Cadillac 1, Limo 1 or "The Beast". After the Kennedy assassination, many changes were made in how the president travels.

A lot is not known about "The Beast" but here are a few specs:

Weight:	20,000 pounds
0-60 MPH:	15 seconds
Maximum Speed:	60 MPH
MPG:	8 (Sound familiar?)
Passengers:	7
Armor plating:	8 inches thick
Glass:	5 inches, bulletproof
Tires:	Kevlar; bus size
Fuel:	Diesel

But did you know it isn't actually a Cadillac.

The Beast shares little in common with a standard production car. Its chassis, diesel engine and transmission are based on those used in the Chevrolet Kodiak, a rugged commercial vehicle previously sold as everything from a dump truck to a U-Haul. Some standard trim pieces, like headlamps from an Escalade and tail lights from the now-discontinued STS, keep it looking vaguely Cadillac-like. In addition, the President sometimes travels in a heavily-armored Chevrolet Suburban or a modified Prevost bus known as Ground Force One rather than The Beast.

### Source and More Info, go to:

<https://www.leftlanenews.com/the-beast-10-things-you-need-to-know-about-the-presidents-limo-80466.html>

<http://www.businessinsider.com/presidents-one-of-a-kind-limo-the-beast-with-trump-in-asia-2017-11>



### **The Beast has it's own C-17 Cargo Plane**

Yes that is a Suburban that goes with the Beast. It's known as Roadrunner.



### **NOTE The Vehicles the kids are driving!**

### **From Things that are not there anymore**

Beverly Park and Ponyland: The 'Kiddieland'  
that Inspired Walt Disney  
Circa 1958

Thanks Larry R for Story Info

From 1945-1974, children growing up in Los Angeles had their own mini-fair. Beverly Park operated on less than an acre, on the corner of Beverly Blvd. and La Cienega, the present home of the Beverly Center Mall. There were usually about twelve kid-sized rides, as well as animals, hot dogs and cotton candy.

Source: <https://www.kcet.org/history-society/beverly-park-and-ponyland-the-kiddieland-that-inspired-walt-disney>



## **Cadillac & LaSalle Club National / International Events**

Cadillac & LaSalle Club National and International Events give you the opportunity to tour the country and meet others that enjoy Cadillacs. **See the national web site/Self Starter magazine for details and registration forms**

**Reminder:** Get Your Hotel Room Now for June 2019 GN in Louisville Kentucky

**September 21-21, 2018**

Cadillac Museum Fall Festival  
Hickory Corners, MI

**August 29 to September 2, 2018**

2018 European Cadillac & LaSalle Celebration

**June 11-16, 2019**

2019 CLC Grand National  
Louisville, KY

**October 22 - 26, 2019**

2019 CLC National Driving Tour  
Valley Forge PA

**August 22-28, 2020**

2020 NW National Driving Tour,  
Portland OR

## **Looking for More Local Car Events?**

Check your award-winning web site calendar: [LasVegasCadillacClub.com](http://LasVegasCadillacClub.com)  
Check out the LV Cruising Association  
Locations Vary

<http://lasvegascarshows.com/>

**Saturday Morning Car Show  
Eastern and 215**

<http://www.celebritycars.com/weekly-car-show-.aspx>

## **Southern California Driving Tour**

You missed a great time if you missed the driving tour. The highlights were The Nethercutt and The Peterson Museums in LA. The



group then spent the day in Santa Barbara. We then headed from Ventura area to Solvang and met some of the Mendenhall family and special automobile memorabilia and motorcycle

museums. The next was the magnificent Hearst Castle. On the last day we saw magnificent prewar Cadillacs and a variety of cars up in private residences in wine country of Paso Robles. We rounded out the tour with a trip to see cars and airplanes and a goodbye dinner at the famous Madonna Inn (Ask Gary about the men's bathroom).



This 1956 Cadillac from Georgia won long distance and oldest car to complete the tour. The hard luck award was a beautiful 1976 Fleetwood that blew a head gasket on arrival. A special thank

you to So. Cal and all the people that made arrangements. Carolyn and Gary Weaver Enjoy the pictures below. There are more pictures on Facebook and the club website! See you in Valley Forge PA next October! What a beautiful time of year to go.



# Cadillac SRX

