



NORTH JERSEY REGION OF THE CADILLAC LASALLE CLUB

Caddy Chatter

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Caddy of the month:



Santa's Sleigh is a lovely Diamond White DTS!

TREASURER'S REPORT

Begin Bal.11/28	\$9792.30
Deposits	+825.66
Disbursements	-423.07
End Bal.12/28	\$10,194.89



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CCNJ Wishes You a Happy New Year!



Happy New Year!



Director's Message

By Anthony Vanacore



Happy New Year, Cadillac enthusiasts! As we kick off 2025, I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season surrounded by family, friends, and maybe even a few classic cars.

While I do enjoy seeing snow on the ground in December for a change, I can't help but wish our New Jersey roads held out just a little longer before being salted. There's something truly special about taking the classics out for a spin in the winter months with the heat cranked up—it's an experience that warms the soul. Unfortunately, the salt won this round.

On **Saturday, December 21st**, I had to take my '55 out on the salty winter roads to address a persistent rough idle issue. Michael Cascio graciously attempted to diagnose the problem and determined there is an unresolved vacuum leak, potentially coming from the intake manifold. Further testing may be needed to pinpoint the exact location, but I'm optimistic we'll get it resolved soon.

In lighter news, I had a blast riding around all December in my '95 DeVille with a wreath proudly attached to the grille! It's always fun to spread a little holiday cheer Cadillac-style.

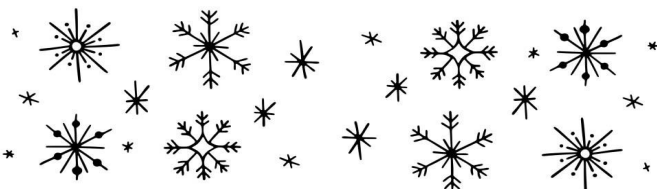
Looking ahead, the board will be meeting for breakfast on **Saturday, Jan 4th, 9:00 AM, at the Park West Diner**. If you'd like to join us, please reach out ASAP—we'd love to have you!

Our **Winter Dinner** will take place on **Sunday, February 23rd**. Details on pricing and location can be found on page 4 & 5, so mark your calendars—it's always a great evening to gather and celebrate our shared passion.

Thank you all for your continued enthusiasm and support. Here's to a fantastic year ahead filled with great cars, events, and camaraderie.

Stay warm, and I hope to see you soon!

Best regards,
Anthony





Caddy Club Joins in Holiday Support for Benji Cullere



On Friday, December 13th, the Cadillac Club of North Jersey had the incredible opportunity to spread holiday cheer and make a meaningful difference in the life of a young boy. Member Rob Cochrane, along with Joe Vanacore and Frank Monte, joined a special event to light up the Cullere family home for Christmas in support of Benji Cullere, an 8-year-old boy who has faced unimaginable challenges in his young life.

Benji has been living with mucopolysaccharidosis type 1 (MPS 1), also known as Hurler's syndrome, a rare and terminal genetic disorder. His journey has included extensive medical treatments, a bone marrow transplant, and numerous surgeries. Despite these hardships, Benji's resilience, confidence, and vibrant personality have continued to inspire everyone who meets him.



The event was a heartfelt celebration of community and generosity. Santa Claus himself made a grand entrance riding in Rob's stunning Eldorado, adding extra magic to the evening. Classic Cadillacs from club members lit up the night, creating a festive and heartwarming scene that brought smiles to Benji and his family.

Rob, Joe, and Frank were proud to represent the Cadillac Club and show Benji that he and his family are deeply supported by the community. Their presence, along with the dazzling display of classic cars, helped make this holiday season truly unforgettable for Benji.



This special event highlighted the true spirit of the holidays—coming together to make a difference. The Cadillac Club is grateful to everyone who participated and wishes all its members a safe and joyful holiday season!





CCNJ Winter Dinner Save the Date! February 23

CADILLAC CLUB OF NORTH JERSEY'S Winter Dinner!

Sunday February 23rd 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

**JACKET REQUIRED
TIE OPTIONAL**



*The Brownstone House
351 W Broadway,
Paterson, NJ 07522*

\$45 PER PERSON





CCNJ Winter Dinner Save the Date! February 23

By Bill Marcy

Mark your calendars! The Cadillac Club of North Jersey (CCNJ) is excited to announce our Annual Winter Dinner, taking place on Sunday, February 23, 2025, from 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM at The Brownstone, located at 351 W. Broadway, Paterson, NJ. As always this is a celebration so please dress in your best! Dig out that jacket and tie!



We will gather in the Ballroom West to enjoy a wonderful afternoon filled with

- A delicious buffet featuring a variety of options for every palate
- Music to set the tone for a festive event
- Our always-popular 50/50 raffle and Tricky Tray
- Awards recognizing outstanding contributions
- Plenty of great conversation and camaraderie

Whether you're a longtime attendee or considering joining us for the first time, this is an event you won't want to miss!

Tickets are \$45 per person. Please make checks payable to CCNJ and mail them to:

Bill Marcy
349 Lookout Ave
Hackensack, NJ 07601

If you have any questions, feel free to call Bill at 201-954-3159.

We look forward to seeing everyone there for a memorable afternoon!





Introducing Our 2025 Board Members

We are proud to introduce the dedicated team of board members who help lead and shape the direction of our club. Each of these individuals brings their passion for Cadillacs, years of experience, and commitment to making our community thrive. Let's meet our 2024 board members:



Anthony Vanacore

I've been involved in the Cadillac community for years and currently own a 1955 Series 62 sedan, which I drive on weekends, and a 1995 DeVille (previously owned by Dick Bankart), my daily driver that I've worked to restore. I'm thrilled to continue with the Cadillac Club of North Jersey, helping grow the club through events, drives, and a supportive Cadillac community. I'm excited to work with everyone for another great year!



Joseph Vanacore

As an original member since 1991, I've enjoyed countless memories, from Brogan Cadillac shows to cruise nights at the Fireplace in Paramus. My family attended our first Grand National in 1998, winning First Place for my 1973 Eldorado Fleetwood, "Blue Magic." Over 30 years later, I joined the Board to help grow the club and share the hobby with my sons. I'm grateful to serve CCNJ and look forward to contributing nationally.



Lois Harriman

Rob and I joined CCNJ in 1996 after reading about a car show at Tice's Farm. We were welcomed so warmly that we joined before getting our first Cadillac. I've served as Photographer, Merchandise Chair, and Director. Now back on the Board to assist with secretarial duties, I'm excited to continue supporting the club and its wonderful members.



Rob Harriman

Rob has been a "Cadillac man", since his dad's acquisition of a then 10-year-old 1963 Six-Window Sedan de Ville. A couple of decades later, in 1996, he discovered and immediately joined Cadillac Club of North Jersey, then a year later he joined Cadillac LaSalle Club and took delivery of his first and still favorite Cadillac, a 1963 Coupe de Ville, christened, "Doris." 2025 will be the twentieth year for Rob to serve as your Treasurer, if selected by the 2025 Board to continue in the role



Rob Cochrane

It's an honor to be part of CCNJ—it's the real wheel deal. I'm 54 and have been a car enthusiast since my teens, owning over 100 vehicles, including two Cadillacs before my '85 Eldorado Biarritz. I've produced seven charity car shows and hope to help CCNJ grow. I attend weekly cruise nights and encourage members to join—more participation drives growth. Happy New Year to all—here's to smooth rides ahead!



Josh Capizzi

I'm Joshua Capizzi, and I thank you for electing me to the Board. I bought my first Cadillac, a 1978 Coupe DeVille, in January 2023, fulfilling my long-time interest in collector cars. Joining CCNJ has allowed me to connect with others and enjoy both Cadillacs and camaraderie. I look forward to hosting events and cruises, making new friends, and keeping the club moving forward.



Al Vizzone

I'm Al Vizzone, IT Director for East Hanover Township. I've loved Cadillacs since childhood and now own five: a 1999 DeVille, 2002 DeVille, two 2004 DeVilles, and a 2004 DTS—all with Northstar engines, two exceeding 200,000 miles. I perform my own maintenance, including oil and transmission fluid changes, as well as washing, waxing, and polishing. I've taken my Cadillacs on long cruises, including trips to Florida, Michigan, Mystic, CT, and Newport, RI. There's nothing like enjoying them on the open road.



Michael Cascio

My love for Cadillacs began in Clifton, New Jersey, where I grew up riding in my dad's Cadillacs. As an adult, I started owning them myself, building a collection today from the 1930s to the 2000s. I've always enjoyed restoring vintage items—cars, radios, and Hi-Fi systems—and take pride in doing most of the work myself. I have always had a passion for bringing old things back to life. A member of the Cadillac Club of North Jersey for over 15 years, I've helped establish our region and represent it nationally. Watching the club grow & connecting with others has been incredibly rewarding experience.

The new board will meet on **January 4th** to discuss plans for the upcoming year and continue their efforts to strengthen our club. We look forward to another great year with this team at the helm. Stay tuned for more updates, and feel free to reach out to any of our board members with questions or ideas!



Help Wanted: Newsletter Editor for CCNJ

The Cadillac Club of North Jersey (CCNJ), the North Jersey region of the Cadillac & LaSalle Club (CLC), is seeking a dedicated member to take on the role of **Newsletter Editor** for our beloved *Caddy Chatter*.

As the editor, you will have the opportunity to shape our club's communication, highlight upcoming events, and showcase our members' passion for Cadillacs.

Requirements:

- Proficiency in PowerPoint or Google Slides.
- Ability to submit the completed newsletter at least **5 days in advance** as a draft for review to proofreaders

If you're interested in contributing your creativity and organizational skills to the club, please reach out to the club via email. We look forward to hearing from you!





The North Jersey Region: Expanding Our Horizons

One of the things that makes the North Jersey Region so unique is the incredible diversity and reach of our membership. While our name suggests a local focus, our region extends far beyond the borders of North Jersey. Over the years, we've welcomed members from all corners of the tri-state area—and beyond!

At our recent **Fall Car Show**, we saw fantastic representation from multiple states: New Jersey had 42 attendees, New York had 32, Connecticut had 6, Pennsylvania had 5, Delaware had 1, and New Hampshire had 1. This amazing turnout shows just how far-reaching the appeal of our club is and how strong our presence is in neighboring states.

Currently, our membership spans the tri-state area and beyond, including 5 members from Pennsylvania, 11 members from New York, 1 from Massachusetts, and 1 from Florida. In total, we have roughly 100 members—a fantastic and growing community that continues to thrive, no matter where you're located.

To our members near and far: thank you for your enthusiasm and dedication to the North Jersey Region. It's truly inspiring to see how many Cadillac enthusiasts share our passion. We encourage those who represent the tri-state area to help grow our club and spread the word to potential new members. Let's continue to build on our strong foundation and make 2025 a year to remember!



1976 Fleetwood Brougham owned by Michael Stinson – Blue Bell, PA



A “shout out” to our members who come from far!

- **Nick Arnone** – Shavertown, PA
- **Dana Ward Arnone** – Shavertown, PA
- **Greg Dawes** – Marlboro, NY
- **Gregg DeCola** – Tappan, NY
- **Alfonso Guagenti** – Lakewood, NY
- **Joseph Hickey** – Tappan, NY
- **Martin Hirsch** – Sloatsburg, NY
- **Kevin Jasinski** – West Nyack, NY
- **Kenneth Simckes** – Monsey, NY
- **Bill Slinn** – Chestnut Ridge, NY
- **Michael Stinson** – Blue Bell, PA
- **Edward Tirello, Jr.** – Washington Crossing, PA
- **Elaine Tirello** – Washington Crossing, PA
- **Robert Walton** – Norton, MA
- **Mark Mazzotta** – Katonah, NY
- **Sal Santoro** – Sarasota, FL
- **Lawrence V. Savino** – Sloatsburg, NY
- **Sally Anne Savino** – Sloatsburg, NY

In Memoriam: Frank Ralph Nicodemus (1944–2024)



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The Cadillac community mourns the loss of Frank Ralph Nicodemus, father of Frank R. Nicodemus Jr., who, along with their family, runs Cadillac Parts & Restoration (CPR). Frank Sr.'s lifelong passion for restoring classic Cadillacs and his dedication to the hobby have left an indelible mark on the clubs and enthusiasts in our area. His legacy, including the iconic "Bad Girl" '55 Eldorado Biarritz, will continue to inspire us all. Our thoughts are with his family during this difficult time.



Cadillac Parts & Restoration (CPR) specializes in the restoration and preservation of classic Cadillacs, offering a wide range of services to keep these timeless vehicles running at their best. With years of experience and a deep passion for the Cadillac brand, CPR provides expert restoration, parts sourcing, and custom solutions to meet the unique needs of each classic car. Led by the family of Frank Ralph Nicodemus, CPR is dedicated to maintaining the legacy of Cadillac craftsmanship while ensuring these iconic cars continue to turn heads for generations to come.



Classifieds

For Sale: 1979 Cadillac Eldorado – East Hanover, NJ

This well-documented 1979 Eldorado, with just over 40,000 miles, was owned by the wife of a Cadillac dealership owner. She wanted a two-tone model, which wasn't offered in 1979, so the dealership custom-painted it two-tone when new. A unique, low-mileage example of Cadillac luxury.

Contact for more details or to schedule a viewing.



Seeking a Classic Cadillac for a Wedding

Dana and Zach are looking to rent a classic Cadillac for their wedding on **November 1, 2025**, at **Shadowbrook in Shrewsbury, NJ** (4:00 PM - 7:00 PM). The car will be used for photos to honor Dana's late father, Jerry, a lifelong Cadillac admirer. They are seeking a **1970s convertible** (black or pink preferred) but are open to other models and colors, including a **4-door Fleetwood or Sedan DeVille**. If you have a car that fits, please contact Dana and Zach directly to discuss rates.

Location:

The Shadowbrook at Shrewsbury
1 Obre Place, Shrewsbury, NJ 07702

Contact:

Dana Affatigato
Landowedding24@gmail.com
347-951-1664



For Sale: 1989 Cadillac Eldorado Biarritz
4.5L V8 | 104,836 miles (mainly highway)
1G6EL1154KU621110

- Original owner, well-maintained
- Always kept in a garage
- Title in hand
- Not currently registered



This 1989 Eldorado Biarritz offers classic late-'80s Cadillac style and performance. Featuring a 4.5L V8, it provides smooth acceleration and handling. The top trim model includes a leather interior, chrome accents, plush seating, and digital instrumentation.

Contact for more details or to schedule a viewing.

1954-1955 Cadillac Continental kit.

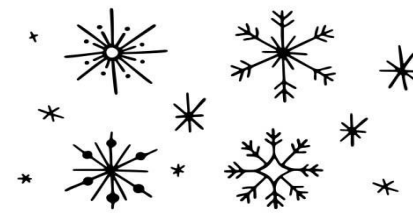
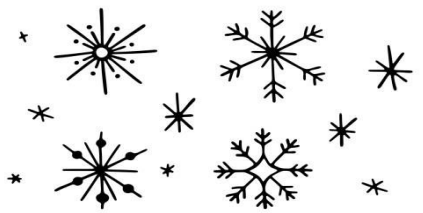
Bought new from Sam Bronstein of "Continental Enterprises" back in the 1980's I never installed it. This is the full extension, "Park Avenue" design. \$1500 back then. Only \$500 now! Part located in Denville, NJ Cheers,
Gup 973-366-5853
(sorry no pic available at this time, call for details)



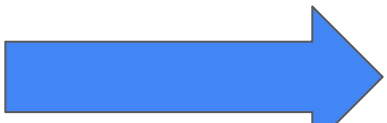
Got car or parts to sell?
Email: Caddy chatter@gmail.com

CADILLAC CLUB OF NORTH JERSEY

2024 CALENDAR



Feb	18th	Sun	1:00 PM	CCNJ Winter Dinner	351 W Broadway, Paterson, NJ 07522
Mar	9th	Sat	9:00 AM	Cars & Coffee - Krispy Kreme	247 Rte 4, Paramus, NJ 07652
	28th	Thu	6:30PM	Club meeting Cruise In - (Rutt's Hut)	417 River Drive, Clifton, NJ 07014
Apr	1st	Mon		Pre register for Nickett collection tour	Mail in
	19th	Sat	9:00 AM	Breakfast Cruise - Tick Tock Diner	281 Allwood Rd, Clifton, NJ 07012
	21st	Sun	11:00 AM	Nickett collection tour	3802 Burnt House Rd Doylestown, PA
	25th	Thu	6:30PM	Club Cruise In - Lodi Pizza	19 US-46, Lodi, NJ 07644
	28th	Sun	10:00 AM	CCNJ - Spring Car Show	State Line Lookout - Alpine, NJ 07620
May	11th	Sat	9:00AM	Cars & Coffee - Krispy Kreme	247 Rte 4, Paramus, NJ 07652
	23rd	Thu	6:30PM	Club Cruise In - Hot Grill	669 Lexington Ave, Clifton, NJ 07011
	25th	Sat	9:00 AM	Little Falls Memorial Day Parade	6 East Main St Little Falls, NJ 07424
	27th	Mon	9:00 AM	Clifton Memorial Day Parade	925 Allwood Rd Clifton, NJ 07012
Jun	1st	Sat	9:00AM	Monroe township car show	200 Schoolhouse Rd, Monroe Twp, NJ 08831
	8th	Sat	9:00AM	Breakfast Cruise - The Red Barn	446 Main Rd, Towaco, NJ 07082
	10-15			CLC Grand National - Gettysburg PA	Gettysburg PA
	27th	Thu	6:30PM	Ice Cream Cruise In - Holstens	1063 Broad St Bloomfield, NJ 07003
July	4th	Thu	9:00 AM	Ridgewood 4th of July Parade	Wilsey Square, Ridgewood NJ 07450
	13th	Sat	9:00 AM	Breakfast Cruise - The Allwood Diner	913 Allwood Rd, Clifton, NJ 07012
	XXth	Sun		Club Picnic TENTATIVE	TENTATIVE
	25th	Thu	6:30PM	Ice Cream Cruise - Dairy Queen	125 Chestnut Ridge Rd, Montvale, NJ 07645
	31st	Wed	5:00PM	Bear Mountain Cruise (Tenative)	Route 9W North, Bear Mountain, NY
Aug	10th	Sat	6:30PM	Club Drive In Movie Night	244 Werimus Rd, Hillsdale, NJ 07642
	22	Thu	6:30PM	Club Cruise In - Pizza Town USA	Exit 157 on GSP North Bound
	28th	Wed	5:00PM	Bear Mountain Cruise (Tentative)	Route 9W North, Bear Mountain, NY
Sep	14th	Sat	9:00 AM	Breakfast Cruise - The After Grill	195 US-206, Flanders, NJ 07836
	15th	Sun	11:00 AM	Shook Funeral Home Car Show	639 Van Houten Ave, Clifton, NJ 07013
	18th	Wed	5:00 PM	Trip to Z-One Diner Staten Island	1821 Richmond Ave, Staten Island, NY 10314
	26th	Thu	6:30PM	Club Cruise In - Shake Shack	479 NJ 17, Paramus, NJ 07652
Oct	12th	Sat	9:00 AM	Breakfast Cruise - Park West Diner	1400 US 46, Little Falls, NJ 07424
	24th	Thu	6:30pm	Club Meeting Nominations - Rutt's Hut	417 River Drive, Clifton, NJ 07014
Nov	3rd	Sun	10:00 AM	Fall Car Show	
	9th	Sat	9:00 AM	Breakfast Cruise - Suburban Diner	172 NJ 17 North, Paramus, NJ 07652
	21st	Thu	6:30PM	Club Meeting Nomination - Rutt's Hut	417 River Drive, Clifton, NJ 07014
Feb	23rd	Sun	1:00 PM	CCNJ Winter Dinner	351 W Broadway, Paterson NJ 07522





No New Members
This Month!



Cadillac Club of North Jersey, Inc.
174 Brown Ave.
Prospect Park, NJ 07508-1918

To:

...UNTIL NEXT Time

Sunday, February 23rd, 1:00PM
Winter Dinner at The Brownstone
351 W Broadway, Paterson, NJ 07522

Reminders:

- Mail your check for the Winter Dinner to Bill Marcy!
- Help the club increase membership!
- Don't forget to start your car periodically during the winter to ensure it's ready for spring!
- Watch out for CLC renewals which will be on the CLC website.

Share your winter projects with us!
Email us updates & photos of what you're working on over the winter.
Happy Holidays! See you in the spring!



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