



# The Standard of the World

West of the Lake Region Cadillac & LaSalle Club

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## Schumann Sworn In As WOTLR Director Issues Sweeping Executive Orders Cutting Costs and Services



## Peaceful Transfer of Power Turns Turbulent as Schumann Takes the Desk

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## Schumann Promises to Annex Badger Region

As the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the West of the Lake Region approaches, newly installed Region Director Dave Schumann has vowed to annex the Badger Region in Wisconsin. According to early Region records, the WOTLR originally covered Illinois, Milwaukee, Racine and Madison, Wisconsin; Director Schumann said “It’s time to take back what is rightfully ours and Make Wisconsin Happy Again, Healthy Again” (spelled MWHABA and pronounced with a sinister laugh. Hats are on order).

Badger Region Director, Ron Wichinski (seen at the right during an emergency summit with WOTLR’s Ron Schweitzer) said “This Schumann guy is NUTS! If they thought they got regular beatings from the Green Bay Packers, wait until they try messing with the Badger Region.”



## DEI out, ABS in

In response to Ron Schweitzer meeting with Badger Region’s Ron Wichinski trying to thwart a WOTLR take over, Director Dave Schumann announced an immediate end to DEI and replaced all programs with ABS (anybody but Schweitzer).



Schumann exclaimed “If Schweitzer, or anyone else for that matter, won’t follow our MWHABA (pronounced with a sinister laugh) plan, we’ll see who laughs last.”

Schweitzer replied that he is the Membership Secretary and is the only person who knows the names of all the members, then reminded Schumann that “A leader without followers is just a guy out walking around. MWHABA! Who’s laughing now?”

If anyone hears from Ron Schweitzer (pictured to the left), please contact his wife Marilyn, she’s been looking for him since his last meeting with Dave Schumann.



## Schumann Names Dan Graziadei Head of DODGE

WOTLR Treasurer, Dan Graziadei (right), has been named head of DODGE, a new department charged with cost cutting throughout the Region. Dave Schumann says “DODGE has always been a cheap marque, and we need to be cheaper, so it fits.”

Graziadei’s first change is to replace our famous and popular West of the Lake Region annual picnic menu of burgers, brats and hot dogs with SPAM.

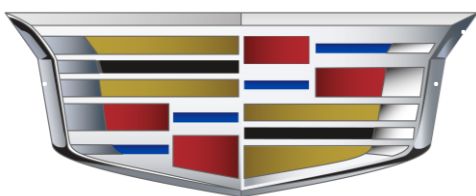
New DODGE head Dan Graziadei also announced that former WOTLR Director, Fred Butalla, would no longer be responsible for distributing the monthly newsletter. Starting in May, distribution of the newsletter will be outsourced to Helen Waite. Graziadei states “If you want your newsletter, you can go to Helen Waite.”



## Former Director Butalla Debunks “Ducks” Claim and is Exiled

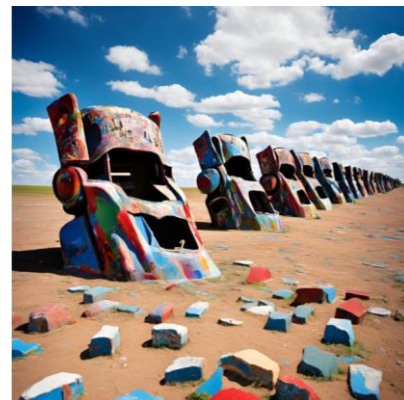


During the 2024 campaign for WOTLR Director, Dave Schumann made the outrageous claim while comparing the new Cadillac emblem with the classic emblem “They’re eating the DUCKS!”, a reference to the removal of bird like merlettes from the classic Cadillac Crest. Fred Butalla stated that the merlettes were removed to streamline and modernize the logo, a claim Schumann called “a big fat lie” and ordered DODGE director Dan Graziadei to immediately build a wall around Fred Butalla’s house to keep him out of our Region. The wall would be modeled after the Cadillac Ranch in New Mexico, but made from Lincoln cars just to irritate Fred.



An angry Butalla said “Wait until my HOA sees this! That crazy bunch of Karens will tear you apart!”

Standard of the World reporters will be working around the clock to bring you updates to these stories as they happen (because working around the clock beats working around here).



Newly named CLC Chief National Judge, Fred Butalla, is required to have his Official Portrait displayed at the CLC Office and at all Grand National Events. Here are the choices for the Official Portrait.



We have OUR personal favorite, but in true democratic fashion, the choice is yours.

**Now if you believed any of that, you need to turn yourself in and collect the reward.**

**Happy April Fool's Day from your WOTLR Editor**

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Welcome to Spring !!!

Our first official event this year was the Spring Fling party, held on March 16th at the Villaggio Ristorante in Roselle. We had an excellent turn out and met several new members as well as current members that we haven't seen in a while. Anytime we can get together as a club, regardless of the event, it's an opportunity for us to enjoy the many friendships that we have as well as welcome new members into our region. Thank you for attending,

We also had our first meeting of the season on March 25th. Thank you for your patience as I begin my duties as your new Regional Director. Since I joined this Club I have attended most of these meetings, but until you are the person "in charge" you don't realize all the work that goes into preparing for these gatherings. You can't just show up. Special thanks to Fred, Tom and Glenn for setting up the Zoom meeting.

Now that Spring is officially here, it's time to get ready for the summer show season. We have several events already on our calendar -

- Sat, April 12th - B Harley Bradley House tour  
701 S Harrison Ave, at the river  
Kankakee, IL 60901 - 12 noon  
cost - \$20.00 per person
- Sun, April 27th - Triton College Car Show  
West Campus parking lot, Fifth and Hemmingway Drive  
River Grove, IL - 10:00am - 2:00pm  
(rain date - Sun, May 4th)
- Sat, July 12th - Mt Prospect Lyons Club Cruise Nights - Cadillac Night.  
SE corner of Northwest Hwy and Maple - 3:00pm - 8:00pm
- Sat, Aug 16th - Patrick Cadillac, Schaumburg, IL  
This will be the 3rd year that Patrick is sponsoring this show  
The Badger Region and the Allante Club will be joining us  
Last year we had 41 cars so this year let's try for 50+

On that note, we are getting some positive feedback from Ettleson Cadillac regarding having a show with them this year. Paul Casey will continue to be our contact person. We also learned that Naperville Cadillac has expressed some interest in hosting a show. Bob Daniels has agreed to be the contact person with this dealership. Thank you, Paul and Bob. There is no better way to show our appreciation to these dealerships than by have a good showing of cars.

On a National note, early registration for this year's Grand National ends on May 2nd. The next deadline is May 16th. After that date, registration will only be available at the Grand National. The longer you wait, the more it will cost. And, most of the tours will already be sold out. Also, you should have received an E-mail regarding voting for this year's Museum Board. On-line voting ends on May 9th. A paper ballot will be included with the April Self-Starter.

This year's season is shaping up to be filled with many shows and events. Wonderful opportunities to show off our beautiful cars, stay connected with our many members and let folks know about our Club. Hope to see all of you at these events.

Our next meeting - Tues, April 29th at 7:30pm

Enjoy the ride !!!  
David Schumann



Month	Date	Event	Time	Details
April	6	AACA Swap-Meet	8AM-1PM	2100 Ogden Ave., Downers Grove, IL (See Page 10)
	12	Bradley House Tour	12 Noon	701 S. Harrison Ave, Kankakee, IL (See Page 11)
	27	Triton College Car Show	8AM-2PM	5 <sup>th</sup> & Hemingway Dr. River Grove, IL (See Page 12)
	29	Monthly Meeting	7:30 PM	American Legion Hall, Elmhurst, IL 301 W. Butterfield Rd., Elmhurst, IL
May	27	Monthly Meeting	7:30 PM	American Legion Hall, Elmhurst, IL
June	1	Union Grove Lions Car Show	8AM	Racine Fair Grounds, Union Grove, WI (See Pg. 13)
	24	Monthly Meeting	7:30 PM	American Legion Hall, Elmhurst, IL
July	12	Mt. Prospect Lyons Cruise Night	3PM-8PM	NW Hwy & Maple, Mt. Prospect-Featuring Cadillacs
	20	AACA Car Show	9AM-2PM	Carpenters Park, Carpentersville, IL (See Page 14)
	29	Monthly Meeting	7:30 PM	American Legion Hall, Elmhurst, IL
August	16	Patrick Cadillac Show	9AM-2PM	Patrick Cadillac, Schaumburg, IL (See Page 15)
	24	Geneva Concours d'Elegance	10AM-4PM	Downtown Geneva, IL
	26	Monthly Meeting	7:30 PM	American Legion Hall, Elmhurst, IL

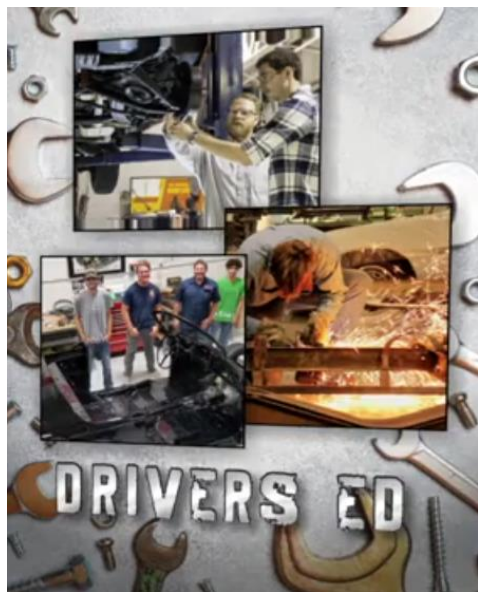
We are now on Instagram: Follow: [westofthelakeclc](#) on Instagram for news, pictures and event updates.

Don't forget about our website: [www.westofthelakeclc.com](http://www.westofthelakeclc.com) Send your car photos to us and we'll add them to the website. Help us to help you get the most out of our club!

## Member Video Page



This is the spot where we feature a short story of your car, a project you are working on or any tips you want to share with the club. Be sure to visit our page and SUBSCRIBE, the more subscribers we have the higher up our videos land in the YouTube search engine.



This month, we feature a link to an interesting story from CBS Sunday Morning. McPherson College, about an hour north of Wichita, Kansas, is home to the nation's first, and only, four-year automotive restoration program. There, car-crazy students restoring classic vehicles (from a 1953 Mercedes-Benz 300S Cabriolet, to a 1965 Porsche 356C) learn to become mechanics and detectives, artists and historians.

Click the link to watch the video:

<https://www.cbsnews.com/video/restoring-classic-cars-in-the-classroom/>

Don't forget to submit your YouTube Video featuring your car or a repair you have done. We have thousands of subscribers just waiting to see your talents.

Send your video to us at [westofthelakeclc@gmail.com](mailto:westofthelakeclc@gmail.com) and we'll feature it right here in our newsletter.

We are reaching a large audience with helpful videos. If you would like to share your knowledge, please consider making a video and uploading it to our YouTube Channel, you could be helping Cadillac owners around the world! Send your video to: [westofthelakeclc@gmail.com](mailto:westofthelakeclc@gmail.com)

## Just a reminder...

All CLC regional members are required to be members of the National Cadillac & La Salle Club as well. Among the many benefits that the CLC offers, they carry insurance coverage for all CLC events. This coverage will cover only members in the event that something happens. If you are not a National CLC member, please contact the National office today.

## Welcome New Members:

Paul F. Fischer  
Bensenville, IL  
1995 Seville SLS  
2008 DTS

David & Elaine Link  
(Frank & Elaine's son)  
Glen Ellyn, IL

New members (and long term members – notice I didn't say "old") feel free to reach out with your life/car story and photos of your cars.

We want to keep our website updated and your car photos are just what we need!

Please remember to carry a couple of West of the Lake Region membership applications (at the end of this newsletter) in your glove box.



Instagram

FOLLOW US ON INSTAGRAM: [westofthelakeclc](https://www.instagram.com/westofthelakeclc)

We post real-time pictures of events, cars spotted on the road and anything that might make you smile. If you can't be with us in-person, follow us at a socially safe distance using Instagram. It's FREE!

## Hey! What's your story?

Have an interesting story about your car, your life or an event the club might find interesting? Share it with us. We are always looking for features for the newsletter. Don't be shy, share your story. You don't have to be a writer, we have word-workers who can put your words into print. Operators are standing by, contact Tom Orlando today: [westofthelakeclc@gmail.com](mailto:westofthelakeclc@gmail.com)

## SENDING OUT GOOD THOUGHTS:

Despite a cold winter, we aren't aware of anyone under the weather or in need of any help. That is a good enough reason to be thankful as we start our new season.

A phone call, e-mail or card is always welcome when someone is feeling low, a good thought or a little prayer is nice too.

If you know of a member in need, please let us know so we can reach out.

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Please send a check payable to West of the Lake CLC:

\$25: Business Card ads; \$40 for a ¼ page ad, \$60 for a ½ page ad and \$100 for the full page (fees are for the full year).

Send your ads or business cards via email to [CadillacGuy35@sbcglobal.net](mailto:CadillacGuy35@sbcglobal.net) or mail to: Dan Graziadei, 962 E. Grant Dr., Des Plaines, IL 60016

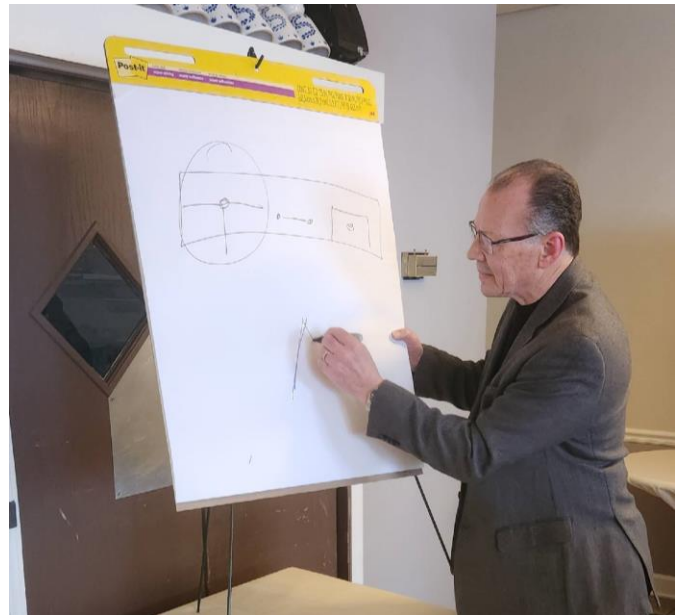


On Sunday March 16<sup>th</sup> West of the Lake Region members and their families gathered at Villaggio Ristorante in Roselle for our annual Spring Fling lunch and game day.



Director Dave Schumann provided excellent trivia games and Former Director Fred Butalla hosted a game of Pictionary that showed off our drawing skills (or lack thereof).

The food was amazing, there were plenty of prizes and being able to see friends we haven't seen over the loooooong winter made it a great day for everyone.





Each month in 2025, we're featuring interesting stories from our 40 year history. We were going through old photo albums and came across a photo of Freda Fetting and Jim Balkus at one of our West of the Lake Region parties. After sharing fun memories of Jim, who was a fixture at our club meetings and events, it occurred to us that we never published Jim's obituary in our newsletter. Ray Bombeck and his wife provided a copy of the obituary. We've been missing Jim for the last two years and will continue to think of him whenever we get together. Smooth eternal roads Jim, you made our lives better every time we were with you.



## James T Balkus

April 7, 1942 - March 26, 2023

James T. Balkus (80) of Elgin, IL passed away Sunday, March 26, 2023. James was born April 7, 1942, son of Hedwig "Hattie" Klahn and her husband Earl near Plymouth, WI. "Jim" was a retired union HVAC technician who enjoyed many years of motorcycle riding. He collected Life magazines, model trains and baseball cards.

He is survived by his son Ronald (Carol Ann), his daughters Cheryl (Thomas) and Kerri (Brian); his granddaughters Nicole, Amanda, Margaret, Melissa, Veronica and Natalie; and his grandson Gabriel.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his brother Robert and very dear friend of 28 years Freda Fetting.

Visitation will be at Laird Funeral Home in Elgin on Sunday, April 2, 2023 at 12:00 PM followed by a service at 2:00 PM. In lieu of flowers memorials may be given to Epworth United Methodist Church.

Photos: West of the Lake Region Archives

## 46th ANNUAL ILLINOIS REGION Auto Parts Swap Meet



On NEW DATE  
**Sunday, April 6, 2025**  
 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM

At NEW DEALERSHIP:

**Bill Kay Corvettes & Classics**  
 2100 Ogden Ave.  
 Downers Grove, IL 60515  
 Website: [billkaycorvette.com](http://billkaycorvette.com)

For Information contact: **Bob Markert**  
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 Website: [www.IllinoisRegion.aaca.com](http://www.IllinoisRegion.aaca.com)

Donation \$5.00 at the door    Swap Spaces \$20.00 each  
 Weather permitting, outside spaces available  
 Car Parts for All Makes & Models



## Join us for a walking tour of a fully restored Frank Lloyd Wright House in Kankakee, IL Saturday, April 12 at 12 Noon

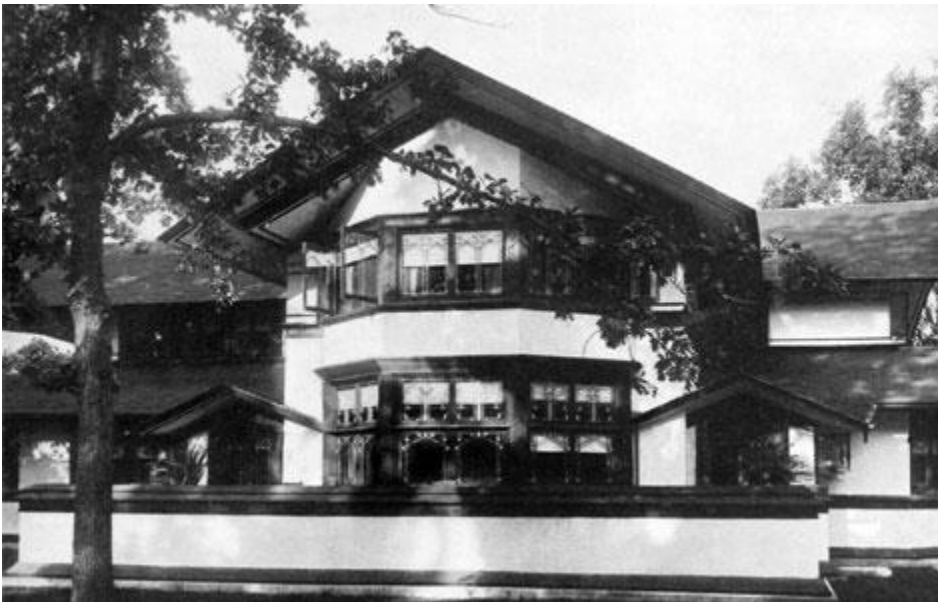
\$20 per person payable to West of the Lake Region

RSVP by April 4<sup>th</sup> to ensure your place

RSVP to Dave Schumann: [uncledavid@comcast.net](mailto:uncledavid@comcast.net)

Some areas of the house are not ADA accessible

Plan on meeting for lunch following the tour



**Date:** 1900

**Address:** 701 S. Harrison Ave.

**City:** Kankakee, Illinois

**Category:** Residential

**Links:** <https://wright1900.org>

**Accessibility:** Public

**Restoration status:** From 2005 to 2010, the house was restored to its 1901 appearance. It is now operated by Wright in Kankakee as a public museum

Wright's design for the B. Harley Bradley house expands upon the architectural vocabulary he had begun to explore in the Husser house, and which eventually came to define his mature Prairie buildings. Accordingly, Wright again employed a quasi-cruciform plan in which a large central living room is flanked on either side by wings that extend laterally. On the exterior, the low, flared gabled roofs exaggerate the horizontality of the squat, layered rectangular volumes that comprise the two-story house. In a bold reinterpretation of traditional English half-timbered design prototypes, Wright carried the plaster and dark wood surface treatment across the entire façade of the house. His uniform application of these building materials brought the structure's main body, projecting wings, and surrounding partitions into harmony with one another. Wright maintained further continuity by designing many of the house's interior furnishings.

## Triton Car Show



Sunday, April 27, 2025  
(Rain date Sunday, May 4, 2025)  
Triton College West Campus  
Fifth Avenue and Hemingway Drive

Exhibitor Check-in: 8-10 a.m.  
Car Show Event: 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Voting for Car Show competition begins: 10 a.m.  
Award categories include: Best in Show, Best Student Car, Best Truck, Best Paint  
Job and Peoples Choice.  
(Winners announced at 12:30 p.m.)

**FREE ADMISSION and PARKING!**

Pre-Registration for Exhibitors is now open.  
To secure your spot for exhibiting your car, it's advisable to register early.  
Doing so will not only guarantee your place but also prevent you  
from waiting in long check-in lines at this much-anticipated event.

[VEHICLE EXHIBITORS ONLY](#)

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER](#)

No registration required for Visitors/Spectators.

**Triton College reserves the right to deny any car inclusion into the car show.**

For more information please contact [carshow@triton.edu](mailto:carshow@triton.edu).





## Union Grove Lions Club

### 45<sup>th</sup> Annual

## Car, Van &

## Motorcycle Show

### Sunday, June 1, 2025, 8:00 AM

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All makes of cars and trucks welcome.  
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8:00 am – 2:00 pm  
1 motorcycle \$10.00 Entry Fee  
All motorcycles 25 years and older welcome.

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**The Illinois Region  
of the Antique Automobile Club of America**

## **74rd Annual Car Show**

**July 20, 2025 \* Carpenters Park  
300 Carpenter Blvd. Carpentersville**

**JUDGED CARS: Must be 25 years or older (2000)  
DISPLAY ONLY: cars through 2022 and slightly modified  
are welcome**

**Open 9 am to 2 pm**

**Awards given out at 1 pm.**

**FEATURE CAR: 75 YEARS OF NASH RAMBLER**



**Come see our new venue at Carpenters Park in Carpentersville.**

From the south: Take Route 25 north to L.W. Besinger Dr. (which is .7 miles north of Route 68) Turn left on L.W. Besinger Dr. Go .4 mile to Maple turn west and follow Maple to the park.

From the north: Take Route 25 south to L.W. Besinger Dr. (which is about .7 miles south of Lake Marian Rd.) Turn Right on L.W. Besinger Dr. Go .4 mile to Maple turn west and follow Maple to the park.

There is no entrance fee for visitors.

Questions? Contact

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**PATRICK CADILLAC**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Patrick Cadillac Show**  
**Saturday, August 16<sup>th</sup>**  
**9:00 AM to 2:00 PM**  
**526 Mall Drive, Schaumburg, IL**

Join us for food, music, trophies and lots of fun at our Premier Cadillac Show of the season!



No fee to enter, open to any and all Cadillacs. You'll have a GREAT TIME; that's a promise, the PATRICK PROMISE, see you there!

For more information, contact Dave Schumann: [uncledavid@comcast.net](mailto:uncledavid@comcast.net)

*Cadillac reveals the all-electric 2026 ESCALADE IQL*

2026 Cadillac Escalade IQL

Cadillac continues to expand the segment-leading Escalade lineup with the introduction of the all-electric 2026 Cadillac ESCALADE IQL. The ESCALADE IQL features the best of the ESCALADE IQ, plus additional passenger and cargo capacity to meet the lifestyle needs of customers who require extra space.

ESCALADE IQL was designed with unique character and engineered to maximize spaciousness for passengers in all three rows, plus offer ample storage for cargo and gear – either behind the third row or in the secure eTrunk.

ESCALADE IQL will be sold globally, including in the U.S. and Canada, with production starting in mid-2025 at General Motors' Factory ZERO plant in Detroit.

Continuing Escalade's tradition of featuring Cadillac's best innovations, the ESCALADE IQL features the latest Cadillac technology for an enhanced in-cabin experience, including:

- A curved pillar-to-pillar 55-inch total diagonal display for an immersive and personalized infotainment experience with voice control, navigation, an app store and dedicated ESCALADE IQL graphics.
- Seating available for up to seven total passengers, with a power folding third-row, which folds flat for more storage

ESCALADE IQL delivers up to a Cadillac-estimated 460 miles of range<sup>8</sup> and when it comes time to charge, customers can expect up to 116 miles of range in 10 minutes at a public DC Fast Charging Station<sup>9</sup>. The 24- module GM battery serves as the foundation of both ESCALADE IQ and IQL, producing 205 kWh.

The West of the Lake Region now has a Club Apparel Store! Click on the link and you can buy any of a dozen different kinds of shirts, jackets, hats, totes or even a banner for your garage.

A portion of the proceeds comes back to our local region to help fund fun activities. So show off your pride in the West of the Lake Region and shop our Club Apparel Store today!



<https://gmclubapparel.com/collections/cadillac-west-of-the-lake-region>





## Zimmerman Automobile Driving Museum No-Reserve Auction April 25 in Auburn, Indiana



*Rob Leonard here from SoCal. As many of you know, my local car museum, the Zimmerman Automobile Driving Museum, recently closed.*

*About half of the collection, roughly 60 cars, will be sold at the Worldwide Enthusiast auction in Auburn. Auction activities take place April 22-26. The cars from the ZADM will go over the block on April 25. Full details of the auction activities can be found at: [www.worldwideauctioneers.com](http://www.worldwideauctioneers.com)*

*There is a nice three minute video on the worldwide webpage that describe the unique aspects of the museum. I am familiar with the cars that will be auctioned, and have personally driven many of them. So, if any of them interest you, you have insider information. 😊*

*I plan to be there all five days of the event. The experience would be a whole lot more fun if I had car buddies to hang out with. Anyone interested in joining me for one or more days?*

*Let me know. Hope to see you in Auburn!  
Rob 310-753-8079*

### **A Note From Ron Schweitzer's Daughter, Lauren Cody:**

*"Some friends of mine in the Cadillac world own and operate a Cadillac parts business out in Pahrump, NV. Unfortunately, they now find themselves dealing with health issues and will be liquidating the entire business. I'm told this includes over 90 project cars and enough parts to pack a 3,000 square foot building. If anyone is interested in learning more about the project cars or has any needs for parts, please give Lorna Sloan a call at 702-419-8678. She is trying to save the cars and parts from having to go to the crusher."*

*A couple of good opportunities to find a nice car or nice parts. –Ed.*

WEST OF THE LAKE REGION  
MONTHLY MINUTES MARCH 25, 2025

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: David Schumann, Valerie Leon Brown, Paul Casey, Ron Schweitzer, Ryan Travis

ABSENT: Dan Graziadei

The meeting was called to order at 7:35pm by Director, David Schumann

New member: Paul F. Fischer with a 1995 SLS and 2008 DTS

Treasurer Report—read by David Schumann for January and February 2025

David Schumann presented trivia and fun facts ☺

Spring Fling-- March 16 at Villaggio Ristorante in Roselle was our first official event of the season. It was very well attended and the food was good. There were games and prizes. Thank you Elaine Link!

April 12—12pm Harley-Bradley House at 701 South Harrison Avenue at the River. \$20.00 per person. This is an hour tour of a Frank Lloyd House in Kankakee, Illinois. It is NOT 100% handicapped accessible. Where we go for lunch TBD. Please contact David Schumann for tickets so he is able to get a group count. A minimum of 10 people constitute a group.

## NEW BUSINESS

A letter was received from Ronnie Hux, CLC President. It was sent to all regions and chapters regarding articles to "The Self Starter". WOTLR will submit an article for the March 2026 issue and will need to be received to later than January 2026.

## CRUISE NIGHT

April 27—Triton College Car Show in River Grove rain or shine. Show begins at 10a. Admission is free.

July 12—Mount Prospect from 3-8p. This will be "Cadillac Night" by the train station.

## CAR SHOWS

May 3—Polish Parade. It will be televised. David Schumann will again be a participant.

August 16—Patrick Cadillac Schaumburg. David Schumann has contacted and invited the Badger Region as well as the Allante Club. It will be all day.

Paul Casey has been in contact with Ertleston Cadillac in Hodgkins. Dates are wide open for a car show.

Bob Daniels mentioned that Naperville Cadillac wants to do a car show.

## GRAND NATIONAL—

Cynthia Rutledge, registration chairman, has reported 64 cars and 164 people have registered thus far. May 2 ends early registration at \$85 per person, \$120.00 per person until May 16, registration will be \$170.00 per person after that. You are able to register on site.

## NATIONAL INFORMATION—Glenn Brown

For a tent in Hershey, Pa, .this was going to be the last year. However, there may be a reprieve as a region is interested in taking it over.

Car Club Council—sharing tents at different events and sharing car information

Fall Festival—plan to bring back the driving tour or bus tour on Thursday, Friday is the car show, Saturday, Class Judging. There will be 1-2 cars for sale.

## MUSEUM BOARD—Tom Orlando

Tom received an email. There are 15 positions and 16 people have submitted applications to be a member of the board. Voting will be on line no later than May 9, 2025.

## LEADS

Steve Guertler would like a CTSV and is selling a 1980 El Dorado.

Glenn Brown is selling a 1979 Coupe deVille d'Elegance with 75K miles. It has wire wheels, sunroof. White over white with blue interior. Asking \$10K.

Paul Fischer Would like someone to look at his 1995 Cadillac. He lives in Bensenville.

Vicki --1991 Brougham d'Elegance. 48K miles

Submitted,

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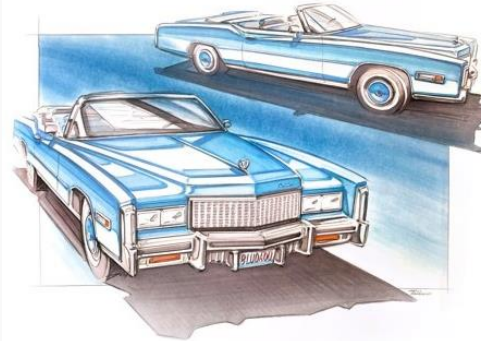
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**Left: Dave Schumann and his new Eldorado**

**Below Left: Robert Kravitz and Dave Schumann at the adoption ceremony.**

**Below Right: Dave Schumann outside the Eldorado's nursery.**





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