

# Newsletter Cadillac LaSalle Club Las Vegas Region

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Having just returned from Grand National in Brookfield Wisconsin in June, I first want to let you know that I was very impressed with the Cadillac & LaSalle Club Grand National organization and events. With the experience recently in my mind, Larry Rafferty, Carolyn Weaver and I met with Director of Sales at the Suncoast Hotel & Casino to update everything about the 2016 Grand National to be sure everything matches with the planning for next April 10-17 for the Grand National to be here in Las Vegas.

Putting together a larger event like this takes a lot of time people and a lot of work but in the end we will have the best Grand National To Date! It Will be the only the first of many meetings that will take place putting on a Grand National is a Team effort and we will need lots of help so very shortly we will be looking for volunteers for all sorts of jobs so here you chance to join in and help the club. If everyone just gives a few hours that week, it will be a great event. April 2016 will be

here be for you know it. Please plan to attend the meetings.



As Always,  
John (JB)  
Questions? Comments?  
Volunteer for something?  
As your President all you have to do is pick up the phone and call me 702-896-2901 or email me at [jbclclv@gmail.com](mailto:jbclclv@gmail.com).



Mike Conforti and His 62  
In DTLV  
(Downtown Las Vegas)

Did You Notice JB's  
Cadillac on the  
License Plate?  
Watch For Your Cadi!  
You Never Know Whose  
Might Show Up!

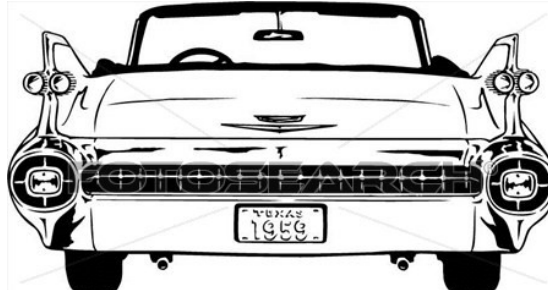
## Check Out The CLC Website

<https://www.cadillaclasalleclub.org>

Monthly Meeting 4th Wednesday 6 p.m. — Blue Ox 5825 W. Sahara

# Drive My Cadi: Hot August Cadillac Things To Do

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## Saturday August 1 10 a.m. Grand National Hotel Tour and Planning



SunCoast Hotel & Casino Alta and Rampart

Meet at the top of the escalator by the bowling alley

Larry Rafferty (Hotel and Food) and Gary Weaver (Cars and Judging) will show us around

Stay for some lunch if you like with the group (dutch treat)

## Friday, August 14 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

### Let's Sonic!

6455 W Sahara Ave

Las Vegas, NV 89146

Sahara and Torrey Pines

Always A Fun Time

Just Like The Old Days

Plenty of Room Here to Sit at Tables

Ice Cream in August—YUMMMMMMMMMM



## Wednesday, August 26

### 6:00 p.m. to 8 p.m.

### Monthly Meeting

Happy 113th Birthday Cadillac

6:00 p.m. Dinner 7:00 p.m. Meeting

Wear Your Favorite Hawaiian or Car Shirt

Blue Ox Tavern—5825 W. Sahara -Just East of Jones

Burlington Coat Shopping Ctr

Bring Your Cadi Stay for Birthday Cake and Kick the Tires

## Other Regular Car Events Around Las Vegas

**CARS LAS VEGAS**  
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Every Saturday, 7 to 10 a.m.  
Sansone Plaza Eastern/215

### West Side Sundays

Every Sunday 7 to 10 a.m.  
Cheyenne and Jones

### Exotics and Expresso

2nd Sunday Boca Park, 8 to 10 a.m.  
Near Sambalatte  
Rampart and Charleston  
Come See the Cadillac Vs!

### 3rd Thursday

Village Square, Fort Apache and  
Sahara, 5-8 p.m. Charity Raffle,  
Music Classic Cars

### Friday Nights

Dairy Queen  
Rancho & Craig

## Note From The Passenger Seat Carolyn Weaver, Editor



Did you know you can find a copy of your newsletter at the national Cadillac & LaSalle Club website? Look in the forums under newsletters. This is YOUR newsletter.

If you want to contact me or have ideas for articles, business cards to add, pictures from events, jokes we can print or just general suggestions, please send me an email at [ccglweaver@cox.net](mailto:ccglweaver@cox.net). All information needs to be received by the 15th

**No One Ever Wrote A  
Song About A Volvo**



## CLC National Events CLC International Events

National Events give you the opportunity to tour the country and meet others that enjoy Cadillacs. Mark your calendars! See the national web site or your Self Starter for details and registration forms.

**2015 Driving Tour**  
**SE Michigan August 11-15**

**2015 Grand European**  
**Lake Zurich Switzerland August 26-30**

**2015 Cadillac Fall Festival**  
**Sept. 25-27, 2015**

**2016 Grand National**  
**April 10 Cadillac Through The Years**  
**April 12 Driving Tour To Valley of Fire**  
**April 13 —16, 2016**  
**Las Vegas, NV**  
**Suncoast Hotel and Casino**

**2016 CLC Driving Tour — Connecticut**  
**2017 Grand National — Washington, DC**



## In Memory of Henry Bazzoli

Henry's 1964 Cadillac 6267 DeVille was a top pick car at our recent 2015 10th Anniversary of Cadillac Through The Years. This truly is a family car. He was very instrumental in recruitment for the local club. He will be greatly missed by the Las Vegas Region—Cadillac LaSalle Club and the Cadillac & LaSalle Club.

Henry Bazzoli, age 86, of Henderson, passed away on July 12, 2015, in Las Vegas, Nevada. Henry was born December 31, 1928 in Chicago, Illinois.

*Deepest Sympathy  
To His Family*



# 2015 Grand National—Milwaukee

## More Pictures In Gallery On National Web Site

If you did not get to Milwaukee, you missed a great Grand National sponsored by the Badger Region. There were around 700+ members in attendance and 200 beautiful Cadillacs and LaSalles. We had a few cloudy days and some rain drops, but the day of the Grand National was PERFECT! It was like they ordered it.

We had the opportunity to enjoy the upper Midwest including a driving tour, tasting local cheeses, touring the Harley-Davidson Factory and checking out other local sights. The program for the 2016 Grand National here in Las Vegas was presented to the National CLC Board. There was a great welcome reception and silent and live auction for the CLC museum on Wednesday night that was a lot of fun. We wrapped up the Grand National with an the Awards Banquet that was attended by over 400 people. It was a lot of fun to see old friends and make some new ones. Watch for your Self Starter for pictures and winners.



A special Thanks for Findlay Cadillac for sponsoring the Judging Seminar to be held on Saturday February 6, 2016. Please save the date and plan to be there and learn all of the technicalities of judging the for the Grand National. Attending this seminar will not only help you with judging, but also learn a lot about what you need to get your car ready. So plan to attend:

Saturday, February 6, 2016  
8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
993 Auto Show Drive  
Henderson, NV 89014

There will be a small fee to cover expenses. Bill Anderson, the CLC Chief Judge for Technical Questions and Authenticity will be leading the seminar.

Lunch will be served and there will snack breaks. We will be comparing a brand new Cadillac to a typical car to be judged at the show in addition to just learning what made the standard of the world.

Questions? Call Gary Weaver 702-219-2839 More information and registration form to be out soon.

### 2016 GN

Hopefully you read your Self-Starter and have reserved the dates April 10—17, 2016 because

you can never have too much Cadillac. The week will be quite an event and the chance to meet people from all over the world!



**Hotel Reservations.** Make reservations NOW for the 2016 Las Vegas Grand National at the Suncoast for great rates. Use the code A6CLC04 at 866-636-7111

OR <http://www.suncoastcasino.com/groups>  
Do not use the regular hotel web site

It is a lot of fun to stay at the host hotel. You don't have to drive back and forth each day and you make a lot of new friends. Think about reserving a room today!

**Volunteering.** When we get closer we will have the opportunity for everyone to pitch in for a few hours during the week or a few hours every day. We will have a better idea exactly the opportunities once the team returns from the Grand National in Milwaukee. Start thinking now what will work for you—Judging? Registration? Hospitality Room? Information Desk? Set up or Take down? Tours? We anticipate the Registration Form to be available no later than mid-October. Susan Story is the Volunteer Coordinator.

**Questions or Suggestions?** Contact Carolyn 702-813-7372 or Gary Weaver 702-219-2839 OR at [caglweaver@cox.net](mailto:caglweaver@cox.net). Gary is handling cars and judging and Carolyn is responsible for all other aspects. See the back page for other coordinators.

# Ethanol And Classic Cars

## Watch On Line — By Pat Goss (Edited)



Older cars and newer ethanol gas. Is that a devilish mixture or a match made in heaven? As our automobiles have evolved, so have the fuels we use to power them. More specifically, fuels today have ethanol in them; the typical one is E10 which is 10% ethanol. But there's also E85 which is 85% ethanol. The basic rule is E10 is ok for everything, but E85 can only be used safely in cars that are FlexFuel compatible. So unless you have a FlexFuel vehicle, don't use E85.

Now, along with the changes in fuels, the myths abound; the internet is full of these dire warnings about what's going to happen to our older, collectible and classic automobiles if we put E10 in them. Well, they talk about engine failures and all sorts of things like that. Isn't going to happen folks; yes, there may be some minor problems but they're easily corrected.

The first thing that you might encounter is at the first use of a fuel containing ethanol because ethanol is a strong cleaner, it can clean away years of dirt, which can plug the fuel filter and can give you some performance problems. Change the filter, problem gone. Also,

inside a lot of carburetors, there's going to be leather parts, there may be some metal or plastic parts that are not compatible with the 10% ethanol. But in those cases, it's probably going to be a long term degradation of performance and it's going to be easy to correct; you just replace the part with a modern part that is ethanol compatible – things like fuel hoses and so on. Sooner or later, all of these parts either have to be updated, rebuilt or replaced. When you do that, simply make sure that what you use is ethanol compatible and you'll never have a problem again.

But one place where you can have a problem that a lot of the miracle products out there that claim to do away with ethanol or to repair ethanol-related problems and so on. Well, many of these are nothing more than snake oil so be very careful. So common sense is the word of the day when it comes to using E10 fuels.



Source:  
[http://www.motorweek.org/features/goss\\_garage/ethanol\\_classic\\_cars](http://www.motorweek.org/features/goss_garage/ethanol_classic_cars)



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# It's The 4th of July In Summerlin

We always have a great time at the 4th of July parade in Summerlin. We had 13 patriotic Cadillacs and we were the second car group to lead the parade. Mike Conforti does a great job arranging and attending the meetings to be sure we know what to do and where to go. The Wagners from Wake up with the Wagners on Channel 3 road with Hal Sheaks and Mrs. Nevada road in Dr. Craig's XLR. We all headed for breakfast afterwards and oh no! John Bergler's 59 overhead and vapor locked. So he waited a while, the car cooled down and all was ok—at least last time I checked. The question of the day was will we see John Bergler at the parade next year and something has happened every time he gets up to participate in the parade. Maybe it's that extra patriotic music he plays. While it was an unusual cloudy day it was still Hot! You'll notice Mike Conforti brought his new Cadi and the CLC Las Vegas Region 4th of July mascot. We all did have a good time and thanks to all who showed. Until next year...





# Hollywood Cars Revisited

You missed a fun and unique time if you did not go with us to Hollywood Cars. We had the opportunity to see real set props being made and meet Jay Ohrberg the man who designs and makes them! It was a real treat as we had not expected Jay Ohrberg to be there. . He toured us through his workshop. Tomater from cars is in the picture below as well as the Taz. Probably some of the “most fun” were the cars from the Flintstones. I saw a couple of people taking selfies with many of them. His partner is real estate developer Michael Dezer. If you are ever in Miami, there is a 1200 car museum that includes where Batman and James Bond park their cars. We just had a little peak at all of it.

We had about 25 people as we had several other car clubs join us. Thanks to everyone that invited their car lover friends. There really is too much movie memorabilia to list but if you missed it, volunteer for this tour at the Grand National—all you have to do is count noses on the bus!





## **Board Members**

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## **Activities**

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Mike Conforti  
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## **Drop Tops**

Hal Sheaks

## **2016 Grand National - Local Team**

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## **The Last Word**

### **How To Know When You Need A New Car**

- ♦ Your passenger seat is on the National Register of Historic Places
- ♦ Instead of an air bag, there is a whoopee cushion taped to the steering wheel
- ♦ You lose the stoplight challenge to a 14-year old on a moped
- ♦ 15-minute Jiffy Lube needs to keep your car for 3 days
- ♦ When you gas up, the attendant asks, "Can I reduct tape that windshield for you?"
- ♦ Thieves repeatedly break into your car just to steal the Club
- ♦ While sitting at a stop light, people keep running up and asking if anyone was hurt
- ♦ For the last five years, you've had to settle for making "vroom, vroom" noises in the driveway
- ♦ You keep losing the passenger on left turns
- ♦ Traffic reporters start referring to you by name when discussing traffic tie ups

## **Have A Caption?**



- Never A Good Sign
- Just Looking For The Engine Number
  - Who Needs A Manual?
- Oh No! Locked The Keys In The Car. I Wonder If There Is Another Way In?

## **F On Exams**

- What is a six sided polygon called?  
A stop sign
- Explain autocracy:  
A nation with a lot of cars.
- What is the difference between a hydrocarbon and ethanol?  
Hydrocarbons don't cause car crashes