



THE WREATH AND CREST

Newsletter of the Cadillac Club of Kansas City



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A WORD FROM THE PREZ

Greetings to one and all and **HAPPY SPRING AND SUMMER!!** Thank goodness the cold weather is finally behind us and we can now get about the business of enjoying some cruising weather!! YAHOO!!

Our activities calendar has filled up faster than CTS V-Series in the quarter mile!! There are many fun activities to explore and enjoy and I hope that you will take advantage of them. Coming up immediately is our annual public display at Broome Cadillac in Independence, MO. As you may know, Broome is one of our primary sponsors and this is a way by which we show our appreciation for their continued financial and resource support. Please make a special effort to join us on Saturday June 21, 2008 from 10:00am until 3:00pm for this annual event. Shine up the car; bring your lawn chairs and cameras. Food, beverages and prizes will be provided by Broome and the club!!

For those of you who have attended our meetings this year, you know that we are in "full steam ahead" mode for the planning and hosting of our Grand National Convention and Car Show in 2010. Committees are beginning to form and our organizational structure is now in place. If you have not heard from your Board Team Lead person yet, you will. We are establishing our committee chairs for the various functions that we have to attend to for the 2010 Grand National to be the **BEST EVER!!**

Membership continues to grow. At each meeting this month, it has been my distinct pleasure to announce and introduce new members to our club. Even though our massive growth spurt of 2006 has subsided somewhat, we continue to grow membership at a level that still has exceeded our wildest dreams. Thanks to all of you who have participated in our public events. This has been our primary source of new members and it would not be possible without everyone's efforts and enthusiasm about our club.

On the subject of membership growth opportunities, we have a dandy one coming up. In July we are coordinating a public display of Cadillacs and other cars of interest at the Worlds of Fun theme park. This will be a great fund raising opportunity for the club and a great opportunity for you and your families. For every car displayed, the owner will receive three passes to the theme park that day courtesy of Worlds of Fun. If you have a weekend day free on July 19, 20, 26 or 27, call Marsha Redman at 816-246-1164. We need 15 cars per day for a total of 60 cars for the two weekends. Please help out if you can and take advantage of the opportunity to have some fun as well!!

There are many other events coming up on our calendar. For dates and times, please visit our calendar at <http://www.kccaddyclub.com/html/calendar.html>, or attached to our June/July Newsletter.

See you all this summer!!!!

God Bless,

Paul Ulasien

Director – Mo Valley Region
President – Cadillac Club of Kansas City
Cadillac and LaSalle Club

Expect a Call

The executive committee met May 17th. In accordance with the unofficial motto of the 2010 Grand National--Let's Keep Ahead of Schedule--President Paul Ulasien asked each member to find chairpersons for the various GN subcommittees. So, if you haven't been contacted...expect a call. Better yet, where do your interests, or passions lie? What particular talents do you have that you'd like to share for a successful event? Some people are born to organize a swap meet; some have it thrust upon them. Let's keep ahead of schedule!

Cadillac Grand European Speyer, Germany Grand National Cherry Hill, New Jersey

The motto of the Cadillac-LaSalle Club may not be: "Join the Club and See the World," but Club members continue to travel and connect with other Cadillac enthusiasts in the United States and abroad.

Many KC Caddy Club members will make the trip to Cherry Hill, NJ August 12th through 16th to help the CLC celebrate its 50th anniversary. If you've never taken the plunge and attended a Grand National, this promises to be a great year to get your feet wet. History buffs will enjoy tours of Philadelphia, while the car guys and gals will enjoy trips to see the AACA Museum in Hershey, PA, and Nicola Bulgari's collection of Buicks in Allentown, PA. To sign up, go to the CLC website: CadillacLaSalleClub.org.

Internationally, Tom and Lynn Keegan were able to attend the second Grand

European held this year in southern Germany. While the towers of Speyer's 13th-century cathedral of St. Mary may have dominated the skyline of this picture-postcard town, it was the towering fins of the classic Cadillacs that dominated Speyer's cobblestone streets.

Nearly 200 participants from eight countries attended the four-day event which began May 21st. Due to parking considerations; the field was limited to 100 Cadillacs—most in super condition. With gasoline at \$10 a gallon, some English and Belgian members made quite an investment to attend. Activities included a driving tour to a vineyard, as well as museum visits and, of course lots of German food.

Kudos to the Classic Cadillac Club, Deutschland, and organizers Sigrid and Gunther Hofmann, for a dizzying week of European history, V8s, sauerkraut, and Elvis. France will host the next Grand European in September 2010. Are you thinking what I'm thinking?



Just Cruise On In

KCCaddy Club Technical/Advisory Committee Chair Craig Wood suggests a couple of weekly cruises if the weather and old cars cooperate:

- Sonic at 87th and Pflumm is now hosting its cruise on Wednesday nights (used to be Fridays), and offering half-price food. This was the gang that previously met at the Sonic on Martway on Wednesday nights.
- Friday nights you might mosey on down to the Longbranch Steakhouse at 91st and Metcalf for a well-attended and growing cruise experience. There's a D.J., door prizes, and a 50/50 drawing. The restaurant offers 10% discount for participants: Craig recommends the Western Dip sandwich.

Car Show at Broome Cadillac June 21st

Hey, get that old car out of the garage because it's already time for the Broome Cadillac/KCCaddy Club car show. This year's Cadillac-only event will begin at 9:30a.m. Saturday June 21st at Broome Cadillac 11911 E. US 40 Hwy. Independence MO, telephone 816-256-5257. Win lots of prizes, plus enjoy a lunch of hamburgers and hot dogs provided by the good folks at Broome, and by the Club. It will be a great opportunity to socialize, and great exposure for the Club. See you there!

No Meeting June 22nd

Hey, we'll see you June 21st at Broome, and the 29th at the BOPC Picnic. We can have a quick "stand-up" meeting at Broome to cover anything that's come up. Besides, we know where you live.

KARL ROSCOE AWARDED "MAYORS CHOICE" TROPHY

On Saturday June 7th, four club members drove cars to the "Lee's Summit Down Town Days" events and car show in downtown Lee's Summit. Jerry Taylor gassed up his sleek 1970 Cadillac Coupe de Ville. Terry Chapman dusted off his old 1940 Buick Coupe. And while Carl & Kay Roscoe paraded down main street in their 1948 Lincoln Convertible, Doug Redman brought along Carl and Kay's 1975 Cadillac Eldorado Convertible. The event had a lot of Hot Rods and Muscle Cars, but what stood out the most was the gang from the Cadillac Club. It was a cool day, and while it looked like rain at any moment, KCCaddy Club members just kind of hung out and answered questions to the many people that looked over the cars. Marsha Redman was also there doing her thing, finding other antique and hot rod car owners who might want to join us at the World's of Fun two-weekend event in July. Always the salesman, Doug Redman could be found working the crowd doing all that he could do to enlist new members. Remember, Doug has printed information available for your prospects.

At 3:00 p.m. sharp the awards portion of the car show began. When the "Mayor's Choice" award was announced-- you guessed it--they called for good old Carl Roscoe to come up to get his trophy for his 1948 Lincoln convertible. Yes, the Lincoln was shining like a new nickel that day, but it wasn't nearly as bright as Carl's face when his name was announced. Good job bringing home the hardware, Carl! This event was a lot of fun and great exposure for the Cadillac Club.

Art of the Car Concours June 28th

The second annual Art of the Car Concours will be held 10:00 a.m to 4:00 p.m. Saturday, June 28th at the Kansas City Art Institute at 4415 Warwick Blvd. Event organizer and car-collector Marshall Miller has hand-selected all 140 vehicles with an eye toward beauty, rarity and significance. The Invitation-only Concours may be Kansas City's premier old-car event. Last year KCCaddy Club member Carl Svahnberg was invited to display his '41 Sixty Special. Proceeds from admissions benefit the school's scholarship funds.

BOPC Picnic June 29th

Yes, I know they don't all drive Caddies, but our distant relations in the Buick, Oldsmobile, Pontiac, Canada (BOPC) Club sure do throw a great picnic. As in years past, the June 29th event will be held at the Marine Park shelter house at Richard's-Gebauer Airport at 12:30 p.m. You can only enter by traveling west from U.S. 71 along 155th Street (Belton Exit). It's a pot luck, so bring a side or dessert. Also we'll need some grilling help, so bring a grill if you can.

Cadillacs on Display at World's of Fun

You'd be right if said Cadillac engineers have spent decades dialing in that popular "boulevard ride" so many Cadillac enthusiasts appreciate. So why, you may ask, would so many KCCaddy Club members give up their plush conveyances for the opportunity to hurtle through space on--of all things--a wooden roller coaster? Well, for one thing, Club members who display their rides at Worlds of Fun July 19th, 20th, 26th, or 27th, will receive three free daily admission passes. For another thing, the Club will earn money for providing the display on behalf of the park.

Cars must be displayed from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., and they will be roped off from the admiring public. The Club will provide a box lunch. Members who choose not to be "Detonnated" can stay with the cars, leaving those who would like to snake around on the "Anaconda", or wrestle with the "Timber Wolf" an opportunity to remember just why they chose to own a Caddy. We'll need 15 cars each day to make it work.

Because there's no meeting between now and July 19th, contact Marsha Redman to sign up for the day(s) you'll attend. Here's a list of who we have so far. If you did not give a date, but have a preference, let Marsha know. Also, we need to know the year, make and model of your car, so like cars can be grouped together. If you want to leave your vehicle at the park overnight, you may. The cars will be perfectly safe. If you know someone who would be interested in showing their car, have them call Marsha. Thanks very much for supporting our club.

Marsha Redman 816-545-6148 office; email: mredma1@hallmark.com

WoF Commitments to date:

Paul Ulasien
Terry Chapman
Carl Svahnberg
Gary Sailor July 19th or 20th
Paul Thompson July 26th & 27th
Norm Kressman
Dave Lowery July 19th & 20
John Hoagland
Jerry Taylor July 19 & 26th
Craig Wood
Tom Keegan July 19 & 20, 1925 Chevrolet
Karl Roscoe Lincoln & Cadillac
Adam McMurray
Sophie Chamberlain July 19th & 20th Thunderbird
Ron Fiest July 19 & 20th Dodge
Chip Hodges 2 cars
Broome Cadillac

Fall Driving Tour

A little too early to start thinking about the fall driving tour? Never! It was suggested at our last meeting to tour sites which GN 2010 participants may enjoy visiting. How about a tour through the National World War I Museum followed by a visit to the Steamboat Arabia Museum. Think about a date. September? October? What works for you?

New Members

Please join us in welcoming these new members:

- o Steven Christensen.
 - o David and Mary Skitek
 - o Dennis O'Connell
 - o Ed and Sandra Hampton
 - o Adam McMurry
 - o Kenneth & Joan Wolfe
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Birthdays

April

- Marilyn Ernat
- Meredith Williamson
- Scott Howard
- Craig Wood

May

- Jim Schultz
- Sherry Ulasien
- Paul Ulasien

June

- Shirley Taylor
- Jeff Pendleton
- Richard Connell (80th)

If we missed your birthday, please make sure we know about it. Contact Jerry or Shirley Taylor at 913-685-7419 or email - shirl.m.taylor@sprint.com

HAPPY AND SAFE DRIVING!!!!!!

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