



December 2006 Newsletter

A WORD FROM THE PREZ



At this time of the year, we generally give pause and reflect on the events of the year soon to pass. As I look back on 2006 on our accomplishments as a club, the word that keeps coming to mind is **WOW**. Let's look back at some of the highlights for 2006:

- On January 1 our active roster of members stood at **21**.
- On January 13th we were awarded the Grand National for 2010.
- On January 22nd we had our first regular monthly meeting at Dick Clark's American Bandstand. The Executive committee proposes new club bylaws which are approved and passed by membership.
- On March 16th, through the 19th we had our club's first participation and display at the 2006 World of Wheels in Bartle Hall (with the assistance of John and Mita Hoagland)
- June 10th we had our first display at Broome Cadillac with 29 cars and many more members attending.
- August our roster grows to **40** active members plus spouses and others.
- Our first annual Driving Tour to St. Joseph was held on October 14th and was a huge success!!
- December our roster grows to over **50** active members plus spouses and others.

And these were only the highlights. There were many cruise nights, picnics and other events throughout the year where we came together as a group to strengthen our resolve and commitment to grow and prosper into the best of all CLC Regions.

My thanks to each of you for your undying support and efforts put forth in 2006. I would especially like to thank the Executive Committee and other various committees and committee chairs for their hard work as well.

In closing I would like to wish each and every one of you and your families the **Merriest of Christmases** and the **Happiest of New Years**. **May God truly bless you all!**

We will see you in 2007!!!!

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

Where are the Nelsons'?

In case you have been wondering, we took our "Vacation of a Lifetime" to the East coast Oct. and Nov.; I say Vacation of a Lifetime, because we started out with no end date in mind. Since we are now retired, we have always wanted to do this. The only destination we had in mind was to drive the Blue Ridge Pkwy., which is about 475 miles long and stretches from Virginia to near Asheville, NC. We timed it right, and the Fall colors were just beautiful. When we got to Jacksonville, FL, approximately 3 wks. later, we decided to go on to the Florida Keys, traveling down the East coast, and coming back up the West coast. We arrived home the Mon. following Thanksgiving, and were welcomed by the 8" snow that fell that Fri. We had a wonderful vacation. I took lots of photos, which I will be glad to share with anyone who is interested.

UPCOMING CLUB ACTIVITIES

Sunday Jan. 14 - Craig & Nancy Woods' **Welcome to 2007** Potluck Dinner - 8602 Dice Lane, Shawnee, KS 66215 - 2:00 pm - - Sandwiches will be furnished - Bring a side dish!

Sunday Jan. 28 – First Monthly Meeting of 2007, 4:00pm. Dick Clark's American Bandstand

Feb. 16-18 - World of Wheels - American Royal Center. Marsha Redman will be coordinating this with John Hoagland, so be sure to reserve your space with Marsha at 816-246-1164 (home). See "oldride.com" for details about the event.

SPECIAL INVITATION!!

We have been invited to join the Classic Car Club for their Spring Tour May 10-13. The first day will be a drive to Topeka, and the other two days will be events nearby. The Des Moines Cadillac Club has also been invited. Carl Svahnberg is coordinating the event with the Classic Car Club, and he will let us know more details when they are available.

HELPFUL HINTS FOR USES OF WD-40

There are about 2.5 million gallons of the stuff manufactured each year. Ken East (one of the original founders) says there is nothing in WD-40 that would hurt you.

1. Lubricates noisy door hinges on vehicles and doors in homes.
2. Restores and cleans padded leather dashboards in vehicles, as well as vinyl bumpers.
3. Keeps rust from forming on saws, and tools.
4. If you spray WD-40 on the distributor cap, it will displace the moisture and allow the car to start.
5. It removes black scuff marks from the floor!
6. It will remove bugs from the front of your car.

Incidentally, I was about ready to print the newsletter earlier in Dec. when my hard drive locked up on my computer, and I have had to get a new one, and load all the information. Sorry for the delay, but I feel like the following article is worth thinking about.

THE HISTORY OF THE 12 DAYS OF CHRISTMAS

What in the world do leaping lords, French hens, swimming swans, and especially the partridge who won't come out of the pear tree have to do with Christmas?

From 1558 until 1829, Roman Catholics in England were not permitted to practice their faith openly. Someone during that era wrote this carol as a catechism song for young Catholics. It has two levels of meaning: the surface meaning plus a hidden meaning known only to members of their church. Each element in the carol has a code word for a religious reality which the children could remember.

1. The partridge in a pear tree was Jesus Christ.
2. Two turtle doves were the Old and New Testaments.
3. Three French hens stood for faith, hope and love.
4. The four calling birds were the four gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke & John.
5. The five golden rings recalled the Torah or Law, the first five books of the Old Testament.
6. The six geese a-laying stood for the six days of creation.
7. Seven swans a-swimming represented the sevenfold gifts of the Holy Spirit - Prophecy, Serving, Teaching, Exhortation, Contribution, Leadership, and Mercy.
8. The eight maids a-milking were the eight beatitudes.
9. Nine ladies dancing were the nine fruits of the Holy Spirit - Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Goodness, Faithfulness, Gentleness, and Self Control.
10. The ten lords a-leaping were the Ten Commandments.
11. The eleven pipers piping stood for the eleven faithful disciples
12. The twelve drummers drumming symbolized the twelve points of belief in the Apostles' Creed.

So that's your history lesson for today. May you have peace and happiness throughout the New Year, and thankfulness that we have the freedom to worship any way we please!

WEB SITE UPGRADES

The executive committee decided during its December meeting to approve upgrades to our club's web site. With the fast approaching Grand National, we felt the upgrades were needed. On your next visit to our club's website (<http://www.kccaddyclub.com>) , you may notice a few changes.

First, we have upgraded to a more feature rich hosting plan, with our web service provider, Netfirms. Included in this upgrade are to have up to 25 Gigabytes of storage, 300 Megabytes of monthly data transfers and 10 private email addresses.

Second, the cheesy advertising banners are gone. Our initial service was free, which meant that we had to allow for random advertising banners to appear on our web site with no compensation. Now we can control who advertises on our web site and we can also collect advertising revenue.

Third, we can now upload all of our newsletters plus other feature rich services. Until now we were limited to file sizes of less than 256 Kilobytes. Most of our newsletters were larger than this, so we were hamstrung as to what we were able to do. Now we can also upload and display videos etc.

Happy Birthday

Rich Gibbs - November 16
Ed Ernat- November 28
Terry Chapman - November 30

Carl Svanberg - January 20
Victoria Chapman - January 25
Nancy Wood - January 25

Welcome New Members

David Lowrey
Jim Shultz

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