



## AUGUST 2006 NEWSLETTER

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### A WORD FROM THE PREZ



**C**an you believe it, as I write this message to you it is already Mid-August and the summer is just about over with! It seems like yesterday we were all sweating it out at the Broome Cadillac show and now we are making plans for our first annual **Fall Driving Tour** to take place on October 14th. We have come a long way this year and the year is not yet over.

Many new members have joined our ranks this year as well as current members getting excited and involved in our club. My thanks go out to each and every one of you for re-igniting the enthusiasm of the KC Cadillac Club.

I would also be remiss if I did not recognize the great folks who you elected last year to assist me in making many of the things that we have witnessed this year happen, our executive committee of **Doug and Marsha Redman, Paul Williamson, Jerry and Shirley Taylor, Judy Nelson and Craig Wood**. These folks work very hard behind the scenes and I hope that the next time you see them that you will pass along a word of thanks for their efforts to date and efforts yet to come.

As we transition into the latter half of 2006, we need to buckle down and focus on several tasks at hand. First of all, we need to complete our evaluation of sites for the 2010 Grand National Convention and then begin the process of making a selection. This is not going to be an easy task; however, I feel that we have the right people on the job and that the selection process will bring us to a site that we can all be comfortable and proud working with.

Secondly, we need to continue to promote our club at each and every opportunity that we can. So far this year, we have brought in several new members through our efforts of teaming up at shows and cruises to spread the word about our club. IT'S WORKING, but we cannot rest on our laurels. Keep the excitement going, and if you see a Cadillac that you do not recognize at a show, cruise, or maybe at the gas pump, take a moment to introduce yourself and invite that person to a meeting, event, or just to visit our website. These things **do work**, and the more members we can have the better for all

In closing, I do wish each and every one of you a pleasant remainder of the summer, and I look forward to seeing you all at our next **monthly meeting on Sunday, August 27th @ 4:00 pm** - Dick Clark's American Bandstand.

May God Bless,

**Paul Ulasien** President – Kansas City Cadillac Club

Director – Mo Valley Region Cadillac and LaSalle Club

## FEATURE ARTICLE

DOUG & MARSHA REDMANS'  
1958 CADILLAC COUPE  
MODEL #6237  
BY DOUG REDMAN



**B**ack about two and a half years ago, I started thinking about the old car that I use to have before I moved to Kansas City. It was a 1958 Chevrolet Impala that was Artic white, with the multi-colored turquoise interior. What a head-turner that car was. It even had those wide white-wall tires that would be just smilin at ya. Next, I started thinking about the car that I always wanted as a teenager but was just out of reach. It was a 1970 Chevelle 454 with an L-6 motor and Cowl Induction. You talk

about fast..... now I got to get one.

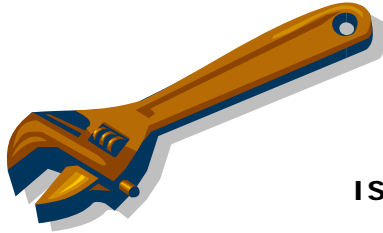
With Chevelle on the mind, I would tell Marsha how exciting this would be to get this old car and be able to go to car shows and hang out at cruise nights. Now that I think about it, I know that she was really thinking " Oh-Boy" and really didn't even want to do something like that. I started my search for the old Chevelle, looking at all of the old car want ads, reading all of the old car trade publications, searching high and low for that 500 horsepower dream.

One day while at a Quik-Trip I was looking in Old Car Trader, thumbing though the pages like months before and POOF, there she was! No it wasn't a '70 Chevelle; it was a 1958 Cadillac Coupe, all shiny and white with tons of chrome. When I say chrome, I mean more chrome than you can imagine. She was everything a car was supposed to look like. I called up the owner and he told me everything I wanted to know about this spectacular machine and then some. He then sent some photos in the mail, now I was really hooked, line and sinker. I called up the guy and worked out a deal on the phone. Next thing you know, I bought the car sight-unseen.

Now it was time to go pick the car up, right!, No wrong. It was in the transmission shop up in Lincoln getting rebuilt. I ended up having to wait five long weeks until it was ready to roll. Then on that special day, Marsha and I drove to Lincoln to take possession of the old land yacht. We picked up the old car and headed back to Kansas City, in a total downpour, all the way home. Not a problem, my dream machine was now sitting in our driveway.

The rest is history. I contacted a place called McVeys where I met Craig Wood and he was a great help, letting me know that the Classic Cadillac that I just purchased was not what I called the cheap model, Craig politely referred to it as the affordable model. Next thing you know, Craig invites me to a meeting of some club, called the Cadillac Club of Kansas City. It wasn't long until Marsha and I met some of the finest people we have ever known. And now, when I talk to Marsha about going to

one of those boring cruise nights, she's a hoppin, ready to roll, ready to go out and have fun and meet more exciting people and enjoy the friendships that we have created.



## THE TECHNO PAGE

**IS YOUR CADILLAC A COUPE DE VILLE?  
BY CRAIG WOOD**

One thing I've noticed about John Q. Public is they generally call ANY Cadillac with two doors a Coupe Deville. This is not true! In 1958 for example they made 5 different 2 door cars. Only ONE is a Coupe Deville. Let's begin the education. In order to create a greater degree of pricing structure there are 3 two door hardtops. The major differences between these are mostly in the interior. Let's start by eliminating the top dog of the three, the Eldorado Seville. Seville always denotes hardtop of the Eldorado series. This leaves us with the series "62" coupe and the Coupe Deville. On the outside, the fender badge will say Cadillac on the series "62", and Coupe Deville on the other car. There is also an added chrome piece on the lower half of the rear fender blister. It is located below the piece that the original owner used to rub on the side of the garage frame.

Moving on inside is where the big differences become apparent. The center armrest in the front seat of the series "62" is non-functional! Many people have tugged on it until it finally breaks loose and discover there are no hinges on it. There is also one light instead of two on the ceiling. The door panels have a flat area ahead of the armrest to allow room for the crank if power windows were not ordered. Power windows and a two-way electric seat are standard on the Coupe Deville. Since the two-way is standard on the Coupe Deville, the up-grade charge is less to move up to a 6-way seat than to order 6-way on the series "62". The body tag on the Coupe Deville will say 58-6237DX. This indicates the Deluxe version of the series "62" and the X indicates power windows. Series "62" coupes will show the X (if so equipped) in the accessories list at the bottom of the tag.

There are no lighters in the rear of the series "62" coupe. The rear window button (if equipped) on the series "62" is in the side panel instead of the ashtray assembly. The next two door to mention is the series "62" convertible. This is the most incorrectly named Coupe Deville. This car did not achieve Deville status until 1964. Then it was called Deville, the only one with a big D. The truth is that the series "62" convertibles had all the pedigree of the Coupe Deville in that they had as much or MORE leather and power windows standard. BUT, the Coupe Deville nomenclature was invented to describe a two door metal roof car with no B pillar (commonly called the "post" by some) that was introduced during the 1949 model year. This only deviated in 1956 with the introduction of the Sedan Deville.

One of the biggest differences between the series "62" coupe and the Coupe Deville is that the Deville is part fabric and leather. The "62" is fabric and "elascofab" which was the there word for coated fabric or vinyl. The last two door remaining is the Eldorado Biarritz. Many people ask, after telling them its a Biarritz, "Is it a convertible?" The Biarritz denotes the convertible Eldorado. Keep in mind we aren't talking the '70s or '80s here. The Brougham was the four door Eldorado produced in small quantities. In 1959 they got smarter and moved the Deville series up to "63" and the Eldorado to "64". This helps to quickly identify them by body style numbers. Also starting with 1958 they used a code letter on all VINs to show the model.

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### UPCOMING EVENTS IN OUR AREA

**August 26** - Warrensburg, MO. Second Annual Slamfest sponsored by the Twisted Addiction Truck and Car Club, Jo.Co. Fairgrounds, 114 NW 361, (4 Mi. W. of Warrensburg). Open to all mini trucks, imports and other custom vehicles. \$20. Registration 8:00 am to Noon. Awards at 5:00 pm. On-line magazine coverage provided by HotRidesMag.com and DropNDrag.com. Visit [midwestslamfest.com](http://midwestslamfest.com) for further details. Info: Shaun Wilson at 660-563-3852.

**August 26** - Independence, MO. 5th Annual Show & Shine sponsored by Cowtown T's. Historic Independence Square (Main & Lexington Ave.). Rain or shine, 8:30 am - 3:00 pm. Registration 8:30 am - 11:00 am. Dash plaques, door prizes, DJ by "The Candyman". 50/50 pot, raffles & games. Bob Bond Pin Striping and Graphics booth, FREE DRAWING for lap-top computer for entrants. Info: Gary Hotchkin at 816-230-7187.

**September 1, 2, & 3** - Kansas City, KS. Kansas Speedway. **Good Guys Rod & Custom Assn. Show** -  
Hours: Fri. 8am-5pm/ Sat, 8am-5pm/ Sun. 8am-3pm - They expect over 3,000 cars up to year 1972. Seminars, Vendor & Mfg. Exhibits, Cars for Sale Corral, Nightly Parties, Special Awards,  
Admission \$15 - General; \$12 Senior/ \$6 Kids (under 6 free), Free Parking.  
Info: 913-328-3300 or [kansasspeedway.com](http://kansasspeedway.com)

**September 23<sup>rd</sup> – Cruise with the BOPC to Warrensburg, MO**

**October 14, 2006 – Cadillac Club of Kansas City, First Annual Fall Driving Tour**

### A WORD

**W**ed. and Thurs. 8/9-10 GM sponsored a "Then and Now Tour" at Kemper Arena Parking Lot. The tour highlighted the 60th anniversary of GM's Fairfax plant. Robert and I attended the 2:30 pm tour, along with Craig Wood, and a co-worker, and the Chapmans from our Cadillac Club. GM provided sandwiches and drinks, and had 3-4 tents set up with individual exhibits in each one, and a narrated tour. It was interesting and enjoyable, even though it was 105 deg. out that day! I will have photos in my album for those interested who attend the meeting next Sunday.

## WORDS OF WISDOM FROM STEVEN WRIGHT

1. Eagles may soar, but weasels don't get sucked into jet engines. (Think about it)
2. My mechanic told me, "I couldn't repair your brakes, so I made your horn louder."
3. I intend to live forever; so far, so good.

**Happy birthday to:**

**Judy Nelson – August 14**

**Kurt Mayo – August 14**

**Upcoming Birthdays**

**Jerry Taylor – September 12**

**Fred Klafta – September 14**

**Zeny Klafta – September 14**

**Marsha Redman – September 14**

**Tom Keegan – September 14**

(Editor's note: What's with all the births on the 14<sup>th</sup>??) 😊

## Elected Officers for 2006-2007

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**CLUB HOTLINE**                      **Toll Free 1-877-467-1248**

### Drive Safely!

Judy K. Nelson, Editor

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The 2005 Grand National Convention is now on CD, and if you want a copy of it, below is the information.

Send this form to : Andy Flagge, Co-Chairman, 1202 26th Ave. N., Fort Dodge, IA 50501

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CADILLAC CLUB OF KC					
CLUB	DATE	EVENT	EVENT NAME	COMMENTS	PLACE
EVENT					
	<b>AUGUST</b>				
	8/26	CRUISE/SHOW	WARRENSBURG WHEELS CAR SHOW CRUISE SAT, SHOW SUN	ALAN 660-747-2285	WARRENSBURG, MO
		CAR SHOW	5TH ANN SHOW & SHINE HISTORIC INDEP SQUARE 8:30 - 3	GARY 816-230-7187	INDEPENDENCE, MO
	8/26	CRUISE	BELTON CRUISE - SOUTH 71 CRUISERS 5PM	4TH SAT	BELTON, MO
		CRUISE	LIBERTY SQUARE 5 - 8PM - LIBERTY SQUARE 524-PONY	LAST SAT	LIBERTY, MO
***	8/27	CLUB MEETING	DICK CLARK'S AMERICAN BANDSTAND 4PM	4TH SUN	OVERLAND PARK, KS
	<b>SEPTEMBER</b>				
	9/1 - 2	CAR SHOW	GOOD GUYS KANSAS SPEEDWAY	913-328-3300	KANSAS CITY, KS
	9/2	CRUISE	BLUE SPRINGS MAIN STREET CRUISE 5PM TILL DARK	1ST SAT	BLUE SPRINGS, MO
		CRUISE	CLASSIC CRUISERS - SONIC 909 N. WEBSTER	1ST SAT	SPRING HILL, KS
	9/9	CRUISE	FAIRLAWN PLAZA SHOPPING CTR- 21ST & FAIRLAWN 7PM	2ND SAT	TOPEKA, KS
***	9/15 & 16	BIG CRUISE	OLE MARAIS RIVER RUN CAR SHOW - 1100 CARS		OTTAWA, KS
	9/16	CRUISE	GOLDEN OLDIES WINSTEADS 103RD & METCALF	3RD SAT	OVERLAND PARK, KS
		CRUISE	FUDDRUCKERS 4400 S. NOLAND ROAD - OLDS CLUB	3RD SAT	INDEPENDENCE, MO
	9/19	CRUISE	RED ROBIN - EASTLAND CTR 40 HIWAY & 291 5 PM	1ST & 3RD TUES	INDEPENDENCE, MO
***	9/23	CRUISE/CAR SHOW	BOPC MULTI CAR CRUISE/CAR SHOW	KEITH GOOSEY	WARRENSBURG, MO
	9/23	CRUISE	BELTON CRUISE - SOUTH 71 CRUISERS 5PM	4TH SAT	BELTON, MO
	9/23	CAR SHOW	SANTE FE DAYS -TRAVELING THROUGH THE 21ST CENTURY	785-309-5776	SALINA, KS
***	9/24	CLUB MEETING	DICK CLARK'S AMERICAN BANDSTAND 4PM	4TH SUN	OVERLAND PARK, KS
	9/30	CRUISE	LIBERTY SQUARE 5 - 8PM - LIBERTY SQUARE 524-PONY	LAST SAT	LIBERTY, MO

<b>CADILLAC CLUB OF KC</b>					
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	<b>OCTOBER</b>				
	10/3 & 4	CAR SHOW	AUTOMOTIVE CAREER DAYS 2006 LONGVIEW COMM COLLEGE	8 AM - 1 PM	LEE'S SUMMIT, MO
	10/7	CRUISE	CLASSIC CRUISERS - SONIC 909 N. WEBSTER	1ST SAT	SPRING HILL, KS
		CRUISE	FAIRLAWN PLAZA SHOPPING CTR- 21ST & FAIRLAWN 7PM	2ND SAT	TOPEKA, KS
*****	10/14	DRIVING TOUR	ST JOSEPH, MISSOURI DRIVING TOUR & CRUISE		ST. JOSEPH, MO
***	10/22	CLUB MEETING	DICK CLARK'S AMERICAN BANDSTAND 4PM	4TH SUN	OVERLAND PARK, KS