

CADILLAC & LASALLE REGIONAL UPDATE

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Renewal of your National Cadillac & LaSalle Club Dues

Your copy of "*The Self-Starter*" magazine indicates the expiration date of your national Cadillac & LaSalle Club dues. On the outside wrapper, just above your name and address is the date of your dues expiration.

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Please remember . . .The success of our newsletter is dependent upon the contributions made by our members

Karen and Jim Pittman are the Editors of the monthly newsletter for the Iowa CrossRoads Region. Jim's email address is jim@pittmancpa.com.

DIRECTORS COLUMN

Karen and I had a great time once again at the Grand National this time in Columbus, OH. The Central Ohio Region did a great job. The weather was wonderful, the temps were mild and only a short shower one evening. The hotel accommodations were excellent. We both went on most of the tours and they all were very interesting and unique. As always we re-connected with Cadillac friends and made more new ones. The attendance was over 800 and the show cars numbered over 250. It was an outstanding collection of rare and prestigious cars. I'm sorry you were not able to attend but there is always next year. **Mark you calendars now for 2012 GN in St. Augustine, Florida, June 13 thru 17.**

As always, I attended the museum board meeting as well as the national board meeting. The pledges and donations continue to come in, and the executive committee will be contacting those that they have identified as major contributors soon. The design is still being tweaked. One of the main events of the GN was the auction of the 1996 DeVille that had been given to the museum, with the proceeds going to the museum building project. It brought \$9,600 and the silent auction brought in another \$400; raising approximately a total of \$10,000 for the museum.

See you in Prairie de Chen on the 16th and 17th. Be sure to wear your name tags and maybe we can plan to wear our club shirts on Saturday. We are looking forward to a scenic Iowa drive as we plan to take the "somewhat back roads".

Also, please mark October 15 on your calendars for our October outing to the Amanas.



The Air Force Museum, one of the tours we went on has one hangar that the Presidential planes from Franklin D. Roosevelt to John F. Kennedy are displayed. This plane is the one that flew the body of President Kennedy back home from Dallas.

MEMBERS IN THE NEWS

Birthdays

Karen Repp 09-19-54

Anniversaries

Lyle & Lori Dahl 09-11-71

New Member

None this month

ATTENTION!!!!!! HAVE YOU DONE THIS????

Send us the date of your birthday (spouse included) and anniversary so that we may include it in the newsletter. In addition, please send us your email. Please send this information to jim@pittmancpa.com or call 515-276-2727.

Send us your profile (spouse, also). A form is attached with the newsletter. You cannot complete the form online. You must print it out, complete and mail to Jim at Pittman & Company, LLP, 8525 Douglas Ave. Suite 40, Des Moines, IA 50322.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR 2011

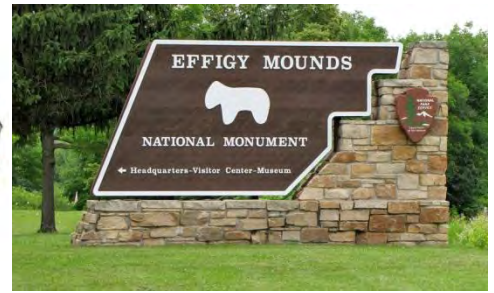
September: Travel to Prairie du Chien, Wisconsin on the weekend of September 16th and 17th for a *Fall Villa Gathering* with the Minnesota, Wisconsin and Illinois CLC regions. Also included will be scheduled Iowa Crossroads stops at the *Bily Clock Museum* in nearby Spillville, Iowa and the *Little Brown Church* in Nashua, Iowa. The Badgerland Chapter CLC as well as the North Star Chapter CLC have officially made this their Chapter Event for the Month of September. Search the Northstar Chapter CLC on line newsletter. You can read the details there. They will be inviting a few area car clubs as well! The Villa people want to make this an annual event held the same weekend every year! I sure hope it will continue to make this an annual get together for all CLC Chapters as well as the local car clubs!

October 15: Continue our annual fall tradition of enjoying the autumn colors in the beautifully quaint *Amana Colonies*. This year, lunch will be served at the *Colony Inn Restaurant* in Amana.

November: Stay locally as we head to the *Hessen House German Restaurant* in Des Moines for lunch. Following lunch, we will walk across the street to tour the *Science Center of Iowa and Blank IMAX Dome Theater*. This will be a 4-5 hour event.

December: Save your appetite for our annual Christmas Dinner get-together at *Christopher's Restaurant*, 2816 Beaver Ave., Des Moines, Iowa. This will be a 2-3 hour event.

JOIN US FOR A 4-CLC CHAPTER WEEKEND TOURING EVENT IN BEAUTIFUL PRAIRIE DU CHIEN, WISCONSIN!



Villa Event: The Iowa Crossroads CLC will be cruisin' up to Prairie du Chien, Wisconsin on Friday, September 16, 2011 to join the Minnesota, Wisconsin, and Illinois CLCs in what may become an annual Fall Villa Event. The weekend event and car show will be held on the grounds of the Villa Louis Mansion in Prairie du Chien. Hotel accommodations with special car show rates are being arranged at the Bridgeport Inn (608-326-6082) and possibly Windsor Place (608-326-7799) in Prairie du Chien for Friday and Saturday nights (9/16 and 9/17), so make your reservations ASAP.

The Drive: Interested club members will depart from Earl May's (1509 N. Ankeny Blvd.) in Ankeny at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, September 16th. Sites along the way will include the *Little Brown Church in the Vale* in Nashua and the *Bily Clocks Museum* in Spillville. Road directions or maps will be provided. Our club will also cruise to the Effigy Mounds National Monument (across the river from Prairie du Chien) sometime during our stay. We will depart for home on Sunday, September 18th.

Questions/R.S.V.P.: Please call Steve Fox at (515) 491-2624.

IOWA CROSSROADS CLC AUGUST EVENT

August 27th. 2011 our club went to Dean Bibler's in Granger. The Oldsmobile Club of Iowa and the Buick Club of Iowa were also in attendance.

Jim and Karen Pittman, Lyle and Lori Dahl, Bill and Nora Schlenker represented the CLC Des Moines Region. One guest Bob Jones and one new member Paul and Linda Wold rounded out our group.

The food was plentiful and so good and we connected with old and new friends from the other clubs.

Dean Bibler gave a talk and demonstration on the products he sells to keep your car looking show room ready.

Our next tour will be to Prairie Du Chien, WI. Sept. 16 and 17. Hope to see you there.



Getting to Know You

Name _____

Birth Place _____

Places you have lived _____

Schools Attended _____

Favorite Color _____ Favorite Movie _____

Favorite Song _____ Favorite Food _____

Favorite Famous Person _____

Favorite Vacation Spot _____

Family _____

What you wanted to be when you were little _____

Words to live by _____

OH THOSE CARS

First Car You Owned _____

Favorite Car When you Where a Teenager _____

Favorite Car Today _____

Favorite Car you have Owned _____

Car You Wished You Could have had _____

Number Of Cadillac/LaSalle have you owned _____

Your Daily Driver _____

Fall Villa Gathering, Sept. 16 and
Sept. 17th, 2011.

The following motels have been
lined up.

REMINDER: This is the start of
the Fall Season and this is a busy
time for the area motels! So
encourage participants to make
their reservations way far in
advance, they can always cancel!

HOST HOTEL

Bridgeport Inn \$109-\$119 per
nigh
608-326-6082

Windsor Place Inn
\$110
www.windsorplaceinnpdc.com
608-326-7799

Super 8 Prairie du Chien
\$100
608-326-2935

The Villa Louis will be serving a
free lunch to the driver and guest
on Saturday. Supper will be on
your own.

Places of interest:

Prairie du Chien Fort Crawford
Museum

Smallest US National Cemetery
located in Prairie du Chien

Pikes Peak Park in McGregor
Iowa

Possible tour of one or two of the
Thornburg- DeVries Funeral
Homes

More announcements at later
dates as things are added.

Let's make this an Annual Event
for all of us for years to come!