

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

Here it is November, only two meetings left and 2011 will be history. Some of you have made most of the meetings and others have not attended any of the meetings. **We sure miss you.** Maybe you are asking why I should attend; it is just another monthly meeting? Here are several reasons, in the form of questions and comments about our year that I think are noteworthy.

You missed seeing a 24,000 square foot museum filled antique dolls, toy trucks, and model trains running through tunnels and around man made mountains. You missed eating at the Tuscan Moon Grill in Kalona (and a uniquely decorated cake). The Kalona Historical Village in Kalona. Maybe it was the massive car collection of V.J. Dahl in a joint meeting with the Olds Club. You could have displayed your car at the Scandinavian Days celebration in Story City. How about the ice cream social at the Olmstead House or the Matthew Edel Blacksmith Shop in Haverhill which is exactly like it was when it was closed in 1939 or just as exciting as the Haverhill Social Club with all the beer signs and an interesting men's restroom. How many Presidential airplanes have you seen? Had you attended the Grand National in August you could have seen them all from Franklin D. Roosevelt (the first one) all the way up the line to the plane that transported JFK's body back from that horrible day in Dallas. If you did not join us in September for the Prairie du Chien, Wisconsin outing you missed a combined 4 region get together. In addition you missed the Little Brown Church in the Vale at Nashua and the Bily Clock Museum in Spillville. Our drive to the Amana this year was on a beautiful October day. In conclusion, if you miss the November outing to the Science Center of Iowa (with lunch at a great German restaurant and dessert at our house) and then our Christmas party at Christopher's Restaurant you will not have enjoyed your club to the fullest.

Our activity director, Steve Fox, spends a lot of time and does an excellent job in planning the activities. Steve puts out a calendar of events for the whole year and gets the dates affirmed as soon as possible so we have ample time to get it on our calendars. We appreciate what Steve does. I might also remind you to RSVP to Steve each month especially if you are going to attend so he can make accurate reservations. I think that is the least we can do for Steve. Let's respect those individuals who spend time to make this one of the best regions in CLC.

In closing, I hope if you have been unable to attend in the past, that next year you will be able to arrange your schedule so you can have time to enjoy your club. We look forward to seeing you soon.

See you on the boulevard,

Jim

Money can't buy happiness—but somehow it's more comfortable to cry in a Cadillac than in a Yugo.

MEMBERS IN THE NEWS

Birthdays

Bill Schlenker 11-2

Ron Colling 11-9

Anniversaries

Dean & Vicki Stoltenberg 11-5
Happy 50th Anniversary

Bob & Rachel Holst 11-8

New Member

Paul & Linda Wold
1977 Seville

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

November 12: 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, followed by dessert at the Pittman's.*

December 3: 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.

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IOWA CROSSROADS CLC NOVEMBER EVENT

Lunch: On Saturday, **November 12, 2011**, the Iowa Crossroads CLC will be cruising to the Hessen Haus Restaurant in Des Moines (101 4th Street), just one block NE of the Science Center of Iowa for an authentic German meal. We will have a short meeting at the Hessen Haus starting at 11 a.m., followed by a great lunch. Interested club members should plan to meet at the restaurant.

Science Center: After lunch, the club will venture across the street to tour the Science Center of Iowa (401 W. MLK Parkway). General admission is charged for the Science Center, plus additional admission is required for the special display event and IMAX theater. Discounts are available for seniors and groups of 10 or more. Visit their website for more info at: www.sciowa.org.

Questions/RSVP: So I may be able to arrange a group discount, please R.S.V.P. by **November 6th** to Steve Fox at (515) 491-2624.

ATTENTION PLEASE!!! When you finish touring the Science Center you are invited to enjoy Harvest Time Desserts and drinks at the home of Karen and Jim Pittman.

IOWA CROSSROADS CLC OCTOBER EVENT



Members of the Iowa CrossRoads region enjoyed a picturesque cruise to the Amana Colonies on October 15. It was one of the beautiful fall days that we have enjoyed in Iowa this year. The farmers were busy harvesting their bountiful crops that they had raised. It certainly makes you realize what a huge part the Midwest plays in “feeding the world”.

After we arrived at the colonies we met at the Colony Inn for lunch and enjoyed the delicious food that they are noted for. Director, Jim Pittman conducted a short meeting and gave the treasury report in the absence of treasurer, David Twombly. Following the meeting everybody enjoyed shopping and browsing in the many unique shops, then departed for another beautiful drive home.

