

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

DIRECTORS COLUMN

September 2010

WOW!!! September is already here. Where did spring and summer go----perhaps “downstream”? Have you ever seen so much rain? I guess, not since 1993—at least that is what the records show. For those of us that live in the Midwest, we will be putting our cars away in about two months. Bah Hum Bug.

Having said all that, our region has had some great activities so far this year. Now, we have another opportunity to enjoy many great cars at the upcoming Salisbury Concourse D'Elegance on September 12th. **There will be a free shuttle service located at Des Moines University at 3200 Grand Ave.** It will be available from 11:00AM to 5:00 PM. **This is the club activity for September so please plan to join all the car enthusiast in admiring over 120 beautiful cars. We plan to meet as a group and have lunch together between 11:30 and 12:00.**

On the national level, after four great years of leadership, president, Glenn Brown passed the baton to Lars Kneller. I am sure Lars will continue to guide the club forward in a positive direction and we will continue to see many good things take place.

I am looking forward to seeing all of you at the Salisbury House and Gardens Sunday, September 12th. Be sure to bring your camera as there will be many rare cars that I am sure you will want to photograph.

See you on the highway and byways,

Jim



1931 V16 Sport Phaeton by Cadillac Communications-100 Renaissance Center-Detroit, MI.

MEMBERS IN THE NEWS

Ill and Recovering

DeWayne Repp, Bill Schlenker and Lyle Dahl continue to receive therapy and treatments for their health problems.



Birthdays

Karen Repp 09-19

Anniversaries

Lyle and Lori Dahl 09-11-71

HAVE YOU DONE THIS????

1. 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.
2. Send us your profile (spouses, 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.

Shirts and Name Tags

We have received the shirts and name tags that we ordered. We will have them with us at the Salisbury event. Come by and pick yours up.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR 2010

October 16-Change of plans. We will be going to the Amanas-Details to follow.

November-Iowa Gold Star Military Museum at Camp Dodge in Johnston—Dinner at Ranallo's in Ankeny

December- Christmas Dinner at Iowa Beef Steak House

JOIN US FOR THE CONCOURS
D'ELEGANCE
AT SALISBURY HOUSE & GARDENS!



IOWA CROSSROADS CLC SEPTEMBER EVENT

Salisbury Automobile Classic: The Iowa Crossroads CLC will be participating at the Concours D'Elegance Salisbury Automobile Classic at Salisbury House and Gardens located at 4025 Tonawanda Drive in Des Moines from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday, September 12, 2010. Admission for this fine event is \$15 for adults, \$5 for students (ages 13 through college) and free for children (ages 12 and under). There will be plenty of fine automobiles on display including Duesenbergs, Auburns, Cords, Packards, Lincolns, and (of course) Cadillacs and LaSalles to enjoy. This year's theme is "Automobiles of the Frank Lloyd Wright Era", as we honor "Art and Design" in Iowa. No need to R.S.V.P. for this event, we will just plan on seeing you there at this fine occasion.

Questions: Should be directed to Steve Fox at (515) 491-2624.

Brucemore Mansion and Duffy's **By Nora Schlenker**

It was a gloomy day to start out, overcast and foggy. We met at McDonalds at Adventureland in Altoona to caravan to Cedar Rapids. Schlenker's car died at McDonalds but with Jim and Steve's help they pushed it and Bill "popped" the clutch to get it started and away we went. You can't do that with an automatic. It started fine the rest of the day.

There were 10 CLC members to tour the Brucemore Mansion in Cedar Rapids. A really impressive house. It was built in 1884 on a ten acre site for the tidy sum of \$55,000.00. Quite a bit of money at that time.

The 21 room mansion includes a great hall, grand staircase (it reaches 3 stories), eight bathrooms, nine bedrooms and 14 fireplaces. Also on the main floor there is a pipe organ. The pipes are on the 3rd. floor. They do play the organ on special occasions. A surprise awaited us in the basement. Hawaiian themed family room and a "man cave" bar complete with a roulette table. People knew how to live large in those days.

Sinclair, Douglas and Hall families' occupied the house from 1884 to 1981. They had servants, day help and nannies employed. Today a gardener still works there. In 1981 Margaret Hall died at the age of 84. She bequeathed the mansion to the National Trust for Historic Preservation for use as a historic site and community center.

The house now sits on 33 acres of ground with many flower gardens and ponds. This is a must see site if you travel in or through Cedar Rapids.

After the tour we had lunch at the Butterfly Cafe and dined with our tour guide from the mansion. We then went to Duffy's and enjoyed a walk through his garage to see all the cars. Many muscle cars and all for sale.

Thanks to Steve Fox for this wonderful tour.





We are a happy bunch



Richard Bell's Car



Duffy's Sign

Photos by Steve Fox.

Getting to Know You

Name: Earl Lawrence Schoolen

Birth Place: Lovilia, IA.

Places you have lived: Albia, Ames, Ankeny, Des Moines and Venice Florida

Schools attended: Albia High School 1950-53, Iowa State University

Favorite Color: Black Favorite Movie: It's a Mad Mad World.

Favorite Song: None

Favorite Food: Morel Mushrooms

Favorite Famous Person: President Ronald Reagan

Favorite Vacation Spot: Costa Rica

Family: Two sons, one daughter and 4 grandchildren

What you wanted to be when you were little: Pilot

Words to live by: On earth Gods work, must truly be our own

OH THOSE CAR

First Car You Owned: 1940 Chevrolet 2 door Coupe

Favorite Car When You Were a Teenager: 1947 Frazier

Favorite Car Today: Has not been made

Favorite Car You Have Owned: 1960 Cadillac convertible

Car You Wished You Could Have Owned: 1960 Cadillac Biarritz Convertible

Number of Cadillac/LaSalle you have owned: 13

Your Daily Driver: Chevy Blazer

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 _____