# **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.

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

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

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#### **DIRECTORS COLUMM**

April 2010

Spring at last, spring at last; Thank God it is spring at last. We all knew it would come but it just didn't seem like it was coming fast enough after the winter we just experienced.

Now the cars are starting to come out of storage and spring clean-up is the first item on the agenda, to get that paint and chrome all shiny again. There will be a lot of time for evening and weekend cruising. As this takes place I am sure some of our thoughts will turn back to the era of the car we are driving and perhaps to some of the cars we have owned throughout the years. Below is a picture of club member Jim Galinsky and son Scott with one of his favorite Cadillac's. I'm sure Jim has many fond memories of this fine automobile. Thank you for sharing this with us, Jim.



Crusin' in my Caddy,

Jim

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#### AMERICAN DREAM MACHINES

#### Karen Pittman

Saturday, March 27, our club enjoyed a drive downtown (with NO snow on the ground, I might add) to tour the classic car dealership of Doug Klein. The dealership is not open for business on Saturday, but Mr. Klein graciously opened it up for us to browse through at our leisure.

At any given time he has approximately 70 cars for sale. He stated that a large portion of his cars are sold to people overseas. He has a large group of employees that do mechanical, paint and body work, and the refurbishing of the interiors. He said, "I like to buy good cars and make them better cars". Although his inventory didn't include any Cadillacs or LaSalles he had a nice variety of brands and models as well as a couple of Harleys.

After everyone decided what their favorite one was (I said I would take all the red ones and the two yellow (Jim got me out of there fast) we headed to Skips for lunch. Although, several could not stay for lunch, those of us that did enjoyed it very much.









Pictures by Steve Fox.

#### IOWA CROSSROADS CLC APRIL TOURING EVENT & LUNCHEON

Saturday, April 17, 2010 we will tour *Snus Hill Winery, in Madrid*, and have lunch at *Corn Crib Catering*. Wine tasting and shopping will be available after the tour. The luncheon will consist of homemade chicken salad (served in a sandwich), potato and bacon soup, pumpkin bars and a beverage. The cost for the luncheon is about \$12 per person, which includes tax and tip.

If you plan to drive your classic car to this event, please note that a total of 3 miles (round trip, between the paved highway to the winery, then east to the caterer, then back again to the paved highway) is gravel.

Those planning to attend will meet at the Earl May Garden Center located at 1509 N. Ankeny Boulevard in Ankeny, Iowa at 10:15 a.m. for the cruise up to the winery.

R.S.V.P. Interested members must respond with their intent to attend by Monday, April 5, 2010. Questions: Call Steve Fox at 515-491-2624 or 515-965-1233.

# **CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR 2010**

April 17-April-Snus Hill Winery, Madrid, IA -Tour winery and wine tasting followed by lunch/dinner at Corn Crib Catering, located next to the Winery.

May 15 or 22-May-Cruise to the Herbert Hoover National Historic Site. Lunch at one of West Branch's historic restaurants.

June 27- Ice Cream Social at the Olmsted House

July- Cruise to see the Matthew Edel Blacksmith Shop, the Watson's Grocery Store Museum and the State Center Rose Garden.

August-Duffy's Car Collection and Brucemore Estate.

September-11<sup>th</sup> Annual Salisbury Concours Auto Show

October 16-Go to LeClaire, IA for a two-day overnight weekend cruise to see the fall colors.

**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

More dates and many more details to follow throughout the year.

Just a reminder the Grand National is in Kansas City, July 13-17. This is probably the closest it will be to us for a few years so it would be a great opportunity to attend.

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## **MEMBERS IN THE NEWS**



# **Birthdays**

Jim Galinsky 04-04 David Twombley 04-11 Karen Pittman 04-23 Nora Schlenker 04-27

# **Anniversaries**

Karen and DeWayne Repp 04-07

#### **NEW MEMBERS**

Jason McNertney (Michelle Silzer) 2519 Patricia Drive Urbandalie, Ia. 50322 '49 Series 61 4 door

#### HAVE YOU DONE THIS????

- 1. Sent 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 <a href="mailto:jim@pittmancpa.com">jim@pittmancpa.com</a> or call 515-276-2727.
- 2. Sent 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.

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### **Getting to Know You**

Name: G. W. Bill Schlenker

**Birth Place: Des Moines, IA** 

Places you have lived: Des Moines, Waterloo, Lincoln and Ankeny, IA.

Schools attended: Des Moines-Cattel, Waterloo- Irving, Longfellow, Loral, Sloan,

Wallace, and West High- Iowa State University 4 years

Favorite Color: Blue & Brown Favorite Movie: Dances with Wolves

**Favorite Song: Danny Boy** 

Favorite Food: Green beans, Yams and good home cooking

**Favorite Famous Person: Harry Truman** 

Favorite Vacation Spot: Portal Lake, Ont. & Horse Back in Wilderness

Family: Wife-Nora, Sons-Mark, Todd, Daughter-Jodi; Step children- Larry, Gail, Steve,

**Sharon and Rick** 

What you wanted to be when you were little: Farmer

Words to live by: "Do your best and accept that you can be replaced

#### OH THOSE CAR

First Car You Owned: 1947 Hudson, What a Clunk

Favorite Car When You Were A Teenager: 1951 Ford

Favorite Car Today: 1938 LaSalle Convertible

Favorite Car You Have Owned: 1956 Chevrolet 2 door

Car You Wished You Could Have Owned: 1947 Packard

Number of Cadillac/LaSalle you have owned: 1938 LaSalle

Your Daily Driver: 1996 Chevrolet Caprice

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# Getting to Know You

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| Birth Place                   |                |
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| Schools Attended              |                |
| Favorite Color                | Favorite Movie |
| Favorite Song                 | Favorite Food  |
| Favorite Famous Person        |                |
| Favorite Vacation Spot        |                |
| Family                        |                |
| What you wanted to be when yo | ou were little |
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| First Car You Owned           |                |
| Favorite Car When you Where   | a Teenager     |
| Favorite Car Today            |                |
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| Your Daily Driver             |                |