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Elections 2006

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Thanks to a record Election-Night Turnout, we not only had a productive business meeting but a successful election of Region Officers for 2006. Veteran AACA Award Winner Marshall England, owner of two LaSalles and some other excellent cars replaced Jeff Malo as Treasurer, and the issue of no Region Secretary was tabled until the March meeting. At this time, it will be decided whether or not to mothball the position. As Region Director, I would welcome any help from a potential Secretary to take the minutes of the monthly meeting and perhaps even contribute in the Newsletter arena. These jobs would take some of the burden off of me.

Meeting Night Changes – Again!

The night of the monthly meeting was changed to accommodate VP Mike Daly's new work schedule, but the 1st Thursday of the month is also the monthly meeting of the regional AACA meeting. Therefore, starting in March, the monthly business meeting will be held on the **SECOND THURSDAY** of every month. This matter was brought to our attention by our new Treasurer and long-time region member Mert Fowlkes. Sorry for any inconvenience or confusion, but we hope to finally get everyone who can and wants to make the monthly meeting *at the meeting!* Hope to see more of you soon!

Wanted – Our Magnetic Signs!

We are missing a set of our custom-made Parade Signs that Steve Tuck had made for us and a few individual members bankrolled and donated to the Club a few years ago. The last time both sets were accounted for was in the Fall of 2004. Right now, Ron Threadgill has one set and the other set, which I entrusted to someone during a move and a subsequent car show which I didn't think I would be able to attend, have gone up in smoke. PLEASE – if you think you have them, or if you've already looked – LOOK AGAIN!

We're still looking for that Newsletter Editor...

I'm not letting up on this point. We need someone to lay out and contribute as well as field submissions from the membership. See the blurb on a following page with regard to the ease of use. We are starting with this issue following in the shadow of our Potomac Region brethren and putting the newsletter out in PDF format from now on, making your life a little simpler and our ability to put the newsletter out easier and much more affordable. Of course, issues will still be mailed to members with no computer access. A copy of Adobe Acrobat and any other relevant software one may need will be provided to anyone who wants to undertake the newsletter.

Please Help Your Region!



Paradise Parts Resolution!

It was resolved among 5 out of 7 present Paradise Parts investors after last meeting to distribute the current profits of the Paradise Parts cache among the original investors.

As a result, the remaining parts are slated to be donated to the Club instead of provisionally owned by the original investors. This vote will take place provided a similar quorum or greater of investors are present at the February meeting.

Our hopes are two-fold: first, we want to encourage ALL our members to participate in the cleaning and sales of the remaining parts cache which will also hopefully soon bring our inventory down to a manageable level. Right now we are at the outside of acceptable 'mooching' off two of our members in terms of storage space – an issue which needs to be resolved very quickly.

Secondly, we want to create further incentive among our members to sell these items. Not only will you be raising money for the Region, but you will be allowed a percentage of the net proceeds. This percentage also will be voted on at the next meeting.

To the current Paradise Investors – you need to visit Jeff Malo and pick up your cheques. Contributions in part or in whole back to the Club are welcome, or enjoy the return on your investment. Since the original intent of this cache was to benefit the Club, we hope that you'll consider that as an option. Jeff can be reached on 804-272-0579 or e-mail at silentknightrecords@att.net

Supporting a Valuable Local Organization

The Central Virginia Region of the Cadillac-LaSalle Club is proud to support the Car Club Council of Central VA for another year. The CCCCVA, which has a very valuable resource of a website at <http://www.carclubcouncil.com/> also works for the Collector Car Hobby as a whole within the state of Virginia. Some of you will remember an e-mail I sent out a few weeks ago about House Bill 288, limiting the use of vehicles with antique registrations within 50 miles of their garage instead of the mandated 250. Director Fred Fann investigated this, set up a mailing campaign to the House of Delegates member pushing H.B.288 and *succeeded in getting it reversed*. Between this move and the value we get from their referrals, we applaud his efforts and support for 2006 and beyond.

We would like to ask one of our members to volunteer to sit in on Car Club Council meetings as the CVA-CLC representative. Talk to one of our officers for details.

Toeing the National Line

I had a discussion with Eastern Region Vice President Lee Herbermann the other evening, as he needed some information about our Region to take to the National Board Meeting. Lee raised a valid point of National regulations which I wanted to share with you, since we have overlooked it in the past.

Spouses or significant others, regardless of their sex, while recognized and welcomed to participate with their full CLC member partner, are not accorded voting rights in the National Club. Since a National membership is required of Regional Members, it must be that only National Members will heretofore be allowed to vote in Regional affairs taken up for vote. I took a tally of recent Regional Elections and found that one spouse cancelled the other out in all votes which had two candidates, so nothing needs to be reviewed.

While spouses et.al are welcome to volunteer and participate fully in all activities in our Club, should they wish to hold office or vote, they will have to be full members.

Newsletter Editor Position STILL OPEN to Members

New Graphics and Layout Available From a Pro!
One of our members has offered his services to put out a far better newsletter than the one you see here. Prior to printing, your materials can go to him...

What's fair game?
This is a Newsletter for a Region of the Cadillac-LaSalle Club. We represent not only ourselves, but our entire National Organization. There's room for creativity, but it needs to be on point per the National Club's guidelines in your directory.

OK! I'm up to the task!
Since very few newsletters have to be printed normally, PDF distribution of the newsletter is very simple and straightforward with few exceptions.

Events!

Thursday, February 2
Monthly Membership Meeting

Super King Buffet
8087 W Broad St, Richmond
(just east of Parham Rd)
Dinner 6:30 – Meeting 7:30PM

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Thursday, March 9 (NOTE
SECOND THURSDAY CHANGE)
Monthly Membership Meeting

Olive Garden Restaurant
West of Glenside Ave on West
Broad Street.

For information on other area
events, visit
<http://www.carclubcouncil.com/>

Don't forget to check our
website as it comes up to date
again and does so regularly:
<http://www.wmsbrg.com/cadillac/Richmond/>

Constitutional Committee Volunteers Needed!

Recent events have made it painfully clear how necessary a comprehensive document is to settling disputes and preventing our members from endangering the welfare of our Club's charter from the National CLC. The rules and disciplines of our great nation changed a few times before they got it right, starting with the Articles of Confederation, and developing into our Constitution.

Since it took the Founding Fathers six whole years to make this a reality, we have come to this point in only little more than three!

Our Eastern Regional V.P. Lee Herbermann is eager to know what we come up with, so I open this up to our membership. The most recent By-Laws date from 2004 and a mild revision in 2005, but do not accurately reflect the positions or the structure of our Club standing as an entity and not reliant on any one of us whether officers or regular members in making its identity. The legal presence of our Club has effectively not existed until January, 2006, when a Business License and Federal I.D. were obtained, and Non-Profit status is still being ironed out with the Federal Government. When all of this is in place, it will stand regardless of who runs certain offices of this Region with minimal transition difficulty between past and future officers.

While this will be brought up at the February meeting, if you have any legal or organizational experience you would like to share, please talk to one of our officers!

Literati, Awake!

*From Our Submissions
Department*

I hope you took me seriously when I solicited help not only in laying out the newsletter but in getting materials together so that every issue is more interesting for us to read. The alternative is more content such as this and more stress on the newsletter editor who is forced to ad lib or postpone bi-monthly issues of our newsletter.

Whether technical, detailing-oriented, road-trip diary or something similar in content, we heartily welcome it and will publish it in its entirety!

Also as solicited in the last issue, we could use some more Technical guides for our website, maintained by VP Mike Daly.

Finally, as brought up in the last issue, ideas are welcome for meeting plans during which informative sessions led by one of our resident experts could cover things such as Flathead engine rebuilding and troubleshooting (ahem). Maybe convertible top operation and repair, or perhaps the power of good sense when going out on the road in search of a misrepresented classic?

Let us know how YOU would like to help your Region and get us through the doldrums of winter!

The 2006 Officers of the Region:

President/Region Director – Chip Lamb – 804-357-4926
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Newsletter Editor – YOU? Come on now!

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