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Tailfin

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Brad Ipsen's 40 s as seen in the 2013 Northern CA. CLC driving tour. Brad drove from Washington State.



1940

**Cadillac 60 Special
Base Cost \$ 2090.00
Number made 3703**

The **Sixty Special** name has been used at [Cadillac](#) to denote a special model since the 1938 Harley Earl-Bill Mitchell-designed [Series 60](#) derivative. Although the 1938 model began in Cadillac's lowest price range, as a LaSalle, soon the Sixty Special name would be synonymous for some of Cadillac's most luxurious vehicles.

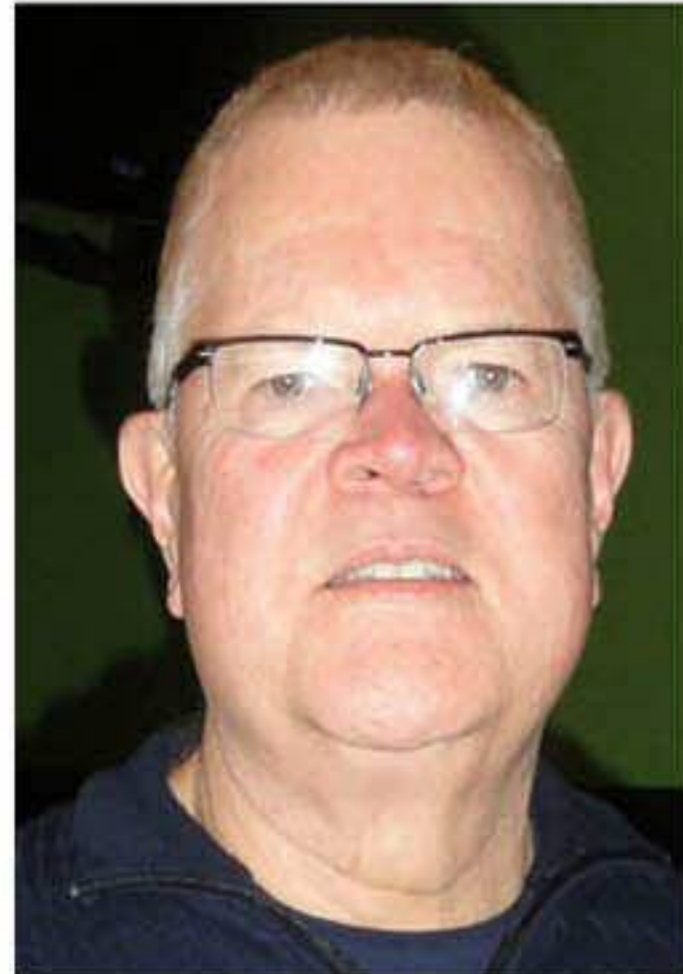
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By: Warner Young

For the first time in many years (12, I believe), you have a new name reporting as Director. I have big shoes to fill, but I'm ready to give it a shot. As you now know, we have some new names on the Board and I believe 2015 will be a good year for the club.

A little background: I joined the club in December, 2012. That is shortly after I purchased a 1940 LaSalle 5219. This was not a car that I had desired for many years, but a car that I believed I just had to have once I saw it in Hemmings. The car was in Honesdale, Pa. The car was shipped from the factory February 29, 1940 (yep it's a leap day car) to Don Lee Cadillac in San Francisco. I don't know much about the car until it appeared in Pennsylvania in the early '90's. I've been very happy with the car and I had the seats reupholstered last Fall.

My stable of cars is somewhat smaller than many members, but my enjoyment of Cadillac's and things Cadillac should hold me in good stead.



I am hoping to add new activities for all club members to enjoy. This is no doubt the most difficult assignment for the Board. Of course we have several annual functions that are great events, such as the June meet with the Buick, Olds, Pontiac clubs, the Grand National meet and the Fall meet at Hickory Corners , Michigan, in September, but adding more local events can only add to the enjoyment that comes from the club. The Board is always looking for suggestions for one-day events or even overnight events to add to our calendar. You are always welcome to send suggestions to me via phone or e-mail (warneryoung@msn.com), or to any Board member. I think it is possible that doing joint events with other clubs could expand our calendar. I have started working on that possibility already. Don't be afraid to ask the Wife about suggestions for more than just car things to see. The club is for the entire family to enjoy.

You are always encouraged to send articles in for our newsletter the Tailfin. Our editor this year is Bob Edrington (kb9hgm1@juno.com). Technical articles or just an update on your pride and joy would be appreciated. The newsletter is a letter from everyone, not just the Board or Bob Edrington.

As an FYI, the long-standing fall meet, the Hoosier Swap meet has been cancelled. Apparently after a run of many years, attendance had fallen to the point that it was no longer practical to hold the meet.

Now that spring is within our sites, we can think about driving our Caddy's again. That is certainly a good thought to use as my sign off.

Possible Events for 2015

March Ropeky Tank Collection (possible)

April Greenwood Neon guy

May 9 AACA Spring at Auburn

June 6 27th Annual B-O-P-CLC Show in Kokomo

June 24-27 CLC Grand National Brookfield, WI

July Indianapolis Museum of Art Dream Cars and cookout at Taylors

August 11-15 CLC National Driving Tour, Detroit MI

September 26-27 Cadillac Fall Festival

October Southern Indiana Overnight

November



Binkley's



Good Food!

One of the really nice perks of attending the club meetings and participating in driving tours is learning where the best places to eat are! Jeff did an outstanding job finding great places to eat in Northern Indiana for the driving tour last summer. Our personal favorite was Nick's Kitchen in Huntington. They have been in business since 1876, and they make their humongous pork tenderloins from scratch (not frozen patties). In our humble opinion, they are the best we have ever had. Thanks, Jeff, for that culinary experience.

The January lunch at Binkleys for our planning meeting was a close second for tenderloins. Very good, but Nick's was better. It's probably a good thing the club does not meet more often. B&J

Barn Update

Lars Kneller

The New Year is off to a great start. Our Region had a good meeting on January 10 in Indianapolis. My wife and I now have 2 daughters in Indy, and as of this August all three will be there, so we now have many reasons to make the trip. We drove down the night before and had dinner with them. The weather wasn't all that great here in the northwest part of the state with blowing and drifting snow. Thus I decided to drive the 2012 F150 (NC) due to its sheer size and all wheel drive. The trip went uneventfully. We arrived at Greg Smith equipment at 10am and were greeted by Greg himself. He described his store to me via email as a "car guy's candy store" and he was correct! He sells just about everything one needs to work on old and new cars, and then some. He demonstrated several of the lifts for us, and I think I have picked out the new that will make its home in my barn sometime this year.

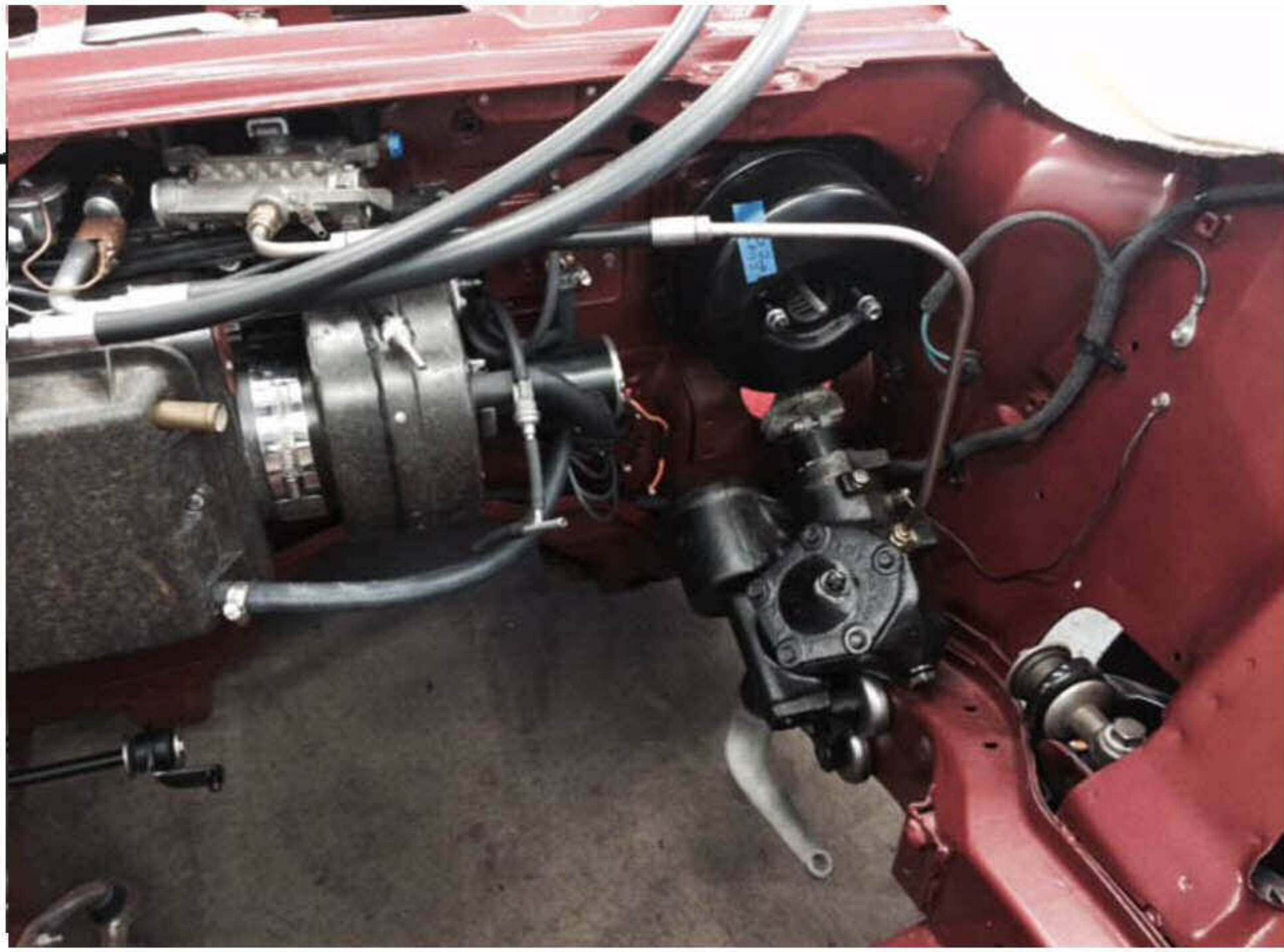
After looking at all he had to offer, we convened at Binkley's for lunch. I counted 19 attending, which I thought was a good turnout for the dead of winter. Our region members rose to the occasion, and we now have new officers, and Jeff is officially retired! Congratulations to **Warner Young, Director; Bill Reedy, Deputy Director; Barry Wheeler, Treasurer; Bob Edrington, Editor, Hoosier Tailfin;** and yours truly as **Board Member at Large**. We developed a tentative schedule for this year's events, which will be outlined elsewhere. Lunch was delicious too, as it always is when Jeff picks the restaurant. The drive back to La Porte was much lower stress, with only one snowy patch on a curve to traverse slowly. The young lady in the car in front of us did not, and was able to spend some quality time in a farmer's field as a result.

Barn time since the last Tailfin has been both high quality and quantity. I had my carpal tunnel surgery on 11/25. I only had to miss 2 days of work with the Thanksgiving holiday. I wasn't at my usual pace at work the following week, but was good to go after that. I got a lot done in the barn basically one handed (left nondominant hand to boot), and a little of Jaunda's help. I removed the fender spears from the driver's side of the **1941 Cadillac** and sent them off to be rechromed. It is a pricey job, so I decided to do half this winter and the other half next winter. I also removed its radio and plan some time with region member **Joe Stulga** to get it working, before spring. Just after New Year's I delivered the **1972 Eldorado Coupe** to the new body shop to get its paint done correctly once and for all. I am hopeful it and Josh will be at this summer's Grand National.

Most of my time has been working on the **1963 Lincoln (NC)**. The engine is all painted and 95% put together, and does look very nice, if I say so myself. I left a few parts off of it that will be easier to install once it's nestled in its cozy engine compartment. I plan to hook up the transmission to it prior to installation. When I describe the engine compartment as cozy, I mean not only nice and warm, but also limited in space. All of the HVAC components are much easier to install with the engine out, so they are all in place now. I've also installed most of the steering gear and several components that attach to the fender wells. I ordered some correct color red paint from Tower Paint in Wisconsin (highly recommended by me), and have disassembled, rebuilt, and painted the steering column and dashboard. They are no longer ugly

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dashboard cover

green, now nice pretty red. There is a bearing in the steering column, and one outfit that sells Lincoln parts wanted \$40 for it. I found another outfit that sells Thunderbird parts that had a very similar appearing bearing for \$15, which I bought. It turned out to be the exact same one. I've found several parts from Ford and Thunderbird vendors for less. I am about ready to order its new leather interior once I can zero in on the exact color I want. It will be the same off white it was born with, but now with red piping rather than green.

I probably have done even more, but that is all my aging memory can recall. Until the next Tailfin.

Lars

IN CLC meeting January 10, 2015 at Binkley's



1. What was the first year the Cadillac offered a memory seat?
A. 1948 B. 1957 C. 1981 D. 1996
2. What model year did Cadillac make radial tires standard equipment?
A. 1973 B. 1974 C. 1975 D. 2. 1976
3. What was the first year for the Series 60 Special?
A. 1936 B. 1938 C. 1940 D. 1946
4. What was the last Cadillac to use the 4.9 liter V-8?
A. 1989 Eldorado B. 1992 Sedan DeVille C. 1995 Sedan DeVille D. 2000 DTS
5. What was GM's first front wheel drive car?
A. Olds Toronado B. Buick Riviera C. Cadillac Eldorado D. Pontiac Tempest
6. What company did Henry Leland found after leaving Cadillac?
A. Essex B. ReVere C. Detroit Electric D. Lincoln
7. What company first offered hydraulic brakes in a passenger car?
A. Chrysler B. Cadillac C. Duesenberg D. Rolls Royce
8. Which brand was not a GM companion car?
A. Viking B. LaSalle C. Pontiac D. Oakland
9. A 70/30 ratio of antifreeze to water is preferred to a 50/50 ratio.
A. True B. False
10. The LaSalle briefly had an in-line six cylinder engine.
A. True B. False

ANSWERS on Page 12

Central Regions Directors,

A Judge's Training Workshop will be hosted by the West of the Lake Region in Glen Ellyn, IL on April 11, 2015. See the attached announcement and registration form.

A Judging Committee was recently established and performed a comprehensive analysis of the current system and has approved enhancements to make the CLC judging system and related matters better for all – the Entrants, the Judges, and the Club.

I strongly encourage your attendance and would greatly appreciate you encouraging your region members to attend. While the Central Region members should be receiving this information please help disseminate the information to your members. Early registration is highly recommended as a minimum of 25 attendees is required and a maximum of 50 will be permitted to provide full benefit from the hands on training.

Thank you for your assistance in this regard.

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Gary Fisher

Central Regions VP



JUDGE'S TRAINING WORKSHOP ANNOUNCEMENT

The Board of Directors has approved a comprehensive upgrading of CLC Judging. One element of that program is Judge's Training Workshops. These in-depth Workshops are conducted for geographic groupings of individual CLC regions. The first of these Workshops will be conducted for the Central Regions to prepare judges for the 2015 Grand National hosted by the Badger Region. *Although conducted for the Central Regions, any CLC member is welcome to register.*

WHAT IS A JUDGE'S TRAINING WORKSHOP?

It is 6 hours of training, including classroom instruction and the actual judging of cars.

Classroom Instruction will cover:

- new procedures adopted by the Judging Committee for 2015
- Entrant and Judge responsibilities
- Judging procedures

Practice Judging will assemble participants into 4-person judging teams to judge one high point car and one driver quality car. Additionally, a new car will be used to illustrate the standard on which all future judging will be based. Once the judging is complete, each team's performance will be critiqued.

JUDGE'S RECOGNITION PROGRAM

A recognition program for judges will be implemented to recognize those who judge. By judging at a national CLC judged event and other judging related activities, individuals will earn points. As the points are accumulated, each individual will progress from "Judge" to "Master Senior Judge". These titles will be confirmed by the presentation of unique pins that all judges can wear testifying to their level of judging expertise. Participating in a Judge's Training Workshop will be awarded multiple points.

DETAILS

- When: Saturday; April 11, 2015; 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Where: Chicago, Illinois; Crowne Plaza Glen Ellyn-Lombard & Heritage Cadillac
Room rate is \$109/night plus 11% tax
Cost: \$40 to cover cost of lunch, refreshments, & judging materials
Participants: Minimum 25; Maximum 50 if 25 don't sign up, the workshop will be canceled
In the event of cancelation the fee will be refunded
Maximum limited by date of signup; fees will be refunded to those exceeding 50
Deadline: All registrations must be received by March 31, 2015
Registration: Use form attached.
Transport: Transportation from airport to hotel – **arrange in advance** with Fred Butalla by calling 815-730-6044



**Regional Judge's Training Workshop – Central Regions
Registration**

Questions: Call William C. "Bill" Anderson, P.E., Chief Judge, (443) 994-5455; or email Rivsrgr8@aol.com

Minimum of 25 registrants. If not 25, Workshop may be cancelled.
Maximum of 50 registrants; postmark date controls.

DATE: Saturday, April 11, 2015

TIME: The workshop will start at the hotel 9 am and run to noon. Lunch at the hotel and then move to the dealership 12:30 to 4:30.

FEE: \$40/person; checks made payable to CLC; note "Judges Training Workshop" or call CLC office if paying by credit card.
Fee pays for lunch, refreshments and judging materials

LOCATION: Hotel: Crowne Plaza Glen Ellyn-Lombard, 1250 Roosevelt Road, Glen Ellyn, IL 60137 Phone (630) 629-6000
Rooms are \$109/night plus 11% tax;

Transport from Airport to Hotel – **Arrange in advance** by calling Fred Butalla 815-730-6044

Dealership: Heritage Cadillac, 303 Roosevelt Road, Lombard, IL 60148

HOST REGION: West of the Lake Region, Fred Butalla, Director

Name _____ Phone _____

Email _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Judging Experience

CLC Yes No; If Yes, how many times ____

AACA Yes No; If Yes, how many times ____

CCCA Yes No; If Yes, how many times ____

BCA Yes No; If Yes, how many times ____

NCRS Yes No; If Yes, how many times ____

Other Marque (insert name) _____ How many times ____

Submit this registration from by March 31, 2015.

Send completed form and payment (checks made payable to CLC) to: William C. Anderson, 2198 Johns Hopkins Road, Gambrills, MD 21054. Thank you for registering!

Motor City Dream Cruising and Collections Tour

2015 Cadillac & LaSalle Club National Driving Tour

August 11-15, 2015 Hosted by the Motor City Region

Deadline for On-Time Registration is July 19, 2015



Registration Form

Member Name _____ Name for Badge _____

Spouse/Partner Name _____ Name for Badge _____

Guest name(s) and city/state of each guest (minor children; include ages) _____

Address _____ City _____

State/Province _____ Zip/Postal Code _____ Country _____

Cell Phone _____ E-mail _____

Car: Year _____ Make _____ Model _____

Anticipated Date/Time of Arrival _____ CLC Member # (required) _____

Registration Fees: \$50 for driver, spouse and minor children \$ _____

\$65 for registration mailed after July 19, 2015 \$ _____

Guest Fees: \$50 for guests and their spouse \$ _____

\$65 for registration mailed after July 19, 2015 \$ _____

Daily Fees:

Tuesday 8/11: Pre Tour Events (no meals included): Henry Ford Museum \$17 per person \$ _____

See Henry Ford Museum OR Greenfield Village Greenfield Village \$22 per person \$ _____

Wednesday 8/12: GM Heritage Center & Edsel and Eleanor Ford House \$65 per person \$ _____

Thursday 8/13: Port Huron: Lighthouse & Museum \$60 per person \$ _____

Friday, 8/14: Meadowbrook Hall & Stahl Collection, Banquet at Hotel \$65 per person \$ _____

Saturday, 8/15: Post Tour - Terry Adderly Collection & Woodward Cruise \$5 per person for Tour \$ _____

(no meals included) \$35 Parking/Display fee per Car at Woodward Dream Cruise \$ _____

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____

Daily fees include all activities, as well as lunch and supper unless otherwise noted. Breakfast is on your own.
Reservations must be made directly with the hotel. Registrants will be provided a detailed, day-by-day information packet,
including driving directions. Members and guests participating, but not bringing their own car, will pay full registration fees.

Tour Lodging - Somerset Inn, Troy, Michigan • \$99-\$119 plus tax, per night • www.somersetinn.com
(Please mention the Cadillac & LaSalle Club when making your own reservations - Group ID# 2649)

Pay using **PayPal™** or Mail this form with your check made payable to:
Motor City Region CLC Driving Tour 2015 - 1614 Rockfield Dr., Troy, MI 48085

Questions may be directed to Tour Chairman Bruce (Chip) Iceman at drivingtour2015@gmail.com or 248-703-2119
(See page 2 for event details.)

2015 Driving Tour Registration Notes

Hotel – Somerset Inn, Troy, Michigan

This is a hub and spoke tour, we will be staying at the same hotel each night. Please see the registration form for the contact information. Please do not use other online services, we have rooms blocked and may not get credit for your reservation.

Important Note: This tour is during the week of the Woodward Dream Cruise, this is the largest one day automotive event in the world, rooms will be hard to find, please reserve early.

The hotel has plenty of onsite parking for your trailer and rig if you choose to do so. Hoses, buckets, towels and water will be provided by the hotel at no charge. You will need to supply your own cleaning products.

Tuesday

This Pre Tour event is for people coming into the area for the first time or not in a long time. The ticket price for Greenfield Village is \$22 per person. This includes our own parking area and entrance to the grounds. If you would like to do the Museum instead, it would be \$17 and parking will be in the general lot. We will need to know your preference before hand.

Dinner is on your own. We will provide a list of recommended restaurants within the area of the hotel for every price range.

Wednesday

Departure 8:30 am

We will visit the GM Heritage Center, owned by General Motors and featuring past cars and trucks, experimental and show cars. The Center is not open to the public except in groups. Next, we are on to the General Motors Tech Center, which is not open to the public, our sponsor will take us on a rare tour inside the grounds. We will lunch at and tour the Edsel and Eleanor Ford House, then take a scenic drive back to the hotel. We will have dinner and see the sights along Woodward Avenue as the Dream Cruise event begins to take shape. Lunch and dinner are included in the price as are all events.

Thursday

Departure 8:30 am

Our longest drive will be on this day as we travel along Lake St. Clair and the St. Clair River to Port Huron.

We will lunch on the shore of the river where Canada is just a stones throw away. Visit Wills Sainte Claire Auto Museum of Classic Autos in Marysville and the Fort Gratiot Lighthouse at the juncture of Lake Huron and the St. Clair River.

Following the Museum and Lighthouse visits we will travel back to the hotel, stopping at the Troy Historic Village for ice cream and treats. Dinner will be near the hotel with plenty of time afterward for shopping or to head back to Woodward Avenue.

Friday

Departure 8:30 am

We will drive the nearby grounds of the Cranbrook Institute before we head up to Meadow Brook Hall, the former Dodge Mansion.

After the tour we will have lunch and visit The Stahl Collection. Returning we will have our banquet at the hotel.

Saturday

Departure 8:30 am

This is a post tour event for those that would like to stay for the Woodward Dream Cruise.

You may tour a private collection of cars that few can rival. It takes up two buildings and will be a highlight.

This event may be attended for a cost of \$5 per person.

For those that would like to take in the Dream Cruise we have rented a parking lot so you can come and go as well as display your car. It is at a local restaurant, so we have food and facilities handy. The cost of this event is \$35 for the cost of 1 car to park in the lot. There is no per person charge, there is no food included in the cost. We have limited spots available first come first served. The Dream Cruise concludes at 9 pm, the spot is yours for the entire day.

2015 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM

Please complete this printed document and mail with a check or money order for \$15 (payable to CLC, IN Region) Mail to: **Berry Wheeler, 208 N Center St, Flora, IN 46929**

* NAME _____ SPOUSE NAME _____

*NATIONAL CLC membership number _____

*ADDRESS _____

*CITY _____ *STATE _____ *ZIP _____

*PHONE _____ *EMAIL _____

Cadillacs/LaSalles owned _____

Answers for the quiz:

1. B 2. A 3. B 4. C 5. A 6. D 7. C 8. D 9. B 10. B

