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My Cadillac Story By Ori Masdeu

Hi, my name is Ori Masdeu. I was born in Cuba in 1965. I lived in Brooklyn from 1968 - 1978. While walking the streets of Brooklyn going to and coming home from school, I saw many cars from the 60's and 70's.

I distinctly remember my father introducing me to a female co-worker named Sheila. She drove a 1976 Buick Electra 225 Limited with a sunroof, crushed red velour interior, power everything. That's when I fell in love with the American car.

1983 arrived and my father gave me a great high school graduation present. A 1973 Buick Riviera Grand Sport 455 V-8, floor shifter, 12 bolt positraction, power everything. Last of the boat tail Rivieras 1971-1973.

Fast forward to 2003. I finally had my first Cadillac, a 1978 Eldorado Biarritz, white with pillow seats and a moonroof. I have owned more than 20 Eldorado's between 2003-2012. I currently have 2, a 1973 Eldorado convertible, and a 1976 Eldorado convertible. I have owned Camaro's, Monte Carlos, a Mustang and a 1976 Lincoln Continental Mark IV Black Diamond.



My 1973 Eldorado convertible

My 1976 Eldorado convertible



I have attended a few Caddy shows and Bernie Cooney and Pat Caruso are the guys I most often see at the shows. Thank you, Joe Manna for the Stray Cats "*Look at That Cadillac*" video.



I used to own a 1978 Eldorado Eldeora with SUPERFLY headlights. Some people thought it was too PIMPALICIOUS, but I like the flamboyancy of the 70's cars. I also used to own a 1974 Blue Eldorado Eldeora, but recently sold it. I have been to many car shows and you seldom see a Cadillac Eldeora which is a model that usually had vinyl on the doors, special vinyl roof, window treatment, Landau bars or chrome hood cap or continental style trunk hump. I have seen a 1971 CDV Eldeora, a 1976 SDV Eldeora, and a few 1978 Eldorado Eldeora's. Few were made, but I don't know how many.

I look forward to attending more RRRCLC events this year

and hopefully meeting all of you wonderful Cadillac lovers. "Best of all, it's a Cadillac." (My car can be seen on the RRRCLC website.)



<u>MINUTES / REPORTS</u> <u>RARITAN RIVER REGION-CLC – MEETING MINUTES – THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2012</u>

Director - Jay Raskin called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. There were 17 members present including 7 Board Members.

The Secretary's meeting minutes from January were accepted and approved by the attending members. Bob Crimmins re-instituted a sign in sheet which he will keep in his file.

Treasurer - Joe Puleo gave a breakdown of his proposed budget for 2012. Joe also gave us the Treasurers Report for January which was approved by the attending members.

Webmaster - Pat Caruso advised 537,110 hits to our website. The web is up to date including the calendar with all events planned at this time until October, 2012. The Gallery is still to be updated. Pat thanked Ray Koziol for all the graphics and his valued assistance on the RRR website - a round of applause followed.

Editor's Report - No Report

Membership Report - Ray Koziol advised that on 1/28/12, a total of 65 letters were sent to national CLC members who are not RRR members. To date, this campaign has resulted in 3 additional members as follows: Bruce Meier - Pennington, NJ

David Howell - Long Valley, NJ Andrew Thompson - Mountainside, NJ

Current membership = 120



Raritan River Region - CLC Meeting Minutes - Thursday, February 9, 2012 (continued)

OLD BUSINESS:

Jay reminded the attendees that elections are coming up for 3 Board Member positions and anyone interested in running should contact Ralph Messina. Ralph advised he will discuss this in greater detail at the March meeting and the new Board starts July 1, 2012.

Ralph also advised he needs to find another location for 8 boxes of RRR goods for sale and Jeff Montgomery advised he will be happy to store them. Ralph will give Jeff a detailed inventory.

ROYAL SHOW UPDATE - Joe Manna left a message with Joe Mitolo at Royal regarding this year's event. Dates were discussed and the following 3 dates were selected in order of priority - June 9th, 2nd or 30th.

Someone asked if we intended to carry on a theme as we did last year with the 100th Anniversary of Bob Losco's 1911 Cadillac.

Bob Crimmins mentioned 2012 is the 50th Anniversary of the 1962 Cadillac and Andrew Monahan mentioned a charity donation.

Ralph mentioned how good WOUNDED WARRIORS charity is and that 88% goes directly to the cause.

Jay reminded us of the upcoming "DUST OFF" on March 18th.

GOLD COAST UPDATE - Various dates in August were reviewed as well as September. August was preferred and the following dates were selected in order of priority: Sunday - August 12th, 19th or 26th. Darren will call Jeff at Gold Coast and review them with him.

NEW BUSINESS:

North Jersey Cadillac Club was discussed. Tony D'Agostino and Greg Roser mentioned they are members and will be attending their upcoming February meeting which will include a discussion on joining the CLC as a region.

Steve and Carol Boyle joined in the meeting as guests having been invited by Rich Nalavany. They own several LaSalle's. They filled out the necessary form and joined the RRR.

An alternate meeting place was again discussed trying to bring in additional members who live too far away to attend the meeting in Summit. A location in Middlesex County near major highways seems logical. A pizza place on Rt. 1 in Edison - just off the GSP was suggested and Jeff Montgomery will check with the owner regarding a meeting room. If acceptable, the meeting could be held in 3-4 months from now.

FOR SALE:

Pat Caruso advised that Bob Rooke from Morristown is selling his 1941 Series 6219 Cadillac 4 door sedan - black with gray roof - original car - automatic transmission - needs some work - \$12,000.00 OBO. Contact Pat for phone number.

Greg Roser advised a friend of his is looking for a 1973 Cadillac CDV although he might be okay with a SDV or Fleetwood.

As there was no other business to attend to, the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 PM.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, March 15, 2012 at 7:30 PM at the Summit location.

Respectfully submitted, Bob Crimmins Secretary





MARCH

- 15 Monthly Meeting <u>http://www.rrrclc.org/map_to_monthly_mtg.htm</u>
- 16 Vehicles needed for CNBC's live show, "Power Lunch" ~ See article on Page 8
- 18 Dust Off Brunch, Old Country Buffet ~ Watchung, NJ ~ See flyer on Page 9

<u>APRIL</u>

- 01 Annual Watchung Mountain Chapter AACA Swap Meet & Flea Market ~ Stirling, NJ http://www.njaaca.org/
- 06-15 New York International Car Show ~ Jacob Javits Convention Center, NYC
- **19 Monthly Meeting** <u>http://www.rrrclc.org/map_to_monthly_mtg.htm</u>
- 25 29 Spring Carlisle ~ Carlisle, PA

<u>MAY</u>

- 04 06 Englishtown Spring Swap Meet & Auto Show ~ Raceway Park ~ Englishtown, NJ
- 06 NJ Region AACA Spring Show at Automatic Switch ~ Florham Park, NJ <u>http://www.njaaca.org/</u>
- 17 Monthly Meeting ~ Dinner Meeting At Tony's Pizza & Restaurant, Edison, NJ ~ See flyer on Page 15
- 20 Northeast Chapter Professional Car Society Annual Charity Show, Peddler's Village ~ Lahaska, PA All vehicles welcome! <u>http://pcsnortheast.com/</u> See flyer on Page 14
- 28 PRE-REGISTRATION DEADLINE Royal Cadillac Dealer Show ~ Florham Park, NJ See flyer on Page 16

<u>JUNE</u>

- 02-03 Greenwich Concours d'Elegance ~ Roger Sherman Baldwin Park ~ Greenwich, CT
- 02 Royal Cadillac Dealer Show ~ Florham Park, NJ See flyer on Page 16
- 13-17 CLC Grand National, Renaissance Resort at World Golf Village ~ St. Augustine, Florida
- 15 16 Antique Truck Club of America ~ Truck Show ~ Macungie, PA
- 21 Monthly Meeting <u>http://www.rrrclc.org/map_to_monthly_mtg.htm</u>
- 22-24 Burn Foundation Concours d'Elegance of the Eastern U.S. ~ Skytop Lodge ~ Skytop, PA



CALENDAR OF EVENTS (continued)

<u>JULY</u>

- 07 "The Caddys Are Coming To Hershey" Central PA Region CLC & Upper Susquehanna Region CLC Show, Hershey Museum ~ Hershey, PA
- 13 Somerville Cruise, Somerville, NJ ~ Celebrating Collector Car Appreciation Day. See flyer on Page 13
- 19 Monthly Meeting <u>http://www.rrrclc.org/map to monthly mtg.htm</u>

<u>AUGUST</u>

- 03-05 Das Awkscht Fest Swap Meet & Car Show ~ Macungie, PA Featured Car: Crosley
- 13 CADILLAC NIGHT at the Galloping Hill Cruise ~ Galloping Hill Inn ~ 325 Chestnut St @ Five Points ~ Union, NJ ~ Get there early to park with all the other Caddys
- 16 Monthly Meeting <u>http://www.rrrclc.org/map_to_monthly_mtg.htm</u>
- 29 Sep 02 Lead East, Parsippany Hilton Hotel ~ Parsippany, NJ

SEPTEMBER

- 08 Somerset County Library Nursing Home Runs w/ NJ Region AACA Chelsea Assisted Living, Routes 202/206 Bridgewater, 9 am to approx 11 am. Followed by Avalon Assisted Living, NJ Highway 28, Bridgewater, 11:30 am to approx 3 pm. Contact Bernie Cooney, (732) 629-7544, <u>BernieC@rrrclc.org</u>
- 08-09 Belvidere Victorian Days ~ Cars Around The Square ~ Belvidere, NJ
- 09 Warren Township Classic Car Show, Warren Township Municipal Grounds ~ Details To Follow ~
- 16 Gold Coast Cadillac Dealer Show Gold Coast Cadillac, Oakhurst, NJ ~ Details To Follow ~
- 20 Monthly Meeting <u>http://www.rrrclc.org/map_to_monthly_mtg.htm</u>
- 22 Somerset County Library Nursing Home Runs w/ NJ Region AACA-Brandywine Assisted Living at Middle brook Crossing, US Highway 22, Bridgewater, 9 am to approx 11 am, followed by Eastern Star, Finderene Avenue, Bridgewater, 11:30 am to approx 3 pm. Contact Bernie Cooney, (732) 629-7544, <u>BernieC@rrrclc.org</u>
- 28 30 Englishtown Fall Swap Meet & Auto Show ~ Raceway Park ~ Englishtown, NJ
- 30 VFR Annual Fall Meet at Peddler's Village ~ Lahaska, PA ~ Details to follow ~

OCTOBER

- 10-13 HERSHEY!
- 18 Monthly Meeting <u>http://www.rrrclc.org/map_to_monthly_mtg.htm</u>
- 28 Philadelphia Region Lincoln Continental Owners Club Annual Fall Meet, Peddler's Village ~ Lahaska, PA ~ ALL Makes Welcome ~ <u>http://www.rrrclc.org/documents/12 lincoln lahaska.pdf</u>



CALENDAR OF EVENTS (continued)

NOVEMBER

15 Monthly Meeting <u>http://www.rrrclc.org/map to monthly mtg.htm</u>

DECEMBER

Holiday Party, Date & Location To Be Announced

NOTE: Beginning with the March meeting we are reverting back to our original schedule of meeting on the **THIRD** Thursday of the month. We will continue to meet at Spring Meadows Summit Assisted Living, 41 Springfield Ave., Summit, NJ ~ (908) 522-8852, *unless otherwise noted*. Meetings begin at 7:30 pm. **Region activities are shown in bold**.



For Sale & Wanted... For Sale & Wanted...

Ads are *FREE* to Region Members, sorry no photo's. Each ad will run for 3 consecutive issues and then be automatically withdrawn. Advertisers are asked to immediately notify me upon the sale of an advertised item. To place an ad e-mail Ray Koziol @ <u>RayK@rrrclc.org</u>

Ads must be received no later than the 25th of the month for inclusion in the following month's newsletter.

FOR SALE - 1941 Cadillac Model 6219 Sedan - Good original car, runs well. Car is about 100% complete, no dents - little or no rust, needs paint, chrome good for its age, transmission needs attention, upholstery pretty good except driver seat warn, headliner ok, engine good but not restored, \$12,000 or make offer for this CCCA Full Classic. Bob Rooke 973-539-2849 Eves up to 8pm. Vehicle is located in Morris County NJ. (3)

FOR SALE - 1949 Cadillac 75 7-pass sedan- formerly owned by Mr Rogers of Mr. Rogers Neighborhood- Only 69,000 miles on it today. Never damaged- Full cosmetic restoration several years ago, but car is just a beautiful and wonderful car to see and drive. You can see photos of it online by going to www.hirschauto.com/49cad If interested in this black beauty, call me at 973 642-4093 (weekdays only) or contact me at my e-mail address which is <u>hirschbill@aol.com</u> - Bill Hirsch (1)

WANTED - 1955 Cadillac Working Horn #766. Please call Bob Rankin at (732) 560-1497 (1)

WANTED - A tire jack for my '85 Seville. This is a scissors type jack that fits behind the space save spare tire. Thanks! Contact: Bernie Cooney, (732) 629-7544, <u>BernieC@rrrclc.org</u> (2)



Garage Space Available - The owner of a three car garage in the non-flood section of Bound Brook called me to let me know his three car garage is now available. He is a podiatrist, and the garage is behind his office on a side street. Dr. Henderson would like \$250.00 per month for the three car garage. More info? Give me a call, or send an email:

Contact information: Bernie Cooney, (732) 629-7544, BernieC@rrrclc.org (2)

PARTS CARS FOR SALE – Ford, Chevrolet, Dodge, 7 -8 parts cars from the 50's & 60's available. All located in Linden, NJ. For further info contact Bill Kurgman, 908-578-7626 or e-mail <u>KurgmanAuto@yahoo.com</u> (2)



For Sale & Wanted...continued

PARTS FOR SALE - CA Car Cover which will fit a 2007 DTS and possible similar sized cars. Contact Roe Spicuzza 732-416-0038 (1)

PARTS FOR SALE - Garage Sale! Getting rid of some excess '61 Cadillac parts, including an almost pristine grille, exquisite 1961 hub cap centers, clock, radio. Lots of great stuff, no reasonable offer refused. Also featuring some Buick and Ford items. <u>Un</u>reasonable offers may be accepted without warning. Contact Bernie Cooney, (732) 629-7544, <u>BernieC@rrrclc.org</u>. (3)

PARTS FOR SALE- Genuine NOS AC Delco PF30 Oil Filters. These rare and long out of production oil filters are being made available exclusively to CLC members. Last produced in 1983 and superseded by the now also out of production PF24 Filter, these new in the box genuine AC Delco NOS oil filters are being made available to CLC members for \$20.00 each or six for \$100.00 plus s/h. These are the correct filters for all 1960-1976 Cadillacs and cannot be beaten for quality and dependability. Take advantage of this rare opportunity to treat your 'Pride and Joy' to these correct show quality filters today. Contact Thomas Murray at 609-671-0142/609-751-6662 by phone or by email at: chuke62@hotmail.com

PARTS FOR SALE- Halogen Bulbs & Sealed Beams- See and be seen with our great new halogen bulbs. Almost TWICE the light as conventional bulbs - Will fit your exiting socket - Hardly any additional drain on the battery - For all 6 & 12 volt cars from 1920 onward. Please call Bill Hirsch at 1 800 828 2061 and ask for Eric or e-mail: <u>info@hirschauto.com</u>

PRODUCTS FOR SALE- CUSTOM LEATHER KEY CASES – From the late 1930's to the early 1970's, many car dealers gave small leather key cases to both new and used car buyers. I have produced a line of replica key cases which are modeled after those giveaways and which are appropriate for any classic car. Each key case can be customized with the owner's initials. Contact Hugh Dyer at hugh rpm@msn.com or (908) 359-7122 for a product flyer and order form.

SERVICES AVAILABLE: Immortalize your car with an eye-catching Laminated Poster. These are made to order by a professional Graphic Artist. You have a choice of background colors, fonts and logos. These impressive posters are 24" X 18" and are offered to our members at a discounted price starting at \$150, copies can be had for a mere \$60. View a sample at: http://www.rrrclc.org/images/76_Stas%20(6).jpg For further information contact Jennifer at 908 284-1660 or email: jennifer.stas@gmail.com

A Request From Nicole Dina:

I had the pleasure of attending the car show at Gold Coast Cadillac on September 11, 2011.

I am getting married in NYC and would love to have one of the Classic Cadillacs for my photos.

I've always had a love for classic cars since I was a kid.

I am looking for an owner who would be willing to allow us to rent the car for an hour.

My wedding is June 9th in NYC at the Yale Club.

If anyone is interested, please email: <u>david.nicole2012@gmail.com</u>



See And Be Seen On CNBC, by Pat Caruso

First of all – my apologies for the horrible title!

Craig Jackson, the CEO of Barrett-Jackson, is going to be interviewed live on CNBC in Englewood Cliffs on Friday March 16, for the show "Power Lunch". They are looking for four cars that would be background props. Vehicle owners will not appear on camera. Cars up to 1969 will be considered.

When: Friday, March 16, 12:45 p.m. - 2 p.m.
Where: CNBC Studios
900 Sylvan Avenue
Englewood Cliffs, NJ 07632
Rain date: None - segment will be aired rain or shine - <u>cars will be outside in the weather</u>
Payment: None (sorry!)
Contact: Jarrod Holland
JMPR
910.431.3322
jholland@jmprpublicrelations.com

So, while CNBC's national audience may not get to see your face, they will get a chance to see your great car! Plus, CNBC will thank the Raritan River Region on the air!

If you are selected to participate, don't forget to bring your camera – this event would make a great story for a future issue of Caddy Corner!











the spirits and those winter doldrums than to announce

our annual Dust Off Brunch for the 2012 season.

Those many members who have attended in the past know there are two main reasons to attend the Dust Off Brunch. FIRST of course is the food, all you can eat, at a reasonable price. Bottom line you get eggs, pancakes, french toast, sausage, bacon, danish, toast, omelets, home fries, etc., etc., for about *\$8.00 per person* (price may be *slightly* higher in March, check future announcements).

The SECOND reason to attend the Dust Off Brunch is to catch up with your fellow region members. Check on the progress made on member restoration projects. Find out whether Bob Rankin has found a working horn for Ms. Daisy or whether Bernie Cooney has finally located that elusive tire jack for his Seville! The buffet serving style and reserved club seating promotes table hopping and interesting conversations will abound.

This year we return to the Old Country Buffet which offers a comprehensive, all you can eat breakfast buffet at a very reasonable price. They are conveniently located in the Blue Star Shopping Center on Route 22 West in Watchung, NJ, just 9 miles West of the Garden State Parkway, and 9.8 miles East of Interstate 287.

So mark the calendar for March 18, 2012, <u>NO RSVP is necessary just be sure to come hungry!</u>



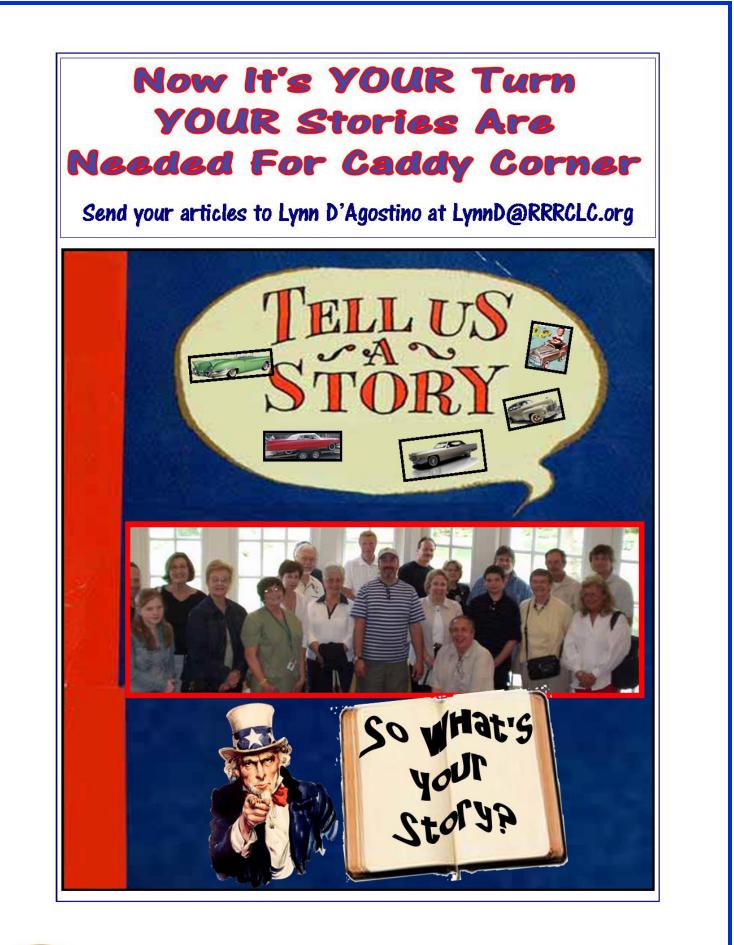
Details are as follows: Sunday, March 18, 2012 9:00 AM To Noon Old Country Buffet ~ 1701 Route 22 West, Watchung, NJ 908-322-8100

Will the weather cooperate to bring a collector car?? If not come modern.





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Somerville has declared Friday, July 13th Cadillac Cruise Night and has invited our membership to display their Cadillac/LaSalle motorcars in a group along Main Street in front of the historic court house. This is also a special night for collector car owners. SEMA has designated July 13th 2012 as *National Collector Car Appreciation Day*. So join the celebration by attending the Somerville Cruise and support not only the club but the hobby as well!

Arrive early as we have approximately 28 spaces allotted to our club for Cadillac/LaSalle display. Officially the cruise starts at 6:00 PM, region members will be setting up around 5:00 PM. The cruise ends at 9:00 PM.

Bring the whole family as Somerville offers a number of eateries sure to please any taste. In addition there are a number of antique shops and even a model train/hobby shop suitable for kids of all ages!





The Northeast Chapter Of The Professional Car Society



All cars and trucks are invited to our Eleventh Annual Spring Meet and Car & Truck Show Proceeds to Benefit Bucks County SPCA



Sunday, May 20th, 2012 (Rain or shine) Peddler's Village Routes 202 & 263 Lahaska (Bucks County), PA

The show field and registration will open at 9:00am Vehicles to be judged must be on the show field by 11:30am People's Choice Voting from 11:30am – 1:00pm ~ Awards at 2:30pm Dash plaques to the first 100 vehicles registered Pre-registration by Saturday, May 5th, 2012 is \$15.00 ~ Day-of-show is \$20.00

• All vehicles must have a visible fire extinguisher (please, no exceptions).

- Per PCS rules, caskets, skeletons, or other macabre items will not be allowed.
- Stretchers and appropriate emergency equipment are permitted.
- No alcoholic beverages or "For Sale" signs permitted.
- Awards will include Peoples' Choice Voting (1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th Place) and Chairman's Choice Award.
- Questions? Contact Event Chairperson, Bill Marcy bmarcy@optonline.net (201) 342-4871

Mail this portion to <i>Bill Marcy 349 Lookout Ave. Hackensack, NJ 07601</i> Please make checks payable (@ \$15 per vehicle) to <i>Northeast Chapter, PCS</i>		
Name:		Phone:
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City, State	, Zip:	
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	I, the undersigned do hereby state that my vehicle(s) currently carries liability insurance and further agree to hold harmless the Professional Car Society and its officers, the Northeast Chapter and its officers, and Peddler's Village for any accident, property damage, injuries, or theft which may occur to myself, my guests, or my vehicle(s) while attending or otherwise participating in this show. Signature & date:	







We encourage all RRRCLC members to attend our May 17th monthly meeting, which will be a dinner meeting held at a special venue - Tony's Pizza & Restaurant, located off of Route 1 at 1199 Amboy Avenue, Edison, NJ, 08817

Come hungry, because our club will be providing free pizza and soft drinks for all attendees!

We will begin our business /dinner meeting in a private room promptly at 7:30 PM.

Members are welcome to purchase additional menu selections at their own expense, but we'll make sure there is plenty of pizza available to satisfy everyone.

Tony's phone number is 732-548-2770 For directions, please see Tony's web site: http:// www.tonyspizzaedison.com







