



Celebrate September 7th,

Caddy Corner

Cadillac & LaSalle Club, Florida Suncoast Region

Promoting fellowship with people of similar interests in Cadillac and LaSalle automobiles.

Website: <https://www.cadillaclasalleclubflorida.com/>

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(open)

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Paul Simcock

MONTHLY MEETINGS:

All meetings are held the 2nd Tuesday of every month. The doors open at 11:00 a.m. The meeting will start at 11:30 a.m.

UPCOMING MEETING - September 8th 2026

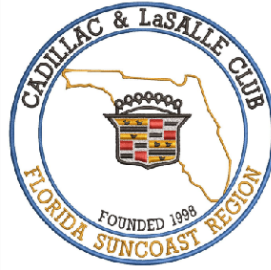
Perkins Restaurant in Clearwater, address is 2626 Gulf-to-Bay Blvd , Clearwater, FL 33759.

EVENTS: See details in the Activities Director's Report in this newsletter.

Can you Guess the Car Photo?

Test your overall skill and knowledge base of various Cadillac motorcar imagery. Find out the answer by emailing the Editor.





Florida Suncoast Region CLC Consolidated Meeting Reports August 31, 2026

Treasurer's Report Now that September is here, the season is about to change -- at least in some places. Rumors are that things are about to change at the Cadillac factory too. The compact CT4 sedan is about to be retired, and the current mid-sized CT5 is supposedly about to be replaced with a newer version, possibly renamed the CTS. My last new Cadillac was a CTS, an attractive and well designed car that unfortunately suffered from lamentable deficiencies in build quality. I wish the new version, whatever its name turns out to be, a happier fate.

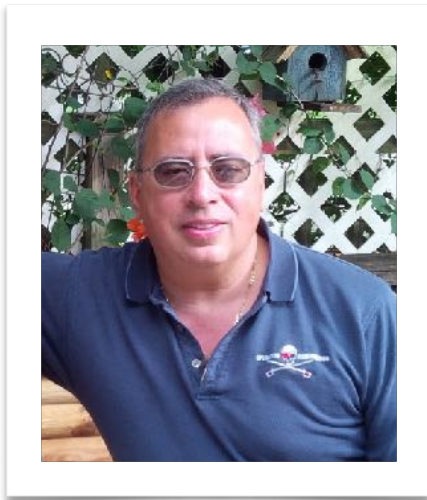
Another change on the horizon is the end of calendar year 2026 and the beginning of 2027. As I remind the membership of the Florida Suncoast Region annually, dues will become payable -- not quite now, but shortly. I have a secret plan to urge Cadillac to credit Regional dues toward the purchase of a new car, but haven't gotten to the implementation stage quite yet. For the immediate future the reward for paying dues will be, as always, the fellowship of other Cadillac lovers and entree to Regional meetings, picnics and other events. But stay tuned -- you never know what the future might bring!



Respectfully Submitted,

Benjamin L. Berman,
Treasurer, Florida Suncoast Region,
Cadillac & LaSalle Club

Membership Report We had no renewals this month. We are at (20) 2026 renewals so far. We have a total of 27 active members. Seven have not renewed for 2026 yet. I was one off from Ben, so I reconciled the member roster against treasurer Ben Berman's list and noticed that John & Patricia Kritis are new members from April. Welcome to John & Patricia. Recent members (past 2-3 years) should have their badges by now. If you are a recently new member and you did not receive a name badge, please contact me by email at cadillacmike68@yahoo.com and I will look into it. We'd like to remind members that your National dues must be current. The expiration date of your National dues is on the mailing page of your SELF-STARTER.



Respectfully Submitted,

Mike Santos,
Membership Director, Florida Suncoast Region,
Cadillac & LaSalle Club

Florida Suncoast Region, Cadillac & LaSalle Club Director's Report September 2026

Hello Everyone:

What an awesome turnout we had last month during a time when most members are up north. We are still in that window of never knowing who will show up so if your calendar is open come have lunch with us and enjoy some social time together. After all, what is a club, if we don't get together and commune in person.

Respectfully Submitted,
Mark Demyan,
Director, Florida Suncoast Region,
Cadillac & LaSalle Club



Did You Know...

Chrysler Competes with Cadillac - Early 1960s

Chrysler and Cadillac historically have targeted different tiers of the luxury automotive market, with our Cadillacs operating as a true premium luxury brand and Chrysler positioned more as an accessible “near-luxury” or aspiring mainstream brand. However, Chrysler did introduce the Imperial to go head-to-head with Cadillac and Lincoln as far back as 1955; but particularly in the early 60's with pricing to demonstrate their emerging underdog position.



The Family takes delivery on their new 1960 Plymouth Belvedere Sport Coupe

Club Activities Report

Dear Fellow Club Members:

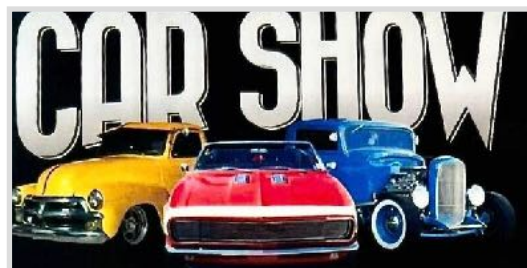
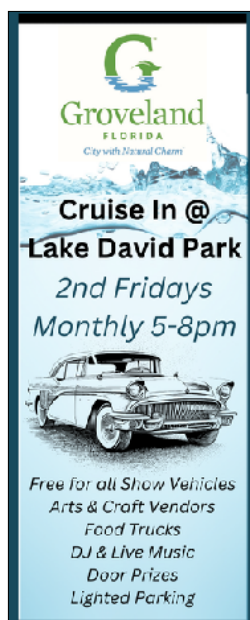
Our next event will be the Fall picnic on Sunday, October 25th. Keep a watch on emails for details.

The monthly gathering is always on the second Tuesday of the month at 11AM at the Perkins Restaurant & Bakery at 2626 Gulf-to-Bay Blvd Clearwater, FL 33759.

If you have an idea for an event and you are willing to do the legwork to make it happen, please contact me and I will provide all needed correspondences to the members.

Mark

It's Showtime!



Let's go to historic downtown Eustis for the popular downtown classic car show on the fourth Saturday of every month. Some 150 Classic Cars will cruise into beautiful Ferran Park in Downtown Eustis. Enjoy our unique downtown shops and restaurants, great music and very cool classic and muscle cars. Registration is free the day of the event and all registered attendees are entered into a cash prize giveaway. Cruise-In times are 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm. Sponsored in mutual cooperation with the Eustis Business Alliance Council and the Eustis City Chamber of Commerce.

Old-Fashioned Filling Station Air Pump For Sale



Up for Sale is a 1940's-50's ECO Tireflator Gas Station Tire Air Meter in good shape. These inflation devices were very popular at traditional gas stations like Gulf, Shell and Esso stations during the early 1940's and well into the early 1960's. They featured a crank handle that allowed you to "dial-in" your desired poundage and had a rubber air hose with chuck on the side. The hose was coiled on the front or rear with an air platen that turned the pressure off when depressed by the weight of the coiled hose after use.

A wonderful piece of "petroliana," these old pumps are highly sought-after and fetch high auction selling prices like MECUM when they are refurbished and in like new condition featuring the seller's station colors. This one looks like it may have come from an old Gulf Station. It can be yours for a modest **\$3,000.00**. It wouldn't take much expertise to make it like new again. Contact the Editor for more details and referral to the featured seller.



(Actual meter for sale above with pedestal)



Mother, daughter ensemble
designed expressly for Cadillac
by Ines de la Roca



The great Cadillac car has long been held in deep affection by the American woman. And yet, we believe that she will regard Cadillac with still greater favor during the coming year. For the "car of cars" now offers so much more to inspire and delight her. There's greater beauty and majesty of styling . . . new elegance and convenience of appointments . . . improved Fleetwood comfort and luxury . . . far finer performance and handling ease . . . and an even wider choice of models. So if you've lost your heart to Cadillac, this would be a wonderful year to find yourself at the wheel. Your dealer will be happy to acquaint you with all the new Cadillac virtues at any time.

Cadillac



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Saturday, September 12th, 4-9:00 PM
Celebrating our 30th Year!

The Villages monthly Cruise-In
Spanish Springs Town Square
<https://www.thevillagesentertainment.com/special-events/September-2026-cruise-in/>

The Villages® ENTERTAINMENT



The GO-TO Place on the web for all your upcoming car show cruise-in venues, dates, and times!

...See you there!

DADE CITY
CAR & TRUCK
SHOW
Hosted by Ronnie Setser

THE FIRST SATURDAY FROM SEPT-MAY
12pm-4pm

\$10

Registration fee to qualify for trophy presentation

Cruising cars will still be allowed but will not be part of the judging or receive dash plaques or trophies.

NEW LOCATION: Enter from Hwy. 301 / 7th St. onto Pasco Ave. We will no longer be closing SR 52 / Meridian Ave. Show will take place on the east and south sides of the Historic County Courthouse and roads to the east.

PLEASE SUPPORT ALL OF DOWNTOWN DADE CITY

For questions and further information, please contact Ronnie Setser (813) 879-1616 or (813) 601-7227 // ronniesetsercustoms.com

From the Editor: Paul Simcock

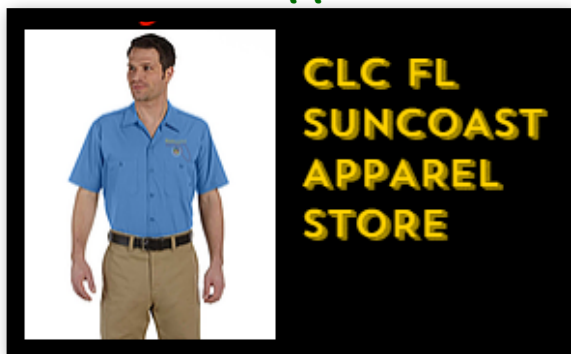


A few reminders: If you would like your “story” to be featured in the newsletter, please submit your article along with some photos directly to me. *All articles, business cards and ads are due by the 15th of each month.*

If you have a pre-published article you would like to submit; those are also welcome. Be sure to include copyright information so we can properly give credits to the source or author of the article or piece. Any reproduction of this newsletter content, *in whole or in part*, without prior permission is strictly prohibited by copyright law.

Also, we offer free advertising for cars & parts in our regional newsletter to current paid Regional Members. These ads do not have to be just for Cadillacs or LaSalles. Regional Members may also run their business cards for cars, or non-related ads for \$25.00 for a 4-month ad. A Non-member can take out a 4-month ad (*up to one page including photos*) for \$25.00. Non-member ads must be car related and you must state an asking price.

Part\$ and Apparel for \$ale



<https://gmclubapparel.com/collections/clc-florida-suncoast-region.com>

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



(No September Birthdays)

Note: If you would like your birthday posted, please contact the Editor.

Get the Most From Your National CLC Membership

Go to the homepage for National CLC and click on “Forums” for all the latest blog discussions, and major category information on:

- Authenticity Manuals and VIN Data
- Technical Manuals & Bulletins



This is an Event NOT TO BE MISSED!

2026 Special Grand Event

FORT LAUDERDALE

Cadillac & LaSalle Car Show



Sponsored by

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7TH ANNUAL

Sunday, November 15th, 2026 • 10:00AM–3:00PM
For Cadillac and LaSalle Automobiles All Years and Models

- Judged Competition Trophies • Food & Beverages
- Rain or Shine • Door Prizes • 50/50 Raffle • Fun for the Entire Family!

Pre-Registration Due October 30th, 2026

Registration Forms Available @ CLCSFR.COM

For More Information

Email: CadillacLaSalleClubFR@hotmail.com

Director, Len Constance, Jr. (954) 789-0966

Show Vice Chairman, Steve Tarampi (954) 501-3194

\$20 Judged Entries • \$25 After Oct. 30th
\$15 Display Only • \$20 After Oct. 30th



Location:

The Fort Pickleball Recreation Center
891 SW 34th St. Ft. Lauderdale, 33315
(954) 222-1965

Just North of
the Airport,
Along North
side of 595

Entrants and participants by execution of registration form release and discharge The Fort Recreation Center and Cadillac & LaSalle Club South Florida Region their officers, directors, employees or agents, representatives and servants from any and all known or unknown damages, injuries, losses, judgments, and claims from any cause whatsoever that may be suffered by an entrant or participants, person or property. Cars must remain at their assigned show locations until 3:00 PM. Fire extinguishers are strongly recommended, but not required, for judged and display-only cars.

1996 Fleetwood Brougham - A Traditional End to a Glorious Era

The Age of the Famous American Land Yacht

The 1993-1996 Fleetwood would be Cadillac's last traditional full-size, rear-wheel-drive luxury sedan. This final Fleetwood would also be America's last passenger car to be fitted with chrome-plated metal bumpers. It also continued Cadillac's traditional vertical taillamp theme and tombstone-type grille. Even though Cadillac's rear-wheel-drive model had been the most dated-looking Cadillac since the DeVille became front-wheel drive in 1985, the 1993 Fleetwood actually provided the inspiration styling of the restyled-for-1994 Cadillac DeVille.

Not only did the last Fleetwoods have the look, they had the go. Only the 185-hp 5.7-liter V-8 was available in 1993 (*it had been optional in 1992*), and in 1994, a new 5.7-liter V-8 was the only engine offered. This Gen II 5.7-liter V-8, a variation of the Chevrolet Corvette LT1 engine, significantly boosted horsepower to 260 hp for 1994. The Gen II 5.7-liter didn't make the Fleetwood a race car, but one magazine drag raced a new Buick Roadmaster, which shared its chassis with the Fleetwood, and produced great tire-spinning action.



The unmistakable very slim and long body panels of the spectacular Cadillac Fleetwood Brougham represent the world's example of unabashed American luxury at it's finest hour. The end of an era; but a highly distinguished one.



Opulent leather interiors graced the top-of-the-line Fleetwood with all the creature comforts imaginable. Ample room for all passengers; the full sized sedan featured comfort and roominess very easily for six people. The massive front windshield offered a panoramic view of the road and the 5.7L "Corvette" engine provided all the power one would need for a beautiful and comfortable Sunday drive.



Avid collectors and keen fans prefer their Fleetwoods dressed with the Brougham package, which added different aluminum wheels, a vinyl roof covering (*which could be deleted*), and a slightly more plush interior along with a different rear axle ratio. The 1996 Cadillac Fleetwood Brougham is the most desirable of all, partly because it was the last full-size Fleetwood and partly because of the refinements made over the model's four-year life. Late Fleetwood Broughams with the chrome-plated wheels are especially well sought after.

As a whole, the final Fleetwood is a reliable machine. The Fleetwood chassis was not only shared with the 1991-1996 Roadmaster but also the Chevrolet Caprice, and 5.7-liter-powered Caprices dutifully survived the rigors of police duty with flying colors. GM also touted its Fleetwoods with the Gen II 5.7-liter as not needing a tune-up for 100,000 miles, partly due to their new Opti-Spark angle-based spark delivery system. These cars are famous for going well beyond 200K and even 300K miles.

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Happy Motoring!



...and Best of All, it's a Cadillac!



BECOME A MEMBER

Cadillac & LaSalle Club, Florida Suncoast Region

Membership is open to anyone owning or having an interest in Cadillac or LaSalle Automobiles.
You Do Not have to own a Cadillac or LaSalle to join.

The Cadillac & LaSalle Club, Florida Suncoast Region membership dues are \$25.00 per year. Being a member is a way to participate in the Club's monthly meetings, activities and fellowship with other car enthusiasts. Also, it is a great way to learn more about your car and cars of other club members. A monthly Newsletter will keep you informed of all Region Activities. Many of our members are located in the Central Gulf Coast area, but we routinely welcome and have current members in Central and North Florida.

Mail your completed application form and check payable to "CLC, Florida Suncoast Region" to:

CLC, Florida Suncoast Region
c/o Benjamin L. Berman, Treasurer
4223 MacKay Falls Terrace
Sarasota, Florida 34243

2026 Membership Application/Renewal Form

(Membership Consists of Two Members per Household.)

Those joining October - December will include membership for the following year.

New Member _____ or Renewal _____ Date _____

Name(s): _____

NEW MEMBERS: Below, please print the exact name(s) for two complimentary club name badges.

Address: _____

Email: _____ Phone # _____

Cadillac or LaSalle vehicle(s) owned *(use separate sheet for additional cars).*

Year: _____ Model: _____ Year: _____ Model: _____

Year: _____ Model: _____ Year: _____ Model: _____

Member of National Cadillac LaSalle Club? Yes: _____ No: _____

National Member # _____ National Membership Renewal Month: _____

NATIONAL MEMBERSHIP IS REQUIRED. YOU CAN JOIN OR RENEW THE NATIONAL AT THIS SITE:

[HTTPS://WWW.CADILLACLASALLECLUB.ORG](https://www.cadillacclasalleclub.org)

I authorize use of my information for club purposes only: Yes _____ No _____

Signature: _____