



Father's Day, Sun. June 21st

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/>

<https://www.facebook.com/Cadillac-LaSalle-Club-Florida-Suncoast-Region-1573534062920397/>

CLUB OFFICERS

Region Director:

Mark Demyan

Vice Director:

Len Berman

Secretary:

Mike Santos

Treasurer:

Ben Berman

Membership Director:

Mike Santos

Activities Director:

(open)

Newsletter Editor/Publisher:

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 - June 9th 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 May 31, 2026

Treasurer's Report As you read this I'll be on my way to the CLC Grand National Meet in Concord [Charlotte], North Carolina. One of the more important privileges that comes with payment of your CLC dues is the right to attend these annual gatherings of Cadillac enthusiasts. Spending a week surrounded by Cadillacs of all vintages and the people who love them is a very spectacular experience! It's an opportunity to buy parts, learn about the history of Cadillac, and surround yourself with people from all corners of the USA and many foreign countries as well. Having attended many Grand Nationals over the years has led me to form friendships with others that I see only at these special type occasions. If you're not attending this year, I urge you to plan to do it next year!

I understand that your CLC national dues, combined with Suncoast Region dues, is a not an insignificant amount. However, it's not throwing money away; it's an investment in yourself -- providing the chance to immerse yourself in a subject -- Cadillacs -- that gives you satisfaction and stimulation and to do it with others who feel the same. The next time you're asked to pay dues, take a moment to consider how CLC and Regional membership -- and the opportunities they present -- enriches your life.

Respectfully Submitted,

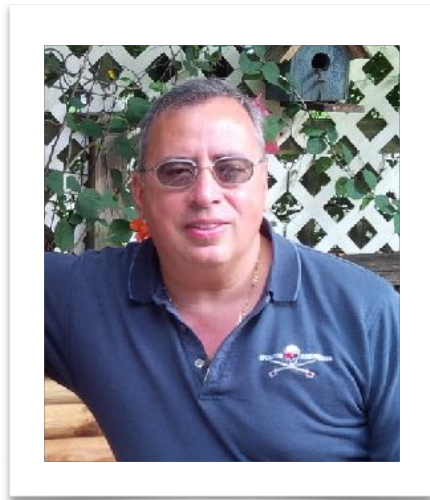
Benjamin L. Berman,
Treasurer, Florida Suncoast Region,
Cadillac & LaSalle Club



Membership Report We had no renewals this month. We are at nineteen 2026 renewals so far. We have a total of 26 active members. Nine have not renewed for 2026 yet. I placed an order for all outstanding name badges. 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 our members that your National dues must be kept current. The expiration date of your National dues is on the mailing page of your SELF-STARTER Magazine.

Respectfully Submitted,

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



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

Hello Everyone:

Every Region has to submit an Annual and Mid-Year Report to the National CLC Board.

Here is what I submitted for 2026 Mid-Year:

Our business meetings occurred as needed throughout the year during our picnics and or monthly gatherings. We continue to have our regular monthly social luncheon gatherings that focused more on socializing together as club members than business discussions.

The club had the Holiday Luncheon in January with each member paying for their own meal. We had a Spring Picnic in April with the club supplying a catered meal to all our members.

We currently have an active membership of 19 members.

The annual dues collection for 2026 went well; although several members aged out on us this year. These funds will once again support club functions. The club continues to maintain a solid balance of several thousands of dollars.

We continued to issue the club Newsletter every month on time.

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



Did You Know...



Eldorado Brougham at it's Finest

The **1957 Eldorado Brougham** came with magnetic whisky glasses. It had a minibar right in the glove box! It was also complete with a grooming compact for women along with a personalized leather notebook that matched the car's interior motif.

For the further discriminating Cadillac aficionado, Eldorado Brougham also included a silver cigarette case, a bottle of Arpège perfume by Lavin of Paris; complete with atomizer, and a comb.

Club Activities Report

Dear Fellow Club Members:

Our next event will be the Fall Picnic; held probably sometime in October. Keep a watch on future 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

Club Spring Picnic in Tampa

It was a beautiful Spring Sunday on April 26th with the the Suncoast Region providing a delicious array of culinary delights, as usual for all of our members to enjoy.

Members brought additional covered dishes and I think all will agree that the desserts were scrumptious as well.

Shelter No.11 at Lettuce Park provides the perfect venue to leisurely get-away for this Club tradition. Do stay tuned for more information on future events such as the upcoming Grand National, summertime meetings and activities as well as the always well-attended, Fall Picnic.



It's Showtime!


Sumter Swap Meets and Car Show



FIRST SUNDAY MONTHLY
except July & August
Antiques
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Car Corral

Florida Classic Park
5360 Lockhart Rd.
Brooksville
(229) 507-3548

PLANTATION WALK
CAR AND TRUCK SHOW



SUNDAY, JUNE 14TH
11AM - 3PM
ALL MAKES, MODELS & YEARS WELCOME

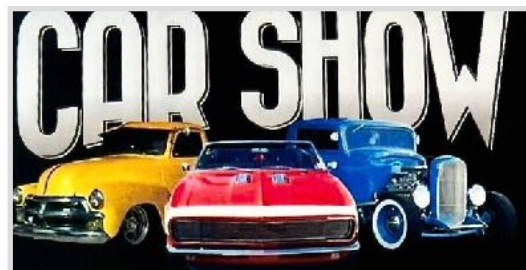
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PLANTATION - FLORIDA, 32322

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2nd Fridays
Monthly 5-8pm



Free for all Show Vehicles
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Food Trucks
DJ & Live Music
Door Prizes
Lighted Parking



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.

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Celebrating our 30th Year!

The Villages monthly Cruise-In
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<https://www.thevillagesentertainment.com/special-events/June-2026-cruise-in/>

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**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.

PLEASE SUPPORT ALL OF DOWNTOWN DADE CITY

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.

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



The Fleetwood 60 Special

French embroidery from the Boston Museum of Fine Arts • Jeweled "V" and Crest created by Black, Starr and Gorham

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to continue to create the finest car in the world.*



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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>



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





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: _____

Club apparel is available for purchase. Inquire at monthly meeting or club website.

The Year Was 1971...

The Vietnam War had 3 More Long Years to go

Two years after the Tet Offensive, Americans needed the affirmation that we were still the world's great force to be reckoned with. Some of those strong societal convictions manifested themselves in the production of some of the most iconic automobiles ever produced in the history of auto-making of that era.

Cadillac introduced a new look of leadership in 1971 with the completely restyled model year. Sculptured attributes included new luxurious conveniences, foremost classic engineering innovation and glamorous interiors. Choices of magnificent tufted brocade broadcloths adorned many new Cadillacs and once again, state-of-the-art features like elimination of the B pillar on all Sedans, DeVille Convertible and the Fleetwood Sixty Special was now replaced by the Brougham Series. Coupe DeVille enjoyed very renowned popularity and stainless steel body adornments appeared on all models.

A new Turbo-Hydramatic (THM) automatic transmission was introduced with newly refined braking systems along with a new exterior louvered flow-through cabin ventilation system. Cadillac Motor Division sold a record number of units with 69,345 Sedan DeVilles and 66,081 Coupe DeVilles shipped to Cadillac Dealers. Some assembly took place outside of Detroit at GMAD, General Motors Assembly Division in Linden, NJ. The sum total of all sales for the calendar year, including professional cars and commercial chassis models hit a new all time high of 267,868 units. Median income of the Nation's average family unit went just above \$10,000 in 1971 for the very first time in U.S. history.

The 1971 median family income of \$10,290 was about 4 percent higher than the 1970 median of \$9,870. However, because of price increases, the 1971 median income was about the same as the 1970 median income in terms of constant dollars. Among the 52.3 million families with civilian heads, approximately 64 percent were headed by year-round full-time workers. The median income of these families was \$12,440.

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Beautiful Dark Blue Dante Matelasse Broadcloth with Classic Leather Trim



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