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Pate Swap Meet Prep Party

March 8, 2014

Story and Photos by Lifer



Its spring again and time for thoughts of warm Texas weather, and of course the big Pate Swap Meet. Time to get the 8,000 space markers updated, organized, and ready for the next meet held during the last week in April. Twenty one NTXCLC and Model T club and Horseless Carriage Club worker elves braved some cool and rainy weather to come out have a Pate Party at the storage site. Working diligently we went through the 25 plus tubs of tile markers, schmoozed and socialized a bit, ate a doughnut, and overall had a good time



Each one of the 8,000 tiles is examined, either replaced or darkened, and placed in order in the tub. When they are on the ground they must be able to be seen by a person in the cab of a pickup truck.



We set up tables and benches in an empty storage locker provided by the Alliance Raceway Storage to work out of the weather. This was a real hit with the workers, and seems to have made the work go faster than ever before.



Outside additional worker elves helped with moving tubs in and out of work area. It went smoothly and in less time than ever before.

Getting these ready for layout day April 19th.

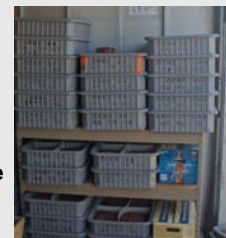


Neil Jefferson, NTXCLC Pate Director, helps direct the movement of the tubs from the tables to the storage shelves. Each bin weighs about 25—28 pounds and has to be placed in order so as to be distributed when they are taken to Texas Speedway lot for the swap meet.



One requirement is to double check the tiles to the map so as to be sure each space is accounted for. Since they get crushed, kicked, or lost when on the ground, we want to be sure we have them all accounted for.

Here we are stacking and organizing the tubs so that they will be in order when we go to lay them out.



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President's Activities

Rubye Musser

Looking forward to seeing and hearing from each of you at future activities.

***April 19th 2014**—Pate Swap Meet Set up Party—9:30 am Everybody comes out for this one.

***April 24-27 2014** — Pate Swap Meet. Tent workers come out April 24, 25, 26. **Call 817-996-8066 to volunteer.**

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***MAY 10, 2014** — 8-12 noon Kruzin 4 Kids Car Show. NTXCLC General Membership Meeting. **STONEBRIDGE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, 1800 S. Stonebridge St, McKinney, TX.** See page 5.

A great big **THANK YOU** to all those who came out the Pate Swap Meet Prep Party. You put up with cold and wind an rain and a whole lot of work. But we had some fun, too.

- MINNIE BEDRICK
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MR GROVES and several other club members.

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We have a block of rooms—ask for CADILLAC LaSALLE CLUB NTX. The hotel is centrally located off I-35, just minutes away from the Bell County Expo Center, Killeen -Fort Hood International Airport, Scott and White, and Fort Hood. 20 minutes from the Round Rock Outlet Mall and Harker Height Market Center. Hotel was built in 1860, and now very modern. We have 24 rooms at \$81.36 per night, and 11 rooms near the Jacuzzi for \$101.70 per night.

***June 21, 2014** — General Meeting and tour of Robinson Restoration and Service, 5210 Dakota Lane, Denton, 11:30-2:30. Meal provided by RRS with members bring sides and desserts. After the meeting, go to Denton town square for sightseeing, home-made ice cream and some shopping. POC is Dave Eckberg.

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August 2015. The Motor City Region CLC will be hosting a National Driving Tour in conjunction with the Woodward Dream Cruise. Their driving tour will take place during the week leading up to the official 'show' day.

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Pate Swap Meet

By Lifer, parts adapted from other sources

Every year since around 1972 the North Texas Region of the Cadillac & LaSalle club has met with 16 other antique car clubs to do their duty at the Pate Swap Meet, now at the Dallas Motor Speedway. Actually it is more than that to the members of the clubs, and as a member of the NTXCLC, I see what is so special to our club in particular. But first, a brief background.

The Pate Swap Meet, third largest swap meets in the country, has more than a quarter of a century of history of auto swap meets and is recognized internationally for its diversity of automotive products offered by its vendors. Vendors from across the country will fill the vast acreage on the west side of the speedway with everything automotive -- from cars to hard-to-find car parts and related items. It is also the fund raising effort of seventeen Texas represented automobile clubs. The clubs share in the profits earned from the effort to create this fine swap meet.

Originally it was called the South Central Swap Meet, starting in 1972. It was organized by Barney Calvert of the Gulf Coast Region AACA out of Houston with five other car clubs. Aggie Pate, President of the Texas Refinery Company that owned an employee recreation ranch south west of Fort Worth, also housed his private automobile collection called the Pate Museum of Transportation. The first swap meet was held in a rough semi-circle under the trees across from the Museum with about three hundred and fifty vendors. The Houston Club was quickly joined by sixteen other like organizations in Texas. Monte Hannah was our club Pate representative for the early years.

Old timers still remember that everyone stopped to talk with Mr. Pate each year as he sat on the porch of the Museum. They still laugh about packing their rubber boots each year for Pate - a very necessary item (always mud and April rains). After Mr. Pate's passing, the meet was renamed in his honor, however, it was always known as the Pate Swap Meet. From its inception, it was decided that the Swap Meet would begin on the last Thursday in April, and continue through the weekend, always missing any conflict with the Easter holiday and while still in cooler weather before the Texas heat kicked in. The meet continued in this ole' muddy cow pasture until the ranch was sold in 1997. After that the swap meet was held on the parking lot of the Dallas Motor Speedway, just north of Ft. Worth and the Alliance business airport. The new location has better access, better showers, pavement (less mud), and many modern conveniences. These facilities provide ample parking for all visitors to the swap meet, easy access to and from Interstate 35, unlimited space for camper parking during the event, and a vast amount of paved space for the swap meet to expand in the future. There are now over 8,000 vendor spaces sold, and it is still growing.

First of all, there is the matter of duty. Many of you joined this club for technical expertise in the workings and restoration of your collection of cars. Or you joined for the opportunity to have a venue to show off and display these fine cars in your collection. All that is good, and is exactly what is the foundation of the club. But in order to serve the membership body well, with those things it wants as a club, there are some obligations of service or duty we need to consider. By coming out to the Pate Swap Meet site on the set-up days, Saturday being the big set-up day, and coming out on the swap meet operational days to help man the club's tent and display, and then by coming out on the Sunday tear-down day, you have a venue to participate in and for the club, and also enjoy yourself doing it.

Additionally, there is the social aspect of helping out at Pate. You get to meet and work with our members, and in some cases, some members of the other clubs, depending on their duties and presence. Making and having friends within the club and other clubs is one of the joys of membership, and who knows, you might obtain a vehicle that is not a Cadillac or a LaSalle and want to also join that vehicle's heraldry club.

Ok, then there is the fun. That's right, fun. I have been out to Pate for my first four years in the club and I have met lots of people for here and there and everywhere, discussed membership in the club, marked, sorted, carried, laid and picked up swap space tile markers, helped mark the streets and rows, worked the NTXCLC tent, shown off my Eldorado, roamed all over the site (it's a BIG site) visiting the myriad of vendors from all over the country, browsed the big car corral for a possible purchase, took pictures, and had a whooping good time while out there.

And all of this translates to something really special. Memories of a good time and fellowship that I will remember for many years. Some of these memories are quite exciting, thanks to the crazy weather we have here in Texas. And some of the memories are of the new people I met.

So, as a member of the NTXCLC club you need to do yourself a big favor. Plan on spending some time out at Pate with the other club members and helping out, enjoying the adventure, and having some fun in the Texas sunshine. On set-up day many members bring their current pride-and-joy vehicle out to our area to show it off because there is plenty of spacious parking and few people to bother the vehicle. We start at 9:30 and are usually done by 2pm. On the meet's operational days -- Thursday through Sunday morning, members come out to help at our tent and discuss membership in the club with swap meet visitors, or maybe work at one of the three gates to count attendance. A few even show off their cars near the tent (free parking...). While you are there you have ample opportunity to roam the vendors, the car corral, the auction, and just be part of the action. Tear down starts around noon, lasts a few hours, and is lots of work, but same benefits as the set up day.

In the end, the 17 clubs share the profits of the proceeds, and monies are distributed to the club's treasuries based on membership. That is one of the reasons we are so high on recruiting. Its dollars to us for our efforts.

I hope I have stimulated for you an excitement about Pate. Now, if you haven't signed up already, email Neil Jefferson, the NTXCLC Pate Director at neiljefferson@att.net right now and let him know your coming. This will help us plan better when we know who is attending.

Kruzin 4 Kids Car Show

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North Texas Region Cadillac & LaSalle Club members will also participate in a General Membership Meeting while we are at the show. Ya'all shine up your favorite Cadillac or LaSalle and come on out for this charity car show. There is no fee, but donations are very welcome.

April 2014



CADILLAC & LASALLE CLUB, NORTH TEXAS REGION

17TH Texas Annual Inter-Regional Meet

SALADO, TEXAS May 29, 30, 31, June 1, 2014

REGISTRATION

Name (Print) for name tag _____

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Send this page and your check (payable to NTXCLC) to: Bill Haesslein, 5744 Caracas Drive, North Richland Hills, TX 76180 817-428-1204 (Home) 817-703-5157 (Cell)

Questions about events: **Rubye Musser, Chairperson, (817) 996-8066**

NTXCLC 17TH Texas Annual Inter-Regional Meet, Salado, TX May 29, 30, 31, June 1, 2014**Activity Schedule - Thursday, May 29, 2014**

For NTXCLC members: meet with Rubye and other NTXCLC members at McDonalds, Eastchase 30 @ 9:30 am. Other meet caravan in Cleburne, I 35 exit 174 heading toward Meridian



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Begin back roads to Salado driving tour-----. continue thru Cleburne south on 174 to Meridian ---turn left onto highway 6, continue on 6 to Valley Mills, going straight thru to 317, follow 317 south to Belton- turn onto highway to I 35, south to Salado. Hospitality room opens at 4 pm or when we get there.

Towns traveling through: Cleburne to Rio Vista -----junkyard to Morgan to Meridian, Clifton to Valley Mills to Crawford, the town near George Bush ranch, Crawford to McGregor to see historic mansions, Ferguson Distribution Center, Niemeier Feed & Grain, and farm & ranch supply.

Activity Schedule - Friday, May 30, 2014

Rise and Shine for a great drive that our cars are made for, driving to tour with a guide- Heading to the museum and Fort Hood. You must have your drivers license, proof of insurance and vehicle registration to show at visitors center for a temp tag.

"You Are in the Army now" Lunch on your own at the mess hall (has been reserved for us to come between 1130 and 1300)



Around 1400 or 1430 (2 or 2:30) will leave Ft. Hood for return trip down scenic back roads.

Salado Inn -----show shine view and kick tires (non judging) while women go shopping - lots of antique shops

Around dinner time we do a short scenic drive to Walburg German Restaurant in Walburg, Tx 6:00 pm dinner buffet \$17.50, then party in the Biergarten.

Activity Schedule - Saturday, May 30, 2014

We do an enjoyable back roads tour for the day.

Then in the evening a special dinner and some fun at the famous Stagecoach Inn Restaurant. You will not want to miss their special desert-a Strawberry Kiss.



Cruisin and Ramblin Caddies

Hello Fellow Cadillac & LaSalle Members;

WE ARE NOW UPON OUR MOST IMPORTANT MONTH OF OUR CLUB YEAR

So pick up your calendars and post the Pate days of your volunteering to work. April 19 at 9:30 for Set Up, and then during the week on the 24, 25, 26 you could volunteer for 4 hours at the club's tent. Then on Sunday at noon we begin our Tear Down. MANY HANDS MAKE SHORT WORK of a task. Remember when you joined you were told this is how the club makes its operating money for the year. This provides for the activities such as the Regional meet in October, the club's Christmas party, and the newsletter.

SO PLEASE COME DO YOUR SHARE!

If you missed the General Meeting and Pot Luck lunch you missed some real treats. At the General Meeting, those attending agreed that to obtain new members we all must do our share in. We now have new membership forms for you to hand out. So obtain yours from board of directors. Remember, the one who gets the most new members will receive a prize at the Christmas party. We discussed ideas for increasing membership and we, the Club want to travel to outlying towns to have a membership meeting over a hamburger or hotdog to entice new members to come and find out about THE CADILLAC CLUB'S purpose.

So on that thought, I have or will encourage a meeting or drive to McKinney May 10 for a car show. Then we want to go toward the east such as Jefferson, Marshall or Longview, maybe near Lufkin, south and west like Weatherford or Gainesville. So, we need you to speak up and help.

We then asked for a couple to volunteers each month to help with the activity for that month, please. Your club needs some volunteers for committees.

We want someone interested in getting the youth involved again. Remember, at one time Gerry Terranova started this (which is held at National now) and we gave two scholarships during this time. We need to have this active again. Our Youth are our salvation. If we get young members involved this will be our best growth power and some new blood for a new board.

We are needing a PHONE COMMITTEE, and we consider this very important. Richard Cross is checking into a automated phone call reminder to remind members of meetings and events.

Then next item was wear your name badge either with your car on it or one that is given to you when you joined by Bill Haesslein to each meeting, or if you do not, you will pay a \$1.00 fine to the kitty.

Judging--- the club has received a CD to be used by the club on points for judging

Next and Most Urgent after Pate is----- our Club is host to INTERREGIONAL MEET.

This is planned and set in Salado TX, May 29, 30 31. We will be headquartered at the very famous Stage Coach Inn. We will be honored by guest Jim Coy, our National Regional Director. Plus you can earn points toward your National Driving Badge!!! So we will we hope CLC members from other states as our guest also. This has been offered by our National VP of Technology Dave Rubin. Remember that this Badge was started and offered 1st time at our NATIONAL DRIVING Tour in the Panhandle.

SO COME ON LETS HEAD OUR TO SALADO AFTER PATE!!!!

Call me if you need assistance in participating.

Rubye

Activity Director

Many of our members have not obtained their North Texas Region Cadillac & LaSalle Club personal magnetic name tag. They be made up with a picture of your favorite car, or with the club logo. The cost of these name tags is \$10.00 each, and we want everyone to have and wear them.

In the future we want all members to wear their name tags at club meets and tours. Otherwise you may owe the kitty \$1.00. So remember to bring and wear them. Order your name tags from Bill Levy, lifer@writeme.com



Thanks You so much for attending the Cadillac & LaSalle meeting and Pot Luck. We had a very delicious meal and enjoyable time visiting. We did have a informative discussion, so feel even though we were few that we accomplished a number of things. Just wish we would have had better attendance as we need to spread the word better. Thanks for all for spending time with us
 Rubye Musser, Bill Levy, Neil Jefferson, Dave Eckberg, Terry Graham, Bill Haesslein, Ned and Karen Hannah, Bob Musser, Richard Cross, Karen Phillips and our special guest, Barry McKeown

Rubye

For membership information— Contact Bill Haesslein at billhsln@airmail.net

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: Bill Haesslein

Welcome New Members:

Benjamin Pena 620 Geller Rd, Ferris, TX 75125



There are 17 car clubs that manage the Pate Swap Meet each year. If every member of the North Texas Region Cadillac & LaSalle club recruited just one new member each, we would be the biggest club in the swap meet. Remember, the member count, beside meaning a more fun and interesting club, gets the club a bigger share of the Pate income.

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SUNSHINE REPORT: Rubye Musser

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We wish all a speedy recovery. PRAY

- Gerry Terranova
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- Cecil Thompson
- Beverly Terranova
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- Al Gitelman
- Bill Haesslein
- Buddie Walton

If I missed anyone ,please notify me
We wish all the very Best of Health

Rubye



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April 5, May 3 Cars and Coffee, 8am – Noon. Get there NLT 7:15 for a reserved spot on **Cadillac Row** as the big lot fills up fast after 6:45 am. It has been so popular the gates are closed to new traffic at 7:15 am. So get there early. 6800 Dallas Parkway, Plano TX 75024. Email lifer@writeme.com if you have any questions.



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