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Robinson Restoration Visit

Story by Rubye Hubbard Musser, Photos by Rubye and Lifer

For the month of June Dave and Kathy Eckberg arranged a technical tour for the North TEXAS region Cadillac & La-Salle Club. The twenty-four members of NTXCLC had a wonderful time visiting Tracy Robinson and his staff of the Robinson Restoration Shop, Denton, Texas. The shop had almost one of every kind of cars in some form of restoration that we feasted our eyes upon. We thank Dave & Kathy Eckberg for arranging and hosting our June event with Tracy Robinson

Robinson Restoration provided the club members with delicious box lunches.



Joey Peacock, shop manager and Eddie Grube, body and paint manager, gave an informative talk and discussion about some of their work and answered some interesting restoration questions for the crowd.



Afterwards we convoyed our Cadillacs and LaSalles to the Denton Historical Town Square. There we enjoyed walking among the old buildings and shops had some very fine ice cream.

Thank You Robinson and Eckbergs for great day!

Rubye

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2nd Caravan To Ham's Peach Orchard

SATURDAY - AUGUST 2 10 AM and Dallas 11:50 AM

We are going to Hams Orchard at 11939 County Rd 309--Hiway 80, east of Dallas to Terrell, Texas.

I hope we can meet and caravan there. So let us make an early afternoon before it gets too hot and have a nice drive and fun cruising down-- to the Peach Orchard. 10 miles from Dallas, 75 from Ft. Worth.

Our caravan begins by us meeting in Ft Worth at the Eastchase McDonalds, Eastchase, Parkway, just south of I30, and leaving promptly at 10:00 AM pm. We head out I30 eastbound, go east on US. 80 and drop of the 80. This should be around 11:50 to 12:00 pm. We will adds the Dallas cars to the caravan and head west on US 80. Drive east on US. 80 to Terrell for PEACH Ice Cream at Hams Orchard and maybe see couple of trains . You could have lunch there they have Hamburgers and BBQ sandwiches. For shopping, the TANGER Outlet Mall is close by in Forney. and also Antique Shops Call Rubye 817-996-8066 to let her know where you are meeting the club caravan.

For those brave soles not wanting to meet in Ft. Worth, wait for the caravan at the McDonalds (south side of US. 80) at Belt Line Road and US. 80. Should see us a bit before 12:00 pm.

It can be a Fun Outing and get those cars out on the road. They have not been out much lately.

Just got back from the GRAND NATIONAL so more coming later.



Activities Director's Calendar

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

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Also worth noting: Sept 23-27 2014 National Driving Tour Kokomo, Ind to Hickory Corners, MI. Gilmore event. Grand Opening 9/28.

June 24-27 2015 Cadillac & LaSalle Club Grand National, Milwaukee, WI.

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.

REAL CRITICAL: The club needs volunteers for a Nominating Committee to obtain officer and director candidates for the Regional Meet in November. RE-MEMBER, this is your club. Help get the person voted in that you would like to see on the Board. We need for each of you to step up

Rubye

One Piece At A Time

Songwriters KEMP, WAYNE

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Well, I left Kentucky back in '49 An' went to Detroit workin' on a 'sembly line The first year they had me puttin' wheels on cadillacs

Every day I'd watch them beauties roll by And sometimes I'd hang my head and cry 'Cause I always wanted me one that was long and black.

One day I devised myself a plan That should be the envy of most any man I'd sneak it out of there in a lunchbox in my hand Now gettin' caught meant gettin' fired But I figured I'd have it all by the time I retired I'd have me a car worth at least a hundred grand.

[CHORUS]

I'd get it one piece at a time And it wouldn't cost me a dime You'll know it's me when I come through your town I'm gonna ride around in style I'm gonna drive everybody wild 'Cause I'll have the only one there is a round.

So the very next day when I punched in With my big lunchbox and with help from my friends I left that day with a lunch box full of gears Now, I never considered myself a thief GM wouldn't miss just one little piece Especially if I strung it out over several years.

The first day I got me a fuel pump And the next day I got me an engine and a trunk Then I got me a transmission and all of the chrome The little things I could get in my big lunchbox Like nuts, an' bolts, and all four shocks But the big stuff we snuck out in my buddy's mobile home.

Now, up to now my plan went all right 'Til we tried to put it all together one night And that's when we noticed that something was definitely wrong.

The transmission was a '53 And the motor turned out to be a '73 And when we tried to put in the bolts all the holes were gone.

So we drilled it out so that it would fit And with a little bit of help with an A-daptor kit We had that engine runnin' just like a song Now the headlight' was another sight We had two on the left and one on the right But when we pulled out the switch all three of 'em come on. The back end looked kinda funny too But we put it together and when we got thru Well, that's when we noticed that we only had one tail-fin About that time my wife walked out And I could see in her eyes that she had her doubts But she opened the door and said "Honey, take me for a spin."

So we drove up town just to get the tags And I headed her right on down main drag I could hear everybody laughin' for blocks around But up there at the court house they didn't laugh 'Cause to type it up it took the whole staff And when they got through the title weighed sixty pounds.

[CHORUS]

I got it one piece at a time And it didn't cost me a dime You'll know it's me when I come through your town I'm gonna ride around in style I'm gonna drive everybody wild 'Cause I'll have the only one there is around.

[Spoken] Ugh! Yow, RED RYDER This is the COTTON MOUTH In the PSYCHO-BILLY CADILLAC Come on

Huh, This is the COTTON MOUTH And negatory on the cost of this mow-chine there RED RY-DER You might say I went right up to the factory And picked it up, it's cheaper that way Ugh!, what model is it? Well, it's a fortynine, fifty, fifty one, fifty two, fifty three, fifty four, fifty five, fifty six, fifty seven, fifty eight, fifty nine automobile! It's a sixty, sixty one, sixty two, sixty three, sixty four, sixty five, sixty six, sixty seven, sixty eight, sixty nine, seventy automobile

Johnny Cash One Piece At A Time



Web Site Merit Award





Congratulations Minnie Bedrick on your second year of the Web Site Merit Award.

Book Nook

Cadillac Convertibles 1949-1969

Set aside an hour or two for Don Narus' *Cadillac Convertibles 1949-1969* because you are not going to get anything else done.

The author chronicles the drop-tops from Cadillac during this period in a picture and caption format. Besides production models, dream cars, show cars, and one-offs are included.

The strength of this soft-cover book consists of the 227 black and white photos that are a blend of original factory prints as well as restored and survivor cars. Images highlight front and back ends, dashboards, seats, and interesting nuances. Numerous extra close-up views provide details that would be impossible to come by elsewhere.

The historian begins each chapter with an overview of styling changes. Rounding out chapters is a specification page that includes wheelbases, engines, prices, and production figures.

If you want to be informed and entertained about Cadillac soft-tops, then order a copy from <u>www.newalbanybooks.com</u> for \$22.95 plus \$3.99 shipping.

- Michael Petti

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Cowtown Cruisin' for a Cure 20134



This is the 13th Annual presentation of this show. The North Texas Region Cadillac & LaSalle Club has a reserved a curb for our display. We need your Cadillacs and your LaSalles for this worthwhile show in downtown Ft. Worth. The NTXCLC considers this an important participation, and you get, in return, a t-shirt, a sponsor's goodie bag, and a chance to show that we care.

Mail your registration check of \$35.00, payable to NTXCLC to: Bill Levy, 206 Turnberry Lane, Coppell, TX 75019; or Neil Jefferson, 816 Creekline Way, McKinney, TX 75070.

(All fees are considered donations and are tax deductible. Tax ID# 330998003)

We need your name, address, phone, T shirt size, are you a prostrate survivor Y/N, and car-year and model. Please respond by July 15 if possible so we can track the car count. Space is tight in Ft. Worth and we don't want to miss out by not claiming our curb in time.

Please do not register on line—we need to track the names and the number of participants for the club.

Note: The show runs officially from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00m p.m. Gates open at 6:00 a.m. Be there by 9:00 a.m. Many of us have been getting to our spot early and making a fine breakfast get-together at 8:00 a.m. as part of the memories of the day.



Looking Back

LEADERSHIP RESTS ON ACHIEVEMENT

Cadillac was first to use the 90 degree v-type engine

Nowhere has Cadillac's leadership been more consistently maintained than in the design and construction of its engines. . . . Nineteen years ago, Cadillac committed itself to the V-type engine principle by introducing the first 90-degree V-type power plant ever used in an automobile. During all the years since, Cadillac has held to this principle without a single interruptionand has become, by viewe of this experience, the acknowledged authority on the V-type engine. ... This face becomes of the unmost significance when it is recalled that engines with more than eight cylinders are impractical with any other design. Thus, in the multi-cylinder field, Cadillac obviously stands alone in its ability to design and conseruct power planes. . . . You sense this leadership the moment you drive a modern Cadillac or LaSalle. For in no other cars are the engines so smooth, so quiet, or so generally satisfactory in their performance. La Salle list prices begin at \$2245, Cadillac at \$2695, f. o. b. Detroit. Liberal G. M. A. C. terms may be arranged on any model.





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1941 Cadillac Convertible Coupe Older restoration looks great, but needs tender care. Owned since 1966. Car located in

Keller, TX. Otis Welch 817-428-8717 otwelch@gmail.com .(July)

Parts needed:

1984 Sedan DeVille Dvr side Fender, and bumper filler tween tail lght and qrtr pnl Barbara Miller 214-664-5158

Classified Ads – for 3 months Members: free, and Non-members -\$35 for three lines for three months. \$50 for ad with photo. No credit for early cancellation. For additional rates contact Rubye Musser at 817 996-8066

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

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: Bill Haesslein

Welcome New Members:

Hazel And Ed Widenmaier Saanichton Bc V8m In5

Mark Schmitz, Copper Canyon, TX



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	2014 NTXCLC OFFICERS
Please to continue to Pray for rain, our soldiers, veter- ans and our unfortunate members. We wish all better health and speedy recovery.	President: Rubye Musser (817) 996-8066 rubyemusser@yahoo.com Vice President: Jim Warren fordcoupeman@hotmail.com Secretary: Terry Graham
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Happy Birthday to all having birthdays this month.	Pate Director Assistant: Bill Levy

We wish to send our belated sympathy go Steve Chapman on the death of his wife Hilda . She had been ill for some time suffering with cancer.





Hilda Harbin Chapman, 72, of

Waxahachie, Texas passed away peacefully surrounded by her loving family on Feb. 13, 2014 after a long and brave fight with cancer. She is survived by her devoted husband of 50 years, Steven Franklin Chapman.

Hilda was born in Waxahachie on Aug. 10, 1941 and was the only child of Lena and James Harbin. After graduating from Waxahachie High School, she attended and graduated from Southern Methodist University, where she was a member of Zeta Tau Alpha sorority. Hilda married her childhood friend and college sweetheart, Steve, in 1964. She then began her career teaching school, but soon devoted her life to raising her family.

Hilda was preceded in death by her parents. She is survived by her husband Steve; son, James Steven Chapman and wife, Melissa; daughter, Jill Diann Chapman, and grandchildren, Sumner Austin and Sloane Avery Smith, all of Waxahachie.

Historians: Randoll and Joyce Reagan, John Foust

Directors: Minnie Bedrick, Ron Fishell, Jim Hanson



Club Dues -- National Dues

We want to remind everyone that CLC National Dues starting in 2014 is \$40.00. Checks for National Dues should be made payable to CLC, Inc. and mailed to Cadillac & LaSalle Club, INC., PO Box 360835, Columbus, OH 43236-0835

National sends out a dues renewal notice on your anniversary date with National, That date is printed on the address label on back cover of the Self-Starter. Our club dues (NTXCLC) continue to be \$20 and checks should be made payable to NTXCLC and mailed to Bill Haesslein.

On occasion, a member will submit their National dues with our club dues to us. If we don't receive separate checks, we must deposit the check and then write and mail one of our club checks to National. Separate checks save time and postage

Some of you all did not know Hilda, but I did meet her when I first joined. She was very active with the clubs. Due to health problems in last years NTX has not seen her and husband, Steve, at many functions. Hilda and Steve have been members of the Cadillac LaSalle Club since the 1960. Their primary activity was with the Classic Car Club of America (CCCA) where she was heavily involved in activities and organizing many car club functions and Grand

Classics.

Rubye







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