

The monthly newsletter of the  
Rocky Mountain Region Cadillac & LaSalle Club



# The Dagmar

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**February 2011**



## **Brunch is Coming! By Harry Tiffany and Jim Salmi**

The 2011 membership brunch will start the new activities season this month. After a vote of the attending members at our regular December meeting, it was decided to have another brunch at Mount Vernon Country Club. Harry Tiffany will be our host again this year. Here are the current details:

**DATE:** *Sunday, February 27*

**TIME:** *10:30 am to 12:30 pm or so.*

**PLACE:** *Mount Vernon Country Club*

**COST:** *\$21.00 per person (\$11.00 children under 11 years old)*

**NON-REFUNDABLE checks only, payable to "RMRLC". Please get your checks in by February 23 to:**

**Jim Salmi  
RMRLC  
2856 South Steele Street  
Denver, CO 80210**

The price shown will include tax, gratuity, and beverage including coffee, tea, and juice. It does not include alcoholic drinks or soft drinks.

The menu will include sliced roast beef, ham, chicken and a seafood dish, as well as eggs, bacon, sausage, waffles, and

fruit and salad stations.

Coats and ties for men are NOT required for brunch. A dress shirt and slacks (no jeans) will work. You ladies always know what works for you.

We are hoping to see lots of people we haven't seen in the past, so please try to remember to wear your name badge if you have one.

Mount Vernon C.C. is located at 24933 Clubhouse Circle; Golden, CO. Take I-70 to Exit 254. At the top of the ramp (stop sign), make a right turn onto South Mount Vernon Country Club Road. Continue in a more or less northerly direction until you get to (plain old) Mount Vernon Country Club Road. Take a right and follow MVCCR until it turns into Club House Circle, which loops around to the front entrance. You will see the clubhouse and parking area. The rest is self-explanatory. Mapquest.com has a pretty good map of the area.

If you have any questions, contact Jim Salmi (jcsalmi@gmail.com or 303-758-8930).



## **Director's Column** **By John Serfling**

Our first event for the year is just a few weeks away. We will be heading to the Mt. Vernon Country Club once again for a lovely Sunday Brunch. Please look for details elsewhere in the Dagmar. I couldn't make it last year, but everyone tells me that a good time was had by all. I have it on my calendar for this year.

Progress is being made on plans for a road trip this summer. John Cullinan is spearheading a group looking into a trip to Laramie and Saratoga, WY. I have driven through Saratoga, but never stopped. It turns out that it is quite a place. I have ventured into the Snowy Range, just outside Laramie. It is a pretty drive, although not quite as spectacular as the Colorado Rockies. Look for information about this trip in the near future, once details are nailed down. Initial information is on page 6 of this issue. If you have any suggestions for John, I'm sure he would appreciate hearing them.

The Board of Directors has proposed that our Region send \$2500 to the Cadillac

and LaSalle Club Museum and Research Center (CLCMRC). Several articles about the Museum have appeared in the Self Starter. Requests for contributions have been mailed to the membership too. If we give the money to the CLCMRC, it will be matched 100% by the CLC, so the contribution would be \$5000. The Board feels that this is an important enough issue to ask for membership input. Your approval will be requested at the February meeting. If you have an opinion on the donation, please come to the meeting and voice it. A majority of members present at the meeting is all that is necessary for approval.

It is a shame I didn't get motivated to work on the Eldorado until January. Now it is too cold and I'm really not motivated. It only needs a little work: a new left front wheel bearing, a right front upper ball joint and a new windshield wiper motor. Each of these will take me several days to take apart and put back together, so perhaps the cold weather is just an excuse for not tackling the jobs yet. Why do today what you can put off until tomorrow? That kind of philosophy can get you in trouble when dealing

with an old car.

For those of you who have been paying attention to the grapevine, I would like to report that I am in fine health once again. In December I had a bit of a scare concerning my heart, but after the doctors punched a bunch of holes in my legs and sent five catheters into my heart, killing cells that were causing problems, they told me that I am the picture of health and can do anything I want to do. Thanks to all of you for your well wishes and prayers for me. They worked!



## They're Watching Us! By Jim Salmi

While reading my January 30 issue of Old Cars Weekly, I came across a short blurb by Gerald Perschbacher, in his "Club Clips" section, about our garage tour last year to Keith and Eileen Carpenter's house. The Carpenters showed us their Tucker, one of their Fascinations, their nine Kaiser Darrins, and a few other cars besides. Mr. Perschbacher apparently saw the Fascination at the 2010 Fall Hershey and found it equally, well, fascinating. He ends his article by saying, "I never expected this touring story to appear in a regional publication on Cadillacs and LaSalles, so it was an exceptional surprise and treat. It also proves that car hobbyists can respect and appreciate various makes (and



oddities) beyond their favored badge." Of course we can. Just because we drive Cadillacs doesn't make us snooty, does it?

For those who aren't familiar with Old Cars Weekly, it is a

fun publication with many articles on cars, petroliana, technical issues, auction results, vintage advertising, salvage yards, classified ads, and on and on. Their website is [www.oldcarsweekly.com](http://www.oldcarsweekly.com)





## **Annual Christmas Crusade for Children** *By Walt Brewer*

The 26th Annual Christmas Crusade for Children has now come and gone and the RMRCLC was again very significant. Over 30 law enforcement agencies from the metro area, KYGO, and K-Mart were involved in the program this year.

Recipient children are located and nominated by street officers that learn of the need in the course of their regular duties. They may learn of the child's need from requests for welfare checks, victims of crimes, deaths in the family, loss of employment, homeless situations, domestic violence issues, the arrest of parents, and many other situations too numerous to mention.

In all cases the children are innocent victims and are in need of outside help to be able to enjoy the Christmas spirit. All the gifts are delivered by uniformed officers and therefore present police officers as positive figures in their lives. It is community policing at its best.

Some children obtain individual sponsors who then take care of a specific child with the aid of the nominating officer. Our donations are used to purchase gifts from a "wish list" that the officers obtain in person from children who did not get individual sponsors. This year there were approximately 1900 such children in this category.

The shopping day was Monday 12/20/10 and was held at the K-Mart at Alameda and Broadway. K-Mart, by the way, really stretched out our dol-

lars. The store was filled with officers from all over the area as well as a few certified volunteers, of which Phyllis & I were part of.

The children were aged up to 14 years old and it is amazing how many "wish lists" were for clothing, blankets, and other comfort items rather than toys or games. Many asked for items that they could give to another family member, feeling that their need was greater than their own. One 12 year old boy had the chore of changing and cleaning diapers from his infant brother, and he asked for some disposable diapers so that he would have fewer cloth diapers to clean and change. The mother is a single mom with 4 children. Her husband had been killed by a DUI hit & run driver.

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Our donation, when joined by others, made a better Christmas for over 80 of these children. The check was presented to the Crusade via Police Chaplain Manny Hayes and was presented at a ceremony at the Bear Valley Cop Shop by several volunteers and District Commander Joe Montoya.

**Express Yourself**  
*By David Leger*

Hi folks. This is your editor asking you to share your stories and pictures with the club. If you have a memory of a car in your past, jot it down in an email or letter and I'll try to run it in The Dagmar. If you have an amusing anecdote about car troubles in the past, send it on to me.

If you have a favorite picture of a Cadillac, or an interesting one, email it to me. If you don't have a digital copy, I can scan it for you.

Do you have pointers about restoration, or how you solved a vexing issue with one of your cars? Share it with your fellow club members!

Do you have an auto related shop in Colorado that you have good things to say about? Drop me a note and we can clue everyone in.

Have you ever been out and about and seen something that just said 'now you don't see that every day'? Maybe you see a new CTS Coupe parked near a 1960 Coupe, or a LaSalle sitting in the woods. Grab your cell phone and snap



a picture. You can text it to me.

Remember, The Dagmar is your newsletter, the more you provide, the better publication it will be. Go out there and share!

As for these pictures, well this car would be perfect for couples who can never agree on which way to go!

I was driving to Rock

Springs, Wyoming to attend my aunt and uncle's 50th anniversary and spotted this unique 1955 Cadillac at a service station in Rawlins, Wyoming. I imagine it would cause quite a stir, especially on the highway if you were behind it and noticed suddenly that it was pointed your way in the lane ahead of you!



## **2011 Summer Driving Tour—Wyoming Railroads and Ranches** *By John Cullinan*

This year the RMRCLC members will have the opportunity to participate in our 2011 summer tour as we travel from Denver to Cheyenne, spend one night in Laramie and two nights at the Saratoga Inn in Saratoga, Wyoming.

The date of departure for the tour will be Thursday, August 18th. We will drive to Cheyenne to visit some of the railroad related sites there and a couple of special museums. After we finish our visit to Cheyenne, we will drive on the Lincoln Highway to Laramie where we will spend the night. Friday morning and early afternoon we will visit sites such as the Territorial Prison, and the Iverson Mansion and the Museum of the Plains.

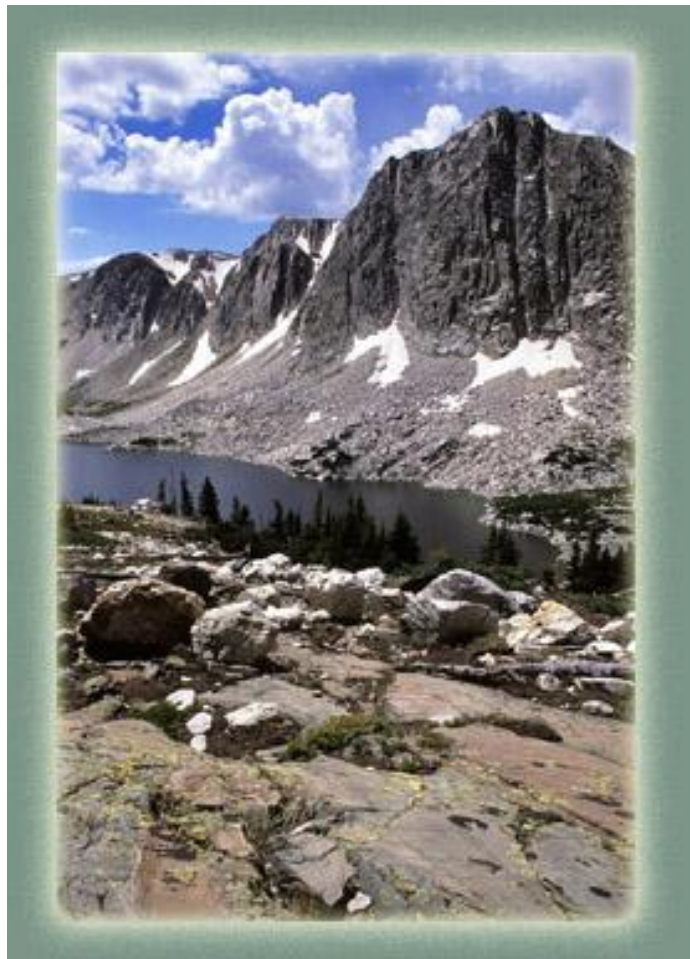
We will caravan from Laramie to Saratoga where we will stay at the Saratoga Inn for two nights. The Saratoga Inn is a special place and the town of Saratoga is a step back in time. There are no chain restaurants and no chain motels. The Inn has 5 natural hot springs pools in the courtyard, a brew pub on site, a restaurant and spa, racket sports, golf and fishing. Blue ribbon trout waters flow through the Inn's 208 acres. The Saratoga Valley was once considered one of the three best hunting regions in the world by English aristocrats and members of parliament who hunted, resided and ranched there in the 1860's

through the 1890's. The Library of Parliament has many documents and papers written by English Lords referencing hunting trips in the region, trips that lasted 6 months. The 2 other areas rated as the best three hunting areas were in India and central Africa.

After our two day stay in Saratoga, I recommend we all drive together over the scenic Snowy Range Pass back to Centennial, Wyoming, on our way to highway 287, which will takes us home to Denver. The Snowy Range Route has been listed among the top 10 scenic routes in the West. I will let you decide for your self when you join us for our 2011 Summer Tour.

We will be sending out an email to all members with the room pricing and the reservation numbers to call to reserve a room. If you do not have a computer or email address, call me at 303-738-3981 to learn how to reserve your room. We will have 20 rooms set aside for our club. But the response I am receiving to this tour may mean we have to get more rooms.

This will be a very enjoyable tour to areas we may have quickly driven through but have not explored. Get ready for a Good Ole Western Adventure.



**Coming next month—the St. Patrick’s Day Parade!**



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## ***A Note From Our Web Master***

Check out the YouTube video at the bottom of the Pictures page at [www.rmrlc.com](http://www.rmrlc.com). This month it is about the 2011 CTS-V Sport Wagon. Clay Dean, Cadillac Design Director talks about this cool new car. If you find a YouTube video you like relating to Cadillac or LaSalle and you want others to see it, let me know and I will put it up on the site.  
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John Henry  
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**Balance Sheet-2010**  
As of December 31, 2010

	<u>Dec 31, 10</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>	
<b>Current Assets</b>	
<b>Checking/Savings</b>	
<b>Cash</b>	
<b>CD</b>	12,746.23
<b>Guaranty Bank checking</b>	3,145.09
<b>Total Cash</b>	<u>15,891.32</u>
<b>Total Checking/Savings</b>	<u>15,891.32</u>
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<u>15,891.32</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<u><u>15,891.32</u></u>
<b>LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	
<b>Liabilities</b>	
<b>Current Liabilities</b>	
<b>Other Current Liabilities</b>	
<b>National Dues</b>	65.00
<b>Total Other Current Liabilities</b>	<u>65.00</u>
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<u>65.00</u>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	65.00
<b>Equity</b>	
<b>Retained Earnings</b>	16,573.34
<b>Net Income</b>	<u>-747.02</u>
<b>Total Equity</b>	<u>15,826.32</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<u><u>15,891.32</u></u>

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### Rocky Mountain Region CLC 2011 Proposed Activities

(as of January 19, 2011)

<b>Proposed Activities:</b>	<b>Leader:</b>	<b>Date:</b>
Members Brunch (Mt. Vernon C.C.)	Harry Tiffany	Feb 27
St. Pat's Parade	J. Salmi	Mar 12
Dust & Shine at Forney	Tom Orton	Apr 9
Shepler's BPOC Show	N/A	May 21
Memorial Day Parade	J. Salmi	May 28
Havana Cruise	Open	June 18
Fourth of July parade (Georgetown)	Open	July 4
Golden Cruise	Brad Bauer	Aug 6
Grand National	N/A	Aug 10-13
Wyoming Railroads & Ranches Tour	John Cullinan	Aug 18-21
Labor Day Parade (Louisville)	Open	Sep 5
Regional Meet/McCaddon Cadillac	Open	Open
Colfax Cruise/picnic @ East High School	Open	Sep 17
Veterans Day Parade	J. Salmi	Nov 7
Shelby American Museum Tour	Nancy Tucker	TBD
Golden Triangle Dealership Tour	Washburn/Salmi	TBD
Under Consideration:		
Stanley Museum-Estes Park	Open	TBD
Dougherty Museum	Open	TBD
Celestial Seasonings/ Leaning Tree Museum	Open	TBD
Hammond Candy Factory Tour	Open	TBD

## Other Events

### OTHER CAR RELATED ACTIVITIES (Not RMRCLC Events)

Other car related activities, as published in Old Cars Weekly, Hemmings, OCCC,  
 Denver Post or from other sources. Please verify accuracy before attending.

Feb 5-6 Denver, CO Tri-State Swap Meet, National Western Complex,  
 4655 Humboldt St., Denver; [www.tristateswapmeet.com](http://www.tristateswapmeet.com)

Mar 5 Loveland, CO Specialty Auto Auction, Larimer County Fairgrounds,  
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Apr 23 Brighton, CO Specialty Auto Auction, Adams County Fairgrounds,  
[www.saaasinc.com](http://www.saaasinc.com)

Jul ?? Denver, CO Specialty Auto Auction, Time and Place TBD

Oct 15 Loveland, CO Specialty Auto Auction, Larimer County Fairgrounds  
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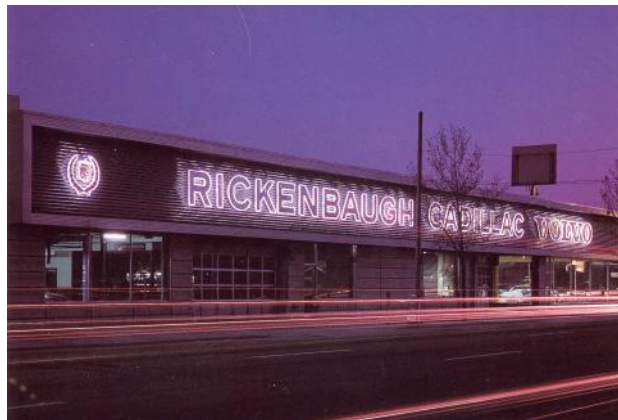
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