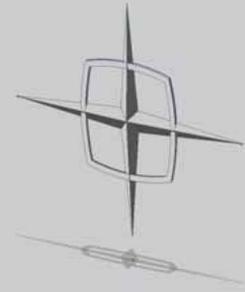




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Director's Message:

Upcoming Events

Spring Opener
May 6 and 7
in Rhinebeck, NY

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Dear Fellow Members of MAR,

On behalf of all the members of MAR, I want to thank Garry Morton for his service to MAR as our director for the past several years. While there have been some changes in our MAR officers positions, we retain continuity. Anyone who wishes to take on a future role as an officer should share their interest with one of us.

Spring is taking its time to bring us the warm days without snow that we remember, but the Rhinebeck Show on May 7th will be here soon. There is no conflict with Mother's Day and the weather is promised to cooperate, so a nice turnout is anticipated. Since the show is really a weekend event, some may come on Saturday. If you do, please let me know so that we can get together for a night out before the Sunday Antiques and Classics Show. More information is at www.rhinebeckcarshow.com.

As your director, I attended the LCOC Annual Meeting in January in San Antonio, Texas. Details of the meeting will appear in the Lincoln Comments.

It was good to reconnect with many of the Directors of other regions from across the country who are working hard to maintain our LCOC.

One very important thing to note is this year's celebration of the **100th Anniversary of the Lincoln Motor Car Company** and the meet planned in August in Hickory Corners. Please see my comments on p.7.

The second note is that a new improved LCOC website is being launched. Perhaps by the time we gather in Rhinebeck there will be plenty to discuss about it.

Some members already know that at the Annual Meeting I volunteered MAR to host the Eastern Regional LCOC Meet in 2019. Additional thoughts are in the newsletter and I hope that I can count on you for your support. We have a lot to be proud of and to share in our MAR region.

I look forward to seeing and talking with you at Rhinebeck.
Owen T. Clarke Jr., Director

*"Don't find fault. Find a remedy. "
Henry Ford*

Message from your editor, Linda Clarke

The Hudson River Valley Antique Auto Association Show in Rhinebeck is a well-attended, well run show. Many exceptional vehicles are in attendance for your viewing. You will not be disappointed! We hope to see you there.

Linda Clarke, Editor

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President Johnson's Continental at the LBJ Ranch. Each year he was known to have a new white convertible with camel interior to ride around his ranch.

Vintage MAR

There are many books dedicated to Lincoln automobiles. In an effort to have our members share their favorite titles so we may consider adding to our own resource libraries, I am going to list four that I have and encourage members to send me an e mail to list others that you recommend.



1. The Hemmings Book of Lincolns features 1928 to 1969 special reports
2. Lincoln Continental 1961-1969 Brooklands Books Compiled by R.M. Clarke (includes articles from Motor Trend, Road & Track, Auto Topics, Car and Driver and others)
3. The Lincoln Motor Car Sixty Years of Excellence by Thomas E. Bonsall. This one is an absolutely must have book. The best resource that I have ever seen.
4. The Lincoln Continental by OCee Ritch Motorbooks International 1974

Please send me your favorite titles — Owen Clarke - clarketrustee@msn.com

MAR QUIZ

Which Lincoln was shorter but weighed more?



The 1961 Lincoln Continental Convertible or the

1958 Lincoln Continental Mark III? (Answer on p. 7)

Hudson River Valley Spring Opener in Rhinebeck May 6-7

An exceptional show is held annually at the Dutchess County Fairgrounds in Rhinebeck, N.Y. the first weekend in May. Six local car clubs are involved in coordinating this event. If you have attended in prior years you know that it draws a great turn out and many travel a distance to attend this show.

We have our own line for Lincolns on Sunday and usually get around twenty + cars. It has a good swap meet and car corral as well. **Classics are on Sunday** but the show begins on Friday afternoon at noon with the swap meet followed by Rods and Customs on Saturday. **If some of us are in town on Saturday night May 6th, we can get together for dinner at Guido's restaurant in Kingston at 7:30 pm** and order from the menu. All MAR members are invited to attend if you are in town Saturday evening but in order to make a reservation and sit together, we need to know if you plan on attending. **RSVP to Linda or Owen** if you plan to go to Guido's: princpallinda@msn.com or call 845 889-8891 or text Owen at 914 474 7055.

For information about show car registration contact Joe at 845-876-3554 between 6-9 PM only or check their website at www.rhinebeckcarshow.com

ELECTION RESULTS

CONGRATULATIONS George, Owen and Pat

George Caswell, Owen Clarke and Pat Arcieri were each elected to a three year term ending in 2019 Thank you to all who returned your ballots and your dues for 2017. If you haven't sent in your dues, please do so ASAP.

The Lone Star LCOC Region was the host region for the Annual LCOC Board Meeting in San Antonio and several of its members chauffeured the attendees to and from the airport in their classic Lincolns. A special thanks goes to Tom Wizda (1979 Mark V) and Craig Adams (1969 sedan) pictured with their Lincolns for their special efforts to donate their time to drive the attendees in classic Lincoln style! It was delightful. Other drivers were Jeff Brecht and Pat Corbett. Thank you to all in the Lone Star region for being such great hosts.



Year End Treasurer's Report Mid Atlantic Region

The new Treasurer for 2017 is Pat Arcieri. This report is compiled by Owen Clarke, Jr., previous treasurer.

REVENUE

Collection of dues	850.00
Interest received	4.44
Project Sales	43.00
Donation	100.00
Bank Adjustment **	<u>20.00</u>
Total Revenue	\$ 1,017.44

EXPENSES

Newsletter Printing (4 issues)	520.08
Postage	190.40
Summer Picnic contribution	100.00
Mills Car Show registration	100.00
Annual Meeting stipend	<u>200.00</u>
Total Expenses	\$1,110.78

Year End Treasury Balance \$8,545.33

Footnotes:

** We received an adjustment from Wells Fargo Bank based on their audit and adjustment of a prior deposit.

Thank you to one of our loyal members from upstate NY for his additional contribution. It is one of the many contributions that he has made to MAR that helps our club.

President Johnson was known to drive this car right into the river on his ranch and pretend that his brakes failed. It was really an "Amphicar" much to the surprise of the unknowing passenger! The amphicar was marketed in the U.S from 1961-1967 and made in Germany until 1965.



Post Holiday Gathering

We had a great time meeting in New Jersey in January thanks to the planning of our post holiday event by Nick DeSpirito. Thank you Nick! The weekend began with a dinner hosted by Nick and his family at his home in Wayne, NJ. It was good food and good company. We had the extra bonus of seeing great views of Christmas lights in his pretty, hilly neighborhood and Nick always has his own beautiful large Christmas tree in his home this time of year! On Saturday, in spite of the snow, some of us braved the weather to go into NYC to the 9/11 Memorial. Thankfully we were driven by a capable driver and all who could attend the Saturday trip could fit into one large limo. We were dropped off near the Memorial and then picked up and returned to the hotel. As you can see by the outside photo of our group, it was snowing very hard that day. Personally, I was so moved by the thoughtful exhibits and the total experience at this Memorial. I was glad that I was emotionally ready to finally visit this site and pay tribute to those who lost their lives on 9/11. It is a day that I will never forget. On the wall in one of the exhibits is a very fitting quote that says " No day shall erase you from the memory of time." Let us never forget.

On Saturday night we had dinner at a fabulous restaurant, The Paris Inn, that Nick selected. The food and the service was outstanding. However, the best part was meeting two new couples from New Jersey that I had not met before. We met Michael and MaryEtta Downing from Mt.Tabor and Ray and Margaret Faure from West Milford. That is one of the reasons to hold events in different towns in our large geographic region. However, we always appreciate those that travel a distance like George and Diane Caswell who drove from Rhode Island to attend and returned home to a hefty snowfall.



2016 Mid Atlantic Region Calendar of Events

- May 6-7 First Weekend in May — Hudson River Valley Antique Auto Show, Rhinebeck, NY Dutchess Co. Fairgrounds (see p.3)
- July 14-16 Hot Rods and Classics Show at NYS Fairgrounds Syracuse, NY
- July/August Looking for a volunteer for a summer gathering
- August 9-13 Lincoln Homecoming at Hickory Corners, Michigan
Celebrating the 100th Anniversary of the Lincoln Motor Car
- October 15 Third Sunday in October— Gathering of Old Cars
at Mills Estate in Staatsburg, NY
- December/January Winter Holiday Gathering TBD

-Ideas or suggestions for future events, please speak to Owen Clarke

LCOC Eastern National Meet 2019

The Mid Atlantic Region of the LCOC will celebrate its **60th year** in 2019!!

The last time that MAR hosted a meet was in 2009. We put on an exceptional meet in Lancaster and many remember the work it involved. As a member of a region, I think it is important that we all try working together to support this effort. Details will follow in future issues of the Lincoln Observers of our progress. The *Historic Hudson Valley* will be our theme. Tours and visits to historic sites will be part of our meet activities.

Right now we are looking for volunteers and ideas from our members. What have you enjoyed at other meets that you have attended? Please share your comments with Linda at principallinda@msn.com and note in your subject line that it is for "MAR".

Thank you in advance for your help and support to make this future event another great meet that we can be proud of as we celebrate our anniversary, our region and our shared interest in Lincolns. Owen Clarke

Classified Ads

Please submit classified ads for the next issue of the Observer by 6/10. They are published free of charge for MAR LCOC members.

No classified ads submitted for this issue.

The 100th Anniversary of the Lincoln Motor Company

August 9th to August 13th

Please do not delay in making your reservations if you intend to go to this event at Hickory Corners, Michigan. Tours fill up quickly so do not delay. It is the Fourth Annual Lincoln Homecoming and all four Lincoln Clubs will sponsor this event. If you really love Lincolns and are able to attend, this is the event NOT to be missed. More details can be found in Lincoln Comments or on the website.

Answer to MAR QUIZ

Although the 1961 convertible was over a foot shorter than the 1958 Continental, it weighed approximately 400 pounds more.

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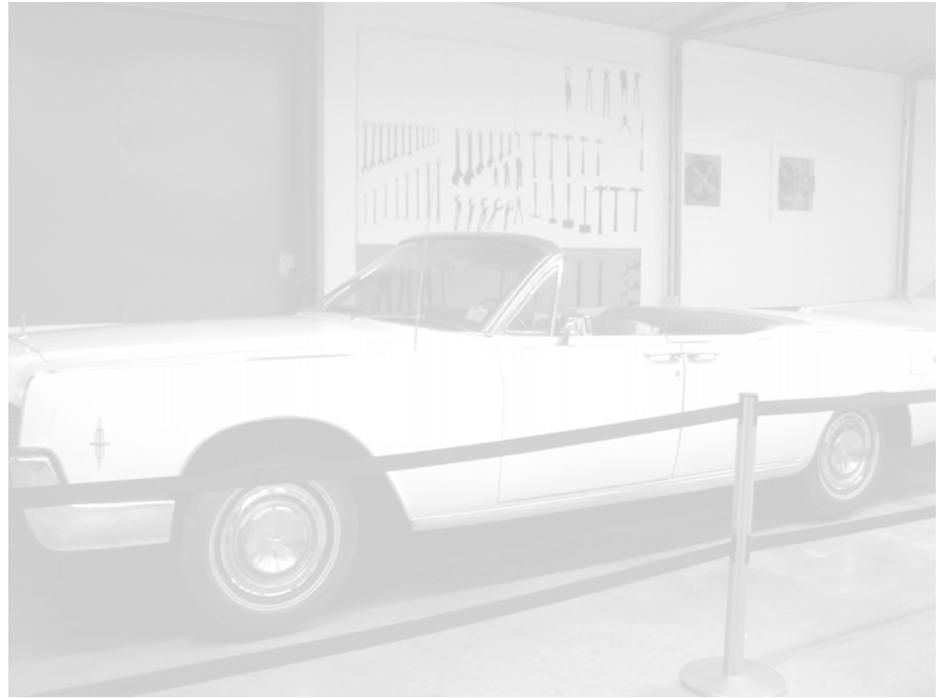
At Large

- Nick DeSpirito '17
- Garry Morton '17
- Robert Yurick '17
- Joe Armstrong '18
- Jim Dunn '18
- Allan Wilcox '18
- Geoge Caswell '19
- Owen Clarke '19
- Pat Arcieri '19

Directors serve for a 3 yr. term

Membership Secretary
position is voluntary.

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Please return your 2017 dues to

Robert Yurick, Membership Secretary

**If you have already sent in your dues,
thank you.**



Mid Atlantic Region



58th Year

Spring Opener in Rhinebeck Sunday May 7th

Will you be attending this year?

