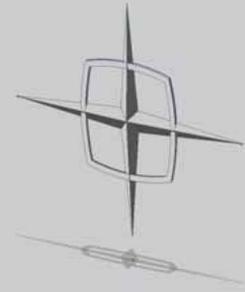




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Director's Message:

Upcoming Events

Mills Estate October 15
"Gathering of Old Cars"
August 20th "On the Road"

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Dear Fellow Members of MAR, I would like to wish you a very safe summer filled with many happy moments as you drive your Lincolns and Continentals.

The October "Gathering of Old Cars" at Mills Mansion, with the dinner after at Linda's and my home, will allow some time for a planning meeting for the 2019 Eastern National Meet to be hosted by our region, MAR. I am looking for this to be a spectacular meet.

There are three very good reasons that I feel this event has significant importance to us. First, it displays excellent planning and hospitality to others that MAR can host the Eastern National after taking a ten-year sabbatical from hosting in 2009. Second, with good planning, we should be able to attract other Lincoln Continental owners to join our region. Once a sponsor/buddy system is organized, our membership should grow.

Third, it will be our 60th year anniversary as a region. We can be proud to celebrate this very important landmark of the founding of our Mid Atlantic Region!

If you cannot make the Mills Show, I still ask for your support as we work together as a club. I appreciate the comments that I have received thus far. You can call or e mail me at any time with your comments and suggestions.

Looking forward to seeing you in August or October at our next gatherings,

Owen T. Clarke, Director, MAR



**See p. 4 for information about
"On the Road With Our Lincolns"
Sunday August 20th**

Message from your editor, Linda Clarke

It is always good to receive comments from our MAR Members and it was especially good to get a note from William and Alice Caldwell. Bill writes, *"It hardly seems possible that 58 years have passed since the start of the Mid Atlantic Region of the LCOC. My interest in cars has changed to be an observer and not a participant. We have recently moved from Virginia to a retirement community in Falmouth, Maine. We still enjoy reading the "Continental Observer."*

Thank you Bill, for your note and for the notification of your change of address. We are very glad to hear from you. We are also glad that you still enjoy reading the Observer and thank you for all your contributions to found and support MAR over the years.

Linda Clarke, Editor

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Vintage MAR

Thank you to Gregg D. Merksamer for responding to the previous Continental Observer request which asked for members to help build a reference library for Lincolns. He submitted the following title:

The Cars of Lincoln Mercury by George H. Dammann & James K. Wager published by Crestline Publishing in 1987

Please send me your names of books to add to our reference list.

Thank you.

Owen Clarke - clarketrustee@msn.com



MAR QUIZ

In what year, during the 1960's, did the gas filling location get moved? From where to where on the automobile?



Answer on p. 7

Rhinebeck Hudson River Valley Antique Auto Show

For the second year in a row, the weather did not cooperate for the Spring Opener in Rhinebeck. The overall attendance was down from prior years. In fact, it was the lowest it has been in about twenty years in the history of this show. It is unfortunate because Rhinebeck is a great site and there are usually so many good vendors as well as many, many beautiful cars. If you were still able to cruise the vendor areas, you were able to find some real treasures. Thanks to those who did make the trip in spite of the weather and to the judges who tightly held onto the judging sheets so that they did not blow away as they were recording the scores! Maybe it was an omen, but dinner at Guido's the night before was even noisier than usual. The food was very good but we will pick a quieter place for dinner next year. We already have a place in mind.

So do remember that on a good day, (or even a fair day) the Rhinebeck show is a great Spring event to be enjoyed. Please keep it on your calendar for the first weekend in May in 2018. We are overdue for a nice weekend.

Here are a few photos of some of the beautiful Lincolns from Rhinebeck 2017:



Can you join us for a drive on SUNDAY AUGUST 20th?

If you live in southern NY, the metropolitan NYC area, or northern NJ, can you join us for a scenic drive on Seven Lakes Drive? We will meet in **Sloatsburg, NY** near Harriman State Park, parallel to the NY Thruway at Dunkin Doughnuts—address **59 Orange Turnpike (Rt.17)** at **10:00 AM**. This DD is in a small mall with 3 to 4 stores (not scenic here but convenient). From there we will drive to **Bear Mountain State Park via Seven Lakes Drive**. It is a nice, pretty drive around 20 miles. We will end at the parking lot at the Bear Mountain Inn. It costs \$10.00 to park.

You can eat at the Blue Roof Restaurant/Bar without a reservation. We may have to wait a bit because it is crowded in the park on Sundays but it is easier since we do not know how many will join the drive. They do offer a brunch buffet on Sundays which requires reservations in advance. You can bring your own lunch and picnic if you wish. There is a merry go round and a small zoo if you feel like taking a walk before you drive home. The park itself is over 5,000 acres. Sometimes you see Appalachian trail hikers!

This is an opportunity to take a tour in your Lincoln (or in a modern vehicle if you choose) with other Lincoln owners. Please RSVP to Linda (home 845-889-8891) or Owen (cell 914-474-7055) so we know to expect you.

LCOC Membership

As a member of MAR, you may have asked, how many members are there in the LCOC? The latest report which only identifies National Members, states that there are 2,455 members. MAR as you may know, is made up of several full states and some partial regions of states. For example, New Jersey states that there are 67 members, but some may belong to the Philadelphia Region. Not all National Members join a region. There are 91 New Yorkers who belong to the National LCOC, but that number does not come close to our MAR New York membership. Connecticut has 31 members, Rhode Island has 12 members. MAR also has members in Pennsylvania and in Massachusetts as well.

The reason for reciting these numbers is to ask and to thank those who identify Lincoln Car Owners who may want to join. I still have several free National Memberships to give out, so if you find someone, send me an email to Clarketrustee@msn.com.

Owen T. Clarke, Jr.

MAR WELCOMES NEW MEMBER

We are pleased to welcome Paul B. Wilson as a member to the MAR family. Paul is not a stranger to those who have attended the Rhinebeck Show over the years. They say, "the apple does not fall far from the tree." Paul learned from one of the best. His late father was a true Lincoln enthusiast from near the creation of the Mid Atlantic Region. Paul lives in Waldwick, N.J. and drives a beautiful dark green 1940 Zephyr that we got to see at Rhinebeck this year.



Paul at Rhinebeck

MAR PROJECTS

For many years, Anne and Bob O'Hara handled the "decal sales" for MAR. I attempted to take that over, with little experience, but now our newest member, Paul B. Wilson has agreed to take over. The inventory of decals has now been passed to Paul. Requests can be sent to:

Paul B. Wilson
36 Rustic Drive
Waldwick, NJ 07463 (His cell phone is 201-481-4401)

What is left of the MAR project inventory are T-shirts that I will continue to sell. A recent order was placed for 10 Lincoln Slabside T-shirts. It was the first order that I have gotten in the last three years so you can see that they don't fly off the shelf. The inventory will be totally liquidated at the 2019 Eastern National Meet that MAR will be hosting. So if you want one, call me now, a bargain at \$2.00 each. Owen T. Clarke, Jr.

2017 Mid Atlantic Region Calendar of Events

July 14—16 Hot Rods and Classics Show at NYS Fairgrounds Syracuse, NY

August 9-13 Lincoln Homecoming at Hickory Corners, Michigan

Celebrating the 100th Anniversary of the Lincoln Motor Car

(If you are going to the Lincoln Homecoming, please share some photos with me for the next Observer! Thanks, LBC)

August 20 Lincolns on the Road beginning in Sloatsburg, NY (see p. 4)

October 15 Third Sunday in October— Gathering of Old Cars
at Mills Estate in Staatsburg, NY

(Followed by dinner at the Clarkes and planning meeting.)

Post Holiday event TBA

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

Treasurer's Report

There has been no drastic change in our balance of our account since the last report. Considering the need to have some seed money for our 2019 Eastern National Meet, I am confident that MAR will have solid footing to host the event.

Pat Arcieri, Treasurer

Classified Ads

Please submit classified ads for the next issue of the Observer by 9/10. They are published free of charge for MAR LCOC members.

FOR SALE:

1941 Lincoln Continental Coupe

1953 Lincoln Capri Convertible

Contact Owen Clarke — clarketrustee@msn.com

MAR QUIZ Answer

In 1964 the gas filling point was moved from the rear to the side of the car.

Here is a chance to win an All-New Lincoln Continental

To be raffled at the annual Lincoln Homecoming at the
Lincoln Motor Car Heritage Museum on 8/12/17

Get your raffle ticket at www.lmcfaffle.org

or call 616-662-7473 (M-F 11 to 4 EST)

Only 4,000 tickets will be sold.

Tickets are \$50.00 each (US)

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*We had quite a storm pass through the
area on the Friday of the Rhinebeck
weekend as evidenced by the large tree
that went down at the Vanderbilt estate
in Hyde Park.*

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58th Year

*We hope to see you in August and/or October
at our next MAR events*