



LINCOLN LINK

Newsletter of the MidWest Region of the Lincoln & Continental Owners Club

MESSAGE FROM THE MIDWEST REGION DIRECTOR

It's so hot you could fry an egg on the hood of that beautiful black Lincoln today! Glad we don't have any Region Meetings going on. Just got back from Alaska (70 degrees) to (102 degrees) in St. Louis Area!! Anyway as long as the air conditioning keeps going I can keep writing.



John Lower



Boss Cafe



Members visiting before lunch



Members cars at Boss Cafe

Our first meeting was held in Clinton, MO, which is not too far from the Kansas City Area. A nice group of our members showed up for lunch and meeting at the Boss Café. The food was great and the service was excellent. After lunch we went to see the downtown Desoto Showroom of Jim A Raysik. These cars are showcased in a restored old Chrysler Plymouth Showroom, which was built in the 50's. Jim is a modern day era dealer, but this 50's dealership looks quite real. In my opinion this was the best collection of low mileage original cars I have ever seen. There were about 75 cars here dating from the 20's to the 70's.

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Rare, 1934 Desoto Air Flow Coupe

The Dapkus pictures again show our members enjoying their time together with our favorite subject cars! Note the very rare 34 DeSoto Airflow coupe.



Beautiful Chrysler

While we were at our Clinton meeting the Dutton Auction was going on in Lincoln, NE. Unfortunately our meeting was planned before the auction was announced so some of our members had to make a choice. The auction went well and a brief summary is included for your information, pictures by Morrie Andres of Czad, Nebraska.



Cars at Downtown Desoto dealership of Jim Raysik



Cars at old dealership



Members viewing the old cars in Clinton

Dutton Auction Sales Details:

1967 Continental Convertible	\$27,500.00
1966 Continental Convertible	\$25,500.00
1964 Continental Convertible	\$25,000.00
1963 Continental Convertible	\$26,250.00
1962 Continental Convertible	\$20,000.00
1961 Continental Convertible	\$21,000.00
1948 Continental Cabriolet.....	\$65,000.00
1948 Continental Coupe	\$26,000.00
1956 Contiental Mark II	\$74,000.00
1967 Lincoln Limo	\$15,000.00
1985 Lincoln Limo	\$11,000.00

There were lots of great parts, a fire truck, 28 Ford Model A Truck that Mr Dutton's father had purchased new. The rumor that circulated after the sale was the gentlemen who bought the 1948 Continental Cabriolet returned it to Mr. Dutton because the Duttons had allowed him to live at their home while he was in college. He has since become a very successful business man and this was his way to thank the Duttons.



Pictures from Dutton Sale



LCOC MIDWEST REGION MEETING



Virgil Meints and Paul Branham

Springfield, Illinois was the host to the Saturday, July 14 meeting of the LCOC Midwest Region. The members in attendance met in the morning at the Abraham Lincoln Capital Airport in the private hangar area to view the Dick Levi collection of vintage and special interest automobiles and motorcycles.



The automobiles included a variety of classics and muscle cars. The classics were highlighted by a 1947 Cadillac convertible, 1931 Chrysler Roadster, Model T's and a Model A. The muscle lovers appreciated a variety of Corvettes, a 1957 Thunderbird, Dodge Viper, Ferrari and a 2005 Ford GT.

Perhaps one of the most examined vehicles was the big and black 2005 Ford F650 pickup truck. This diesel monster created a lot of conversation along with its cousin, a Ford F250-HD Harley Davidson pickup.

The motorcycle collection boasted a stunning display of Harley's from 1992 to 2007 and a pair of 60's Hondas, one the restored bike Dick Levi had as a youngster.



Following the viewing of these vehicles, plus two of the citation corporate jets in the hangar, the group caravanned to the Dublin Pub for the business and luncheon part of the meeting. The caravan consisted of many outstanding Lincolns, the most notable of which was M.A. Wildhagen's black '47 Continental convertible. The Lincoln driven the farthest to the meeting was a 1979 Town Car owned by Virgil and Mary Meints of Lincoln, Nebraska.



After the luncheon, John Lower conducted the region's business meeting. He outlined planned activities for the Region for the remainder of the year and discussed the national meeting in September in the Chicago area. John also encouraged everyone to vote in the upcoming national election.

Jerry Seibert gave the group an overview of the historical sites of Springfield, most which center around the life of our country's 16th president, Abraham Lincoln. Seibert encouraged everyone to visit the Lincoln Presidential Museum in downtown Springfield. He indicated it is a world-class facility with many high tech presentations of Lincoln and his family's life.



Bruce Wilson & John Lower



Dick Levi's Corporate Jets



Lunch and meeting at Dublin Pub



The Midwest Region meeting held in Illinois on July 14th was a project put together by our board member Jerry Seibert in Springfield, Illinois. The details and pictures will be covered by Jerry later in this news letter. *It was a great day, Thanks, Jerry.*



The beautiful Hall County Courthouse in Grand Island, Nebraska

The September meeting will be held in Grand Island, Nebraska on September 29th and is being hosted by Brian Gardner and Dan Brown. Remember what a great job they did on the Rt. 30 Lincoln Highway trip in 2005' This year its just as great and they will be sending out the meeting notice 30 days prior. A brief description of the plans are as follows for the September meeting:

Stuhr Museum is very comprehensive and has more than 100 structures on 200 acres with four restored homes, including the birthplace of Henry Fonda. Features an



Stuhr Museum

1890's railroad town with a rail display and depot, Antique farm machinery display and an Auto Collection. Reconstructed Pawnee Indian earth lodge is also on display. We will have lunch at this location. In the afternoon we will motorcade to Aurora to view the 60 car collection of Harvey Bish. More details will be forthcoming with the Meeting Notice.

We have six new members since our last news letter - please welcome: **Harry and Karen Morgan** from Jacksonville, Illinois with their 1996 Blue Continental Sedan; **Marvin and Tricia Ire**y from Topeka, Kansas and their 1941 Lincoln Continental Coupe; **Don Wieseler** from Fordyce, Nebraska and his 1956 Mark II; **Troy Pohlman** from Wildwood, Missouri and his 1948 Lincoln Continental Coupe; **Clifford and Shirley Greenwalt** from Springfield, Illinois and their Pace Car yellow 48 Continental Convertible and our newest members **Jim and Mary Taylor** from Coffeyville, Kansas and their 1969 Mark III, Glad to have these new members on board and hope to see them at a future meeting.

Haven't heard if any of our Members had cars at the Eastern Meet in Philadelphia in June or at the Western Meet in Seattle, Washington in August!. We will check this out and mention it in the next news letter. Don't forget the Mid-America Meet at Itaska, Illinois on September 5-9. Hope to see you there.



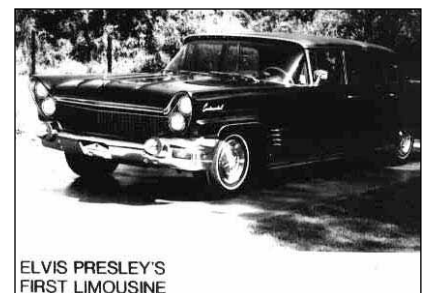
Graceland

Finally, don't forget our Annual Meeting and Holiday Party near Memphis Tennessee on November 17, 2007. We will be visiting Graceland and the Presley Collection.

*Continental*ly yours,



John



**ELVIS PRESLEY'S
FIRST LIMOUSINE**

Elvis' Lincoln Limousine

Classifieds

If you or someone you know has a Lincoln or parts for sale, or are looking for a Lincoln or parts, please call John Lower to place a free ad in our newsletter.



FOR SALE - 1948 Lincoln Continental two-door sedan, black with burgundy leather interior. Rebuilt V-12, runs and drives well, 3 speed manual transmissions (overdrive currently not operable), power windows. For other information or more pictures email dennise@combar.com or call Dennis Ehmke at 636-939-5956 MO

FOR SALE - Two Show Ready Lincolns - 1977 Williamsburg Town Car - 1687 Original Miles (not a misprint) Incredible original survivor car - best offer. 1979 Town Coupe - 65,331 original Miles (that look more like 6,531 miles). Has been meticulously maintained in the 21 years I've owned it. Best offer. Please call owner Fred Carlson evenings and weekends or leave a message at (785) 539-1893.



FOR SALE - 2004 Lincoln LS ,V8 Engine, Leather Interior, Moonroof, Full Digital Display, 51,000 original miles, like new. \$17,500.00 O.B.O. Pete Dapkus (636) 227 5339



FREE tour of the United States Air Force Museum will be our featured Thursday excursion.



FREE tours of Capitol Square and the Ohio Theatre featuring the Robert Morton Theatre Pipe Organ

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Discovers Columbus

-Nothing Could Be Finer-

2008

Eastern National Meet

Columbus, Ohio - August 14-17, 2008

Hosted by Ohio Valley Region - More information forthcoming



2008 LCOC NATIONAL MEETS



MID-AMERICA NATIONAL MEET

hosted by the
North Star Region
June 26-29, 2008
Duluth, Minnesota

EASTERN NATIONAL MEET

hosted by the
Ohio Valley Region
August 14-17 2008
Columbus, Ohio



WESTERN NATIONAL MEET

hosted by the
Western Region
October 8-11, 2008
Irvine, California