

## My Pride and Joy



Jon Wessel of Springfield, MO is the happy owner of this Mark IV

*Welcome to the Northstar News, the monthly publication of the Northstar Region of the Lincoln and Continental Owners Club. We value your opinions and appreciate your input concerning this newsletter and the operation of the club. This is your club.*

Part of my youth was spent in Tulsa, OK, when I was between 8 and 11 years old. Our house had a detached garage, and that was where my father stored his 1946 Lincoln cabriolet. Every time I would open the door and step into the garage, I was greeted by the sights and smells of that burgundy behemoth. A few years later, he owned a white Mark II. He grew up in the depression, and in those days, if you owned a Cadillac or a Lincoln, you were really someone in his eyes. Even though he was a successful Oldsmobile dealer for 38 years, he always had an eye for Cadillacs and Lincolns.

Much to his dismay, my interest was in muscle cars and motorcycles. I've owned many of both over the years. As I aged into my 50s, my interest started turning towards street rods and sedans. That's not totally surprising since I've owned a Mercury Marauder, Impala SS and several Crown Vic interceptors. The Cadillac versus Lincoln debate was a no-brainer to me, since I felt that Lincoln always edged out Cadillac in the style department. So in 2011, the search was on for a Lincoln. It didn't take long. I found a really nice 1972 Continental coupe. The car looked good and drove well, but I wanted something with more flair. My favorite Lincoln, the Mark II, is too snug of a fit for my 6'4" frame. I didn't want to go back to the '40s or '50s. I've always liked

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Members and guests are welcome to attend the Board Meetings which are held the *first* Thursday of every month except December at 7:00 PM at Culvers Restaurant, (dine with friends at 6:00PM) I-94 AND RUTH STREET, St. Paul.

Articles and other information for the newsletter should be sent to David Gustafson, Editor, at 308 Brandywine Drive, Burnsville, MN 55337.

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the lines of the Mark IV, and the 1972 model year is my favorite, primarily because of the front bumper. The search began for a Mark IV.

For whatever reason, it seems that the nice survivor cars are always brown or green, and I'm not a fan of either hue. So I was pleased when I ran across a 1972 Mark IV in white with a blue top and blue interior. It had 23,000 actual miles and was all original (not correct, *original*). The icing on the cake was the optional crossbar on the front bumper, which I like. I contacted the seller, we talked, he sent photos, and I made the decision to buy the car sight unseen. When it arrived in MO, I was pleased to see it was as described, with only a few rust bubbles under the vinyl top as the only real surprise. The factory paint looked great and the interior looked almost brand new. A fair amount of paperwork came with the car, including a history of the car written by one of the previous owners. Everyone who has owned the car before me has taken really good care of it and didn't drive it much.

I cleaned and polished on the Mark, and had some minor mechanical work done. The air conditioning didn't work right, and I had a Ford dealership work on it. They helped, but it still wasn't right. I'm still a hot rodder and tinkerer at heart, so the flat wheel covers had to go. I ordered some chrome wheels with a '60s vibe to them, and put the OEM wheel covers up in the attic. I joined the LCOC and learned of the Midwest meet in MN. Debbie and I decided we would go. A few days before we were to leave, the wheels came in, and the tire shop mounted up new tires. Unfortunately, the bolt pattern was wrong and the wheels wouldn't fit. The owner of the shop is a friend of mine. He knew I wanted wheels for my trip, and the new tires wouldn't fit the OEM wheels, so he loaned me some Mustang wheels and

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## Trivia from the Internet



History of the Slot Machine

*Sittman and Pitt of Brooklyn, New York, U.S. developed a gambling machine in 1891 which was a precursor to the modern slot machine. It contained five drums holding a total of 50 card faces and was based on poker. This machine proved extremely popular and soon many bars in the city had one or more of the machines. Players would insert a nickel and pull a lever, which would spin the drums and the cards they held, the player hoping for a good poker hand. There was no direct payout mechanism, so a pair of kings might get the player a free beer, whereas a royal flush could pay out cigars or drinks, the prizes wholly dependent on what was on offer at the local establishment. To make the odds better for the house, two cards were typically removed*

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## Editors Message

January was absolutely brutal. Hopefully, February will be better, at least we can hope so. The days do seem to be getting longer, and April is less than sixty days away. I was lucky, I spent a few days in Phoenix to attend the annual LCOC board of directors meeting. Virtually all the time was spent indoors, except for a couple of trips to restaurants near the hotel where we were staying. At least we knew that the outdoor temperatures were in the seventies... Change is slowly coming to our beloved LCOC. Our present membership is graying and we need to do things differently to attract younger members. We cannot continue to offer the same product to the public as that doesn't attract enough new members to keep the club economically viable. Our flagship offering, the "Continental Comments" is truly the premiere club publication out there. We will continue to work hard to make this magazine one of the best and interesting copy after copy. LCOC needs to get the word out to prospective members that the club is fun, interesting and a good place to come to meet people and make new friends. The regions have an important part in growing membership. Regions need to have a yearly plan of activities that most members want to attend. They also need to have a newsletter which is published on a regular basis that is also interesting and tells the story of the region and the membership. On the whole, we cannot continue to do the same things year after year and expect different results. Our efforts today will determine if there is a LCOC in ten to fifteen years.

Marion and I want to sincerely thank you for your very kind expressions of sympathy on the loss of our

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dear Faithie. It was very much appreciated and it did help us a great deal. We hope in time to find another one of these wonderful companions to come and live with us. When we do, you folks will be the first to know.

Ford is continuing to do well in sales. Each month they are selling more and more Fords and Lincolns. The MKZ's are a hot item in certain parts of the country and Lincoln is offering a updated Navigator, with the famed Ecoboost V6 engine under the hood. It does set a new standard for towing, 9,000 lbs. This should be a perfect vehicle for towing your enclosed trailer with your older classic Continental or Lincoln to LCOC shows. It will be available a little later in the model year. Take some time and go visit your local Ford Lincoln dealer and check out the new models. Go and pay a visit to Morris Ford Lincoln or North Country Ford Lincoln, our two favorite dealers here in the Twin Cities. Don't forget about the Xplan offer that Lincoln makes available to all members of the LCOC, which can save you a nice chunk of change on any new Ford product. If you are interested, contact Bob Johnson or your editor for more information.

Remember the potluck that we are having with the CCCA in February. Once again, it will be at the Firefighters Museum in Minneapolis. It is a very interesting place to visit, the exhibits are quite good and when you combine it with a good meal, fine friends and the auction, it surely will be much better than staying home and watching TV. Complete details are on the back page and it surely will be a lot of fun.

Until next month, David and Marion...



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from the deck: the ten of spades and the jack of hearts, which doubles the odds against winning a royal flush. The drums could also be rearranged to further reduce a player's chance of winning.

The first true slot machine was invented by Charles Fey of San Francisco, California, U.S., who devised a much simpler automatic mechanism. Most assert that Fey invented the machine in 1887, however some believe that he may have conceived the machine in 1895. Due to the vast number of possible wins with the original poker card based game, it proved practically impossible to come up with a way to make a machine capable of making an automatic payout for all possible winning combinations. Charles Fey devised a machine with three spinning reels containing a total of five symbols - horseshoes, diamonds, spades, hearts, and a Liberty Bell, which also gave the machine its name. By replacing ten cards with five symbols and using three reels instead of five drums, the complexity of reading a win was considerably reduced, allowing Fey to devise an effective automatic payout mechanism. Three bells in a row produced the biggest payoff, ten nickels (50¢). *Liberty Bell* was a huge suc-

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## *Directors Message by Bob Johnson*

*February 2014*

We have had enough of this white stuff, it is now time to start thinking of spring and getting our Lincolns ready for the summer. Just think, when you read this column it will only be 59 days to April 1, and the possibility of Spring arriving in Shafer. The below zero weather of January will be just a bad memory, and we will be anticipating all our warm weather activities. The imagination can be great, but the real world here in Shafer will be

cold for a while yet. Mary and I just got back from our trip to Phoenix, Arizona for the LCOC annual board meeting, on January 18. Details of this meeting will be in another part of the newsletter. It is great to get away for a time, but it is even better to be back home, as there is nothing like your own bed and familiar surroundings. We had dry roads out to Phoenix and back, but some pretty stiff crosswinds for most of our trip. We averaged 22.4 mpg for the 3,800 mile round trip and the Lincoln Town Car lived up to our expectations as a great road car.

As I write this column, about half our members have already renewed their 2014 North Star Membership. If you have NOT yet renewed, please do now to save the extra time and expense to remind you later.

The Lincoln Motor Car Foundation Museum dedication will be held this coming August 6 through August 10. Two additional days have been added to the event by Dennis Garrett who is planning this historic occasion which promises to be fun for all.

Rooms have been reserved at two hotels in Kalamazoo, Michigan for this event. The host hotel will be the Four Point by Sheraton, 269-385-3922 and an adjacent hotel, Holiday Inn Express, 269-373-0770. The room rate is \$99.00 plus tax includes two hot breakfasts. You must ask for the "**LINCOLN OWN**" rate. Call now, as rooms are limited. Please watch for the registration information packet, the first 200 registrants will receive a commemorative plaque.

Our first activity for 2014, was a Sunday brunch on January 12th at the Running Aces Harness Track. We had 26 members attend. The food and service were good and the price is very reasonable. Unfortunately, if we do not have 40 or more in attendance, we do not qualify for semi-private seating, and are seated with all the other Running Aces guests. This does restrict our ability to easily visit with other members, draw for door prizes and have a short meeting. Unless we can get our attendance numbers up, we may have to scratch Running Aces as a future Sunday brunch stop.

On Saturday, February 15, we have been invited by the CCCA to their 20th annual potluck and auction at **4:00 PM till 7:00 PM**, at the Firefighters Museum, 664 - 22 Avenue NE in Minneapolis. This museum is full of historical firefighting equipment and pictures depicting the history for over the past 100 years. Please bring a good potluck item to share, such as entree, hot dish, finger food, salad or dessert. The North Star Region shares 50 /50 in the auction that will also be held after dinner, so please bring a quality item to donate for the auction and your check book. This is a chance to meet more great people in

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cess and spawned a thriving mechanical gaming device industry. Even when the use of these gambling devices was banned in his home state after a few years, Fey still couldn't keep up with demand for the game elsewhere. Liberty Bell machine was so popular that it was copied by many slot machine manufacturers. Thus in 1907, manufacturer Herbert Mills from Chicago produced a slot machine called the Operator Bell. By 1908 lots of "bell" machines were installed in most cigar stores, saloons, bowling alleys, brothels and barber shops. The original Liberty Bell slot machine can still be seen at the Nevada State Museum in Carson City, Nevada.

Other early machines, such as the trade stimulator, gave out winnings in the form of fruit-flavoured chewing gums with pictures of the flavors as symbols on the reels. The popular cherry and melon symbols derive from this machine. The BAR symbol now common in slot machines was derived from an early logo of the Bell-Fruit Gum Company. The payment of food prizes was a commonly used technique to avoid laws against gambling

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## January Northstar Board Meeting

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

January 2, 2014

Regional Director Bob Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:47 PM at Culver's Restaurant in Maplewood MN. Board members present were Bob Johnson, Bob Roth, Bob Gavrilesco, Harvey Oberg, Dave Gustafson, Tom Brace, Dennis Owens and Roger Wothe. Other region members present were Gaye Purvis, Richard Eilers, Mary Johnson, Faye Oberg and Marion Gustafson. The minutes of the previous meeting and the agenda of this meeting were approved.

### DIRECTOR'S REPORTS

Regional Director Bob Johnson reviewed both the Region and National activities. The Mid America Meet will be held in Rockford IL September 17 - 21, 2014, Eastern National Meet in St. Pete Beach FL April 30 - May 4, 2014 (with no judging, only People's or Participant's Choice) and the Western National Meet in Tacoma, WA July 23 - 26 2014 and the Lincoln Museum at Hickory Corners, dedication August 6 - 9. 2014. Several ways of caravanning to the dedication should be discussed later.

Treasurer Harvey Oberg reported the treasury balance to be \$2,557.11.

Membership and Publications Director Dave Gustafson reported the current membership to be one hundred fifty-two. He will send the dues notices the following week. He continues to need "My Pride and Joy" articles.

Projects: Tom Brace will submit the artwork for a regional badge for a cost quotation for fifty and one hundred badges.

Activities: The next region activity is brunch at Running Aces, Sunday, January 12 at 11:30. Other activities may be found the *Northstar News*.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM. The next meeting will be Thursday, February 6, at Culver's Restaurant in Maplewood MN at 7:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Secretary Roger Wothe.

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in a number of states, and for this reason a number of gumball and other vending machines were regarded with mistrust by the courts. The two Iowa cases of *State v. Ellis* and *State v. Striggles* are both used in classes on criminal law to illustrate the concept of reliance upon authority as it relates to the axiomatic *ignorantia juris non excusat* ("Ignorance of the law is no excuse"). In these cases, a mint vending machine was declared to be a gambling device because by (internally manufactured) chance the machine would occasionally give the next user a number of tokens exchangeable for more candy. Despite the fact that the result of the next use would be displayed on the machine, both courts ruled that "The inducement for each play was the chance that by that play the machine would be set to indicate that it would pay checks on the following play. The thing that attracted the player was the chance that ultimately he would receive something for nothing. The machine appealed to the player's propensity to gamble, and that is [a] vice."

In 1963, Bally devel-

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## More Bob Johnson

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the old car hobby. RSVP to Webster Peterson, 612-804-9406 or email [webster.peterson@gmail.com](mailto:webster.peterson@gmail.com) by Saturday March 8 with the number of guests attending and what you are bringing for the potluck.

After a long run, Al Bakers, one of our favorites in Eagan was closed in early January, with plans to turn the property into something else. We plan on having our March (Sunday the 18th) brunch at the Machine Shed, 8515 Hudson Blvd N, just off highway 94 in Lake Elmo. Go North on Radio Drive/Inwood Ave N (County 13) Exit 250, turning right on Hudson Blvd and then another right. The Machine Shed is now part of the Holiday Inn Express that takes up the corner facing the freeway. Call Jay White to RSVP by March 13 at 952-432-5939 or email [jay@jwhiteandassoc.com](mailto:jay@jwhiteandassoc.com).

Winter is a time to work on our Lincolns and write "My Pride and Joy" articles about your fine Lincoln, for Dave Gustafson. We want to feature your Lincoln, but first you have to write the article, if you need help, Dave will help you in any way possible.

As always, keep the journey continuing in our marvelous Lincolns.

In spite of what you may think, Winter is very slowly coming to an end. The days are getting longer. On February 1, we will have 9 hours and 47 minutes of sunlight. By February 28, this increases to 11 hours and 5 minutes. On March 9th, we welcome daylight savings time. By the end of March, we will see 12 hours and 42 minutes of glorious sunlight. Rejoice, there are better days ahead.

## 2015 Navigator



Seven years is a long time. For the auto industry, though, seven years is an absolute eternity. Most vehicles receive clean-sheet redesigns within the span of seven years, usually getting a facelift of some sort after year three or four. Not Lincoln.

Nope, believe it or not, Lincoln has sold the same vehicle since 2007, adding little more than small mechanical tweaks or new paint options. Yes, we're talking about the Navigator, a full-size sport utility vehicle that hasn't felt fresh and competitive for a while. That's now changed, as Lincoln has finally given its SUV a facelift for model year 2015.

It hasn't changed dramatically, though. This is still a big, luxury-oriented SUV. It's a body-on-frame vehicle, designed to tow and relax in equal measure. After seeing it in person at a closed backgrounder ahead of its Chicago Auto Show debut, we're left wondering if maybe Lincoln still has any business playing in the realm of the Mercedes-Benz GL, Cadillac Escalade and Range Rover. You can make up your own mind on that front. But while you're doing that, have a look below at just what Lincoln has done to freshen the 2015 Navigator.

The big news for the Navigator comes under the hood. Gone is the 5.4-liter Triton V8 of the old model. In its place sits the familiar 3.5-liter Eco-

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oped the first fully electromechanical slot machine called *Money Honey*, although earlier machines such as the *High Hand* draw poker machine by Bally had exhibited the basics of electromechanical construction as early as 1940. The electromechanical approach of the 1960s allowed *Money Honey* to be the first slot machine with a bottomless hopper and automatic payout of up to 500 coins without the help of an attendant. The popularity of this machine led to the increasing predominance of electronic games, and the side lever soon became vestigial.

The first true video slot machine was developed in 1976 in an industrial suite in Kearney Mesa, CA by N. Cerrachio, R. Greene, W. Beckman, J. Reukes, and L. Black under the direction of the Las Vegas based Fortune Coin Co. This slot machine used a modified 19" Sony Trinitron color receiver for the display and logic boards for all slot machine functions. The prototype was mounted in a full size show-ready slot machine cabinet. The first production units went on trial in the Las Vegas Hilton Hotel. After some "cheat-proofing" modifications, the video slot machine was approved by the Nevada State Gaming Com-

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## 2014 LCOC Winter Board Meeting

By Bob Johnson

Three members of the North Star Region attended the Winter Board Meeting in Phoenix, Arizona, January 16 through 18, 2014. North Star Region Director, Bob Johnson; National Directors at Large, David Gustafson, and Dick Koop all served on several key committees. Also in attendance were North Star Members Mark and Jen Wheeler, of Cornerstone Registration LTD, who handle the LCOC national membership.

This year there were many changes due to Glenn Kramer retiring as Club President. John Talbourdet was elected as the new LCOC President, Bob Johnson moving up to Executive Vice President, Pat Corbett becoming the Vice President of Regions. Jack Shea continues as LCOC Treasurer, and Darren Klingler remains Secretary. Steve D'Ambrosia is our new Chief Judge, Mike Stortini is our new Chairman of Communications (Comments magazine), John McCarthy is our new National Membership Chairman, and Stacy Roscoe is our new Western Assistant Chief Judge.

Glenn Kramer was honored for his five years as LCOC President, his efforts have helped turn the club into a more compassionate, member friendly club, and helped create driving and touring classes. Glenn was made a lifetime member and Director Emeritus beginning in 2015 for his outstanding service to LCOC.

Thursday and Friday were reserved for 11 committee meetings to define action items for the Saturday board meeting. With each committee discussing and voting on agenda items, it made the board meeting flow in a smoother and organized manner.

Committees that met on Thursday and Friday were Custom Class, Judging Standards, Nominations/Elections, Technical Services, Finance, Trophies and Meets, Membership, Regions, Website, Publications and Museum Funding/Dedication. All participants tried to attend all committee meetings so they could be well informed on actions and reasons for all agenda items.

LCOC Treasurer Jack Shea reported a loss of over \$10,000 in 2013 mainly due to declining membership and other cost increases. After all options were discussed, it was recommended to raise national dues \$6 effective July 1, 2014. This increase will apply to all new members and all renewing members. If you renew before July 1, 2014 you can renew at current rate of \$42.

A website proposal authored by Mike Stortini, was read by Jack Shea due to Mike Stortini unable to attend the board meeting. After reviewing the current web site, it was decided a complete refresh/update is needed now. The Board approved a new web site plan and funding. The new plan includes putting more of the club directory on the web site, saving approximately 84 printed pages. Directory printing and postage expenses will be reduced by further use of electronic media. Another step of the web site redesign will be to make joining LCOC and renewing membership online, the first item viewed and much easier to do. The final step will have a password protected, private member area for making "Comments" available online. Further decisions about additional deployment of electronic media will be

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mission and eventually found popularity in the Las Vegas Strip and downtown casinos. Fortune Coin Co. and their video slot machine technology were purchased by IGT (International Gaming Technology) in 1978.

The first American video slot machine to offer a "second screen" bonus round was *Reel 'Em In* developed by WMS Industries Inc. in 1996. This type of machine had appeared in Australia from at least 1994 with the "Three Bags Full" game. In this type of machine, the display changes to provide a different game where an additional payout may be won or accumulated.

A person playing a slot machine purchases the right to play by inserting cash, or in newer Ticket-In, Ticket-Out machines, a paper ticket with a barcode, into a designated slot on the machine. The machine is then activated by means of a lever or button, or on newer machines, by pressing a touchscreen on its face. The game itself may or may not involve skill on the player's part — or it may create the illusion of involving skill while only being a game of chance.

The object of the game is to win money from the machine. The game usually involves matching symbols, either on me-

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made at the 2015 board meeting.

Technical Services, Dick Koop presented an updated list of people to call about questions you might have about your Lincoln. Dick plans to present two technical seminars at each of the three national meets this year. At Tulsa last year the seminar on leather restoration was a big hit and everyone asked for more seminars.

It was approved to do a Non Judged National event in 2014. It will be called the Eastern National Show and will be in St Pete Beach, Florida, April 30 – May 4. All registered persons at the Eastern National will vote for their favorite Lincoln on the show field. This will be a true People's Choice Award, with no judging. This is being tried because of the dwindling attendance at the past National Meets. This meet will emphasize touring, socializing and enjoying Lincoln's on a show field. The 2014 National Meet schedules are shown on our North Star activity page in this newsletter.

If you wish to be a candidate for the 2015 LCOC National Board of Directors, you must file by April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2014. You need to write a biography and picture for Comments, send to Carol Mattix, email: [cjmat-tix@gte.net](mailto:cjmat-tix@gte.net) The club values input from all members. New ideas and suggestions are necessary to keep the organization current and of value to our younger generations. Please considering running for one of the open seats this year.

The 2015 Board Meeting will be in Los Angeles, San Francisco or Las Vegas depending on the availability of accommodations.

## More Navigator

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Boost V6. Lincoln is touting at least 370 horsepower and 430 pound-feet of torque, making this the most powerful version of the twin-turbo EcoBoost six-cylinder we've seen. For comparison, the current Ford F-150 EcoBoost is quoted at 365 hp and 420 lb-ft, while the new Escalade's 6.2-liter V8 promises 420 hp and 460 lb-ft of torque.

"Drivers will feel the power when they step on the gas," said Elaine Bannon, the chief engineer on the 2015 Navigator. "The new EcoBoost engine sets the standard in this vehicle segment with its balance of performance and efficiency."

Lincoln projects that the new engine will deliver best-in-class towing of 9,000 pounds, besting the more powerful Escalade's 8,200-lb tow rating. The new engine will also be exclusively mated to a six-speed automatic that will feature a manual mode, and both rear and four-wheel drive will be available. While no specifics are available yet, Lincoln is projecting a big bump in fuel economy over the outgoing powertrain.

To iron out the ride of the body-on-frame SUV, Lincoln has fitted its Drive Control system, which uses continuously controlled dampers to monitor road conditions and adjust the ride accordingly. Like in the MKZ, the Navigator will feature Sport (ha!), Comfort and Normal modes for its adaptive dampers.

As the Navigator had been rolling about with technology from 2007, one of the priorities for the new model was to update the quality and caliber of the vehicle's systems. MyLincoln Touch with Sync is now standard and

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chanical reels that spin and stop to reveal one or several symbols, or on simulated reels shown on a video screen. The symbols are usually brightly colored and easily recognizable, such as images of fruits, numerals or letters, and simple shapes such as bells, diamonds, or hearts; newer video slot machines use animated cartoon characters and images of popular actors or singers (in the case of themed slot machines, as described below).

Most games have a variety of winning combination of symbols, often posted on the face of the machine (or available on a different screen, accessible by touching a button on the main touchscreen, on video slot machines). If a player matches a combination according to the rules of the game, the slot machine pays the player cash or some other sort of value, such as extra games.

Multi-line slot machines have become more popular since the 1990s. These machines have more than one payline, meaning that visible symbols that are not aligned on the main horizontal may be considered for winning combinations. Reel slot machines commonly have three or five paylines, while video slot machines may have 9, 15, 25, or as many as 243 different paylines. Most

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controlled through an eight-inch, touchscreen display in the dash. The instrument cluster, meanwhile, is now home to twin 4.2-inch displays that flank a central speedometer, much like the rest of the Lincoln range. Push-button start is standard, as is passive entry. A rear-view camera comes standard, although blind-spot monitoring will be an optional extra.



The old Navigator's dated, bling-bling front fascia has been completely replaced with something that looks vaguely like Lincoln's so-called "split-wing grille." The new design strikes us as a heavy handed and uninspired, lacking the sort of style we so enjoyed on the MKZ. As for the rear end, we'll simply mention that there's more than a little of cross-town rival Dodge Durango to be found in that light cluster.

Functional changes for the Navigator's exterior include HID headlamps with LED running lights, as well as full LED taillights. Twenty-inch wheels now come standard, up from 18s on the 2014 model, while a set of striking 22-inch wheels is available as part of the "Reserve" package. The two Navigators we saw both featured the 22s, and we'll admit, they were one of the highlights of this refresh.

"From a design standpoint, the

new Navigator is more of what Lincoln customers want in a full-size luxury SUV," said Jim Grake, Lincoln exterior designer. "Our customers will appreciate that, in addition to the substantial design changes, the new vehicle preserves the qualities that made Navigator great."

We can take issue with the Navigator for some of its interior materials, but what isn't in dispute is the absolute wealth of room it provides. These are still huge vehicles, with the short-wheelbase offering up 54.4 cubic feet of space behind the second row. Fold the second and third rows down, and the volume increases to 103.3 cu. ft. The Navigator L, meanwhile, has 86.3 cu. ft. of space behind the second row. Fold both rows down, and LWB models offer 128.2 cu. ft. of space. That's very nearly as much as a long-wheelbase Transit Connect, and it handily bests the 120.5 cu. ft. of the new Escalade ESV.

"We have this iconic vehicle with untapped potential," said Bannon. "Now it's got more of what our customers want. It's got the new Lincoln design DNA on the exterior, a redesigned instrument panel, a leather Reserve Package, 22-inch wheels. Once we were able to include all of those elements, I knew we had a winner."

The 2015 Navigator is expected to begin production at the end of the summer, with sales slated to begin in early fall. There will be more on the Navigator when it makes its official debut at the 2014 Chicago Auto Show early next month.

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video slot machines have a themed game, some of which feature graphics and music based on popular entertainers, motion pictures or TV programs (*The Addams Family*, *I Dream of Jeannie*, *Happy Days*, etc.) with a bonus round. Most accept variable amounts of credit to play with 1 to 15 credits per line being typical. The higher the amount bet, the higher the payout will be if the player wins.

There are also standard 3 to 5 reel electromechanical machines, of various types. These are the typical "one-armed bandits." Since about 2005 there have been hybrid machines introduced, which combine elements of both video machines and traditional electromechanical machines.

Larger casinos offer slot machines with denominations from 1 cent ("penny slots") all the way up to \$100.00 or more per credit. Large denomination slot machines are usually cordoned off from the rest of the casino into a "High Limit" area, often with a separate team of attendants to cater to the needs of those who play there.

From the internet...

## Celebrating the Our New Museum



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## *In Passing - Allen Bundgaard*



Former LCOC and North Star club member Allen Bundgaard passed away on December 8, 2013. Allen was the proud owner of a 1953 Lincoln Capri convertible and he enjoyed driving it on nice days near his home in Breezy Point, MN. Due to ad-

vancing age and declining health, he sold his Capri about 5 years ago and discontinued driving shortly thereafter. He was a delightful person to visit with and had many interesting stories about his years in broadcasting when radio was at it's highest point.

Allen was born in Council Bluffs, Iowa, Nov. 13, 1920. Allen graduated from Thomas Jefferson High School in Council Bluffs, Iowa, and went on to the University of Iowa where he obtained a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Radio Broadcasting. He graduated from the University of Iowa in 1943 and immediately enrolled in Officer's Candidates School at Fort Benning, Ga., graduating and becoming a Second Lieutenant in the infantry on Sept. 6, 1943. He married his longtime girlfriend, Mary Lee Burden, on Sept. 10, 1943. Allen served in the Armed Forces for three years mustering out in 1946. While in the service he joined the Second Replacement Depot and became a Information and Education Officer. He was offered several broadcasting opportunities in the broadcasting field with the Armed Forces, but chose rather to go home when he had sufficient points.

In over 60 years in broadcasting, Allen Bundgaard rose from a student announcer to station owner, doing it all with honesty, charm, integrity, and style. His career began at WSUI at the University of Iowa in 1939. He joined KMA Shenandoah, Iowa, while still in school, then moved to KORN Fremont, Nebraska, and later to KFAB, Omaha, Nebraska, where he was named one of

the top twelve radio announcers in the nation. He moved to WCCO Minneapolis/Saint Paul in 1951, where he served as director and talent for the CBS "Housewives Protective League" and also hosted the late-evening "Starlight Salute" program. He returned to WCCO in the late 1960s after spending several years at WCBS New York City. He operated an advertising agency and did freelance radio and television work before building his own station, KLKS FM Breezy Point, in 1984.

Bundgaard was chosen Minnesota Pioneer Broadcaster of the year in 1997, and was elected to the Pavek Museum Broadcasters Hall of Fame in 2001.

Bundgaard is survived by two sons, Bruce (Marjorie), of Crosslake, and Robert (Carol), of Breezy Point; seven grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his wife, Mary Lee; and son, Kurt. Private services have been held.

## *Pride and Joy continued*

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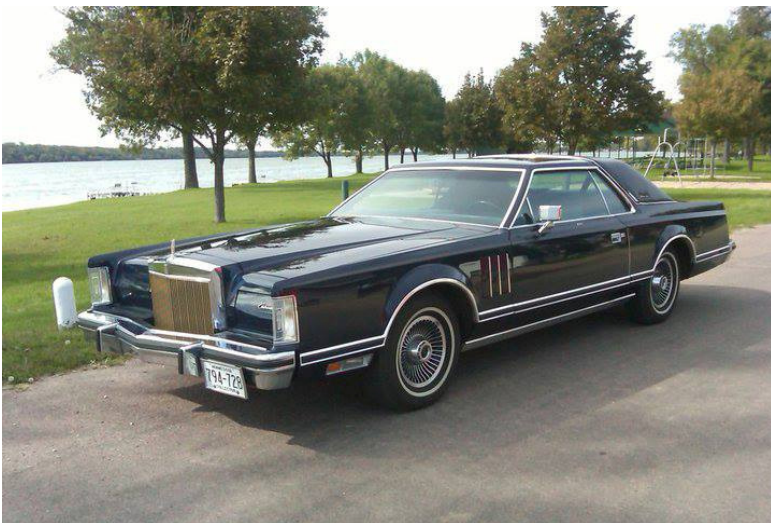
mounted them on my new tires so we could go. We had to stop once for a minor mechanical repair, and had some issues with the air conditioning, but otherwise had an uneventful trip and a great time.

I've had a second shop work on the air conditioning, and I think it's good to go. I'm trying to keep the car as original as possible, so it's still running on R-12 refrigerant. The rust bubbles have been repaired and a new correct vinyl top installed. There is some minor exhaust work to be done. There are some things that could be done to make it more presentable on the show field. The bumpers are showing some age and there are a few rock chips. But fixing them would destroy what the car is, and that is a very remarkable 42 year-old survivor that gets a lot of looks and a lot of compliments. I'm going to leave it just the way it is.



## *Offered for Sale, Some Great Lincolns*

As a courtesy to our members, we try to make space available in our newsletter for Lincolns for sale, along with parts, related information, and memorabilia. There is no charge for this service, but we do ask that you send us descriptive information along with a good digital image of the Lincoln that you wish to sell. We do have the ability to scan pictures, but considerable quality and detail are often lost in the scanning process. Also, we ask that you let us know when something has sold so we can make space available for someone else. Through the newsletter several cars have found new homes with new owners.



### One Owner 1979 Lincoln Mark V Collector Edition

Completely equipped with sunroof, Lincoln CB radio, and the full complement of fine Lincoln accessories. Purchased new in 1979 by the present owner, it has traveled but 5,000 miles over its 35 year life. Properly maintained and sparingly driven, only enough to keep the car limber it is almost as perfect as the day it was first delivered. Dark blue with a blue velour interior it truly must be seen to be appreciated. This quality Lincoln is priced at \$15,000. Please call Phil Blake, 320.839.6163 or Cell 320.815.7918. Ortonville, MN



Beautiful 1997 Lincoln, Signature series, with only 77,000 miles. The car is Champagne color, as is the leather interior. This is a Florida car only driven in the winter, that has sparkling chrome on lower third of doors, and an almost perfect body. The only thing someone may wish to restore is the head-liner, which shows deterioration from the FL heat. Asking price \$4,900. Contact info: Jerry Thrall - 763-428-5044, or [templethrall@gmail.com](mailto:templethrall@gmail.com).



1979 Town Car, Collector's Series with Fixed Glass Roof, excellent cloth interior, some rust starting to show in the usual places but easily saved. Thousands recently spent on new parts, maintenance, including all new A/C, \$4,800. Located in Appleton, WI. Please call or email for more details, pictures. Perry Bush at [pab1063@new.rr.com](mailto:pab1063@new.rr.com) or 920-205-1295.



*You May Be Interested in these Items for Sale*

For Sale: **1948 Lincoln Continental Coupe**. Complete V-12 engine overhaul. New brakes and battery, New tires. Chrome has been replated. New dark green paint. Good working overdrive. Trunk just has been recarpeted. Reduced to \$14,000. also have V-12 radiator for sale and V-12 motor mounts. Call Ted Anderson 763.561.8143

For Sale: **(parts) 1946-1948** 2 door coupe shell and frame, good front fenders, good trunk and hood, front and back bumpers, and boxes of misc small parts/odds and ends. Make offers Bruce Freiberg 763.682.3527.

FOR SALE: **Automobile Quarterly Collection**. Super complete at 205 books - 52 volumes and 11 indexes, 2 executive planners, total 218 books, all in slipcases with gold script. Appraised at \$2,500.00. Price to sell at \$1,900.00. Harvey V. Oberg Phone 651-739-9754 (Minnesota)

FOR SALE: **1982 Mark VI 2dr** with Sun Roof. 132,000 miles \$1,000; **1983 Lincoln Continental 4dr**, no title and doesn't run \$500. **Parts cars: 1956 Lincoln Capri** Sedan, **1955 Custom** Sedan, **1954 Lincoln** Front Clip, **1953 Lincoln** Cosmopolitan Sedan. Contact Elrod Kaufman, 27951 440 Avenue, Freeman, SD 57029 Call after 6PM for more details 605.925.4986

FOR SALE:

**1989 Lincoln Town Car**, Black exterior, Grey Leather interior, 60,100 miles. One owner, Excellent Condition, 5.0 V8 Engine, Automatic Overdrive Transmission. Michelin Tires, Power Glass Moon Roof, Dual Power Heater Mirrors. Keyless Entry, Power Everything, Listed new for \$32,938, Asking \$5,695.00 Del at 608.837.5990 **Great car with a Great price**

FOR SALE:

**1981 Mark VI Signature** Series. White, moon roof, padded trunk lid, lots of extras. All interior features work. Red cloth interior. Mileage on high side, 161,700. Started recently after long term storage. Call Karl Westenfield (C) 763-229-2183

FOR SALE:

**1971 Continental Mark III**, white, blue leather interior, clean car. \$2,500obo.  
**1975 Continental**, four door, yellow with gold-white leather interior. \$2,500 obo Nice original condition. Call Rodney at 701-252-2222 or 252-4149.

FOR SALE:

I need a new home. I am a **1969 MK III** with only 103,000 miles and I am green with a like new green interior. Front windows need some work. Call Rich at 715.321.1938 \$4,900/Best offer will own me.

## *For Sale*

FOR SALE:

**1980 Mark VI Givenchy Coupe**, New FoMoCo 302 V8 has 40,000 miles; car needs a little TLC, \$2500/offer.  
320-429-0139

For Sale:

**1984 Mercury Colony Park wagon**. White with "wood trim" and nice dark brown velour interior. Fully equipped with 41 options, no rust ever, turbine wheels and complete service history. 181,000 miles, but doesn't show it. Please give me a call for more information. Roald and Rosalee Storvick, Austin, MN **Call 507.433.3944 or cell, 507.438.1016.**

For Sale:

**1961 through 1967 Lincoln Continentals**, complete and mostly complete cars, Sedans and Convertibles. I need to thin out my collection and if you need one of these cars either to restore or to use in your existing restoration project, please give me a call. Gordy Jensen 612.819.2107

For Sale:

**1966 Lincoln four door sedan**. 121K miles, runs, but needs some carburetor work, green with black vinyl top. Nice interior. Call Craig Brenner, 320.262.1043, Bird Island, MN

For Sale:

**1972 Mark IV** \$2,000 - 60K Miles. Rebuild Carb, Pertronics Ignition system (old system goes with car), Crager spoke wheels, complete set of service manuals, Personalized "Lincoln" plates good through 2011. Some other new parts go with car. Needs some Tender Loving Care, but the car is basically sound and a good value at the price. Call Dave Breault at 612-722-2075 and leave a message. Come take a look at this Lincoln Mark IV soon.

For Sale:

I have over 150 1960's Lincolns now, mostly parts cars. More than I will ever use. I have now decided to sell my extra parts; sheet metal, trim, whatever. If you are restoring a Lincoln of this era and need parts, please contact me now. I may have what you need. Just Arrived! New windshields that fit 1961 through 1969 Continentals. Available Now.

Please call Gordy Jensen at 612.819.2107

## *Preview of Coming Events*

- February      CCCA has invited us to a Potluck/Auction, Firefighters Museum, 664 22 Avenue NE, in Minneapolis on Saturday, February 15th at 4:00 PM. See back page for more details.
- March          Sunday Brunch, Machine Shed, Lake Elmo, MN, March 16, 11:30 AM  
See back page for all the details.
- April          Eastern National Meet, April 23-27. Tampa-St Petersburg.FL Area  
Sunday Brunch, location and date to be determined.
- May          6<sup>th</sup> Annual Memorial Day weekend car show , Morries Ford Lincoln,  
Minnetonka, MN Saturday, May 24, 10:00AM to 2:00PM
- June          11th Annual Outstate Classic Lincoln Car Show, Saturday, June 14, Miller Auto Plaza,  
St Cloud, 10 AM to 2 PM.
- July          Western National Meet July 23-26, 2014  
Sunday Brunch, Lord Fletchers, More details in the next issue.
- August        Dedication Lincoln Motor Car Heritage Museum, possible driving tour  
2nd weekend August
- September    8th Annual Luther North Country Lincoln Car Show, Saturday, September 13, 10 to 2 PM  
Mid America National Meet will be held in Rockford, Illinois. Make your room  
reservations at the Radisson Hotel now. The room Rate is \$90.00. Call the Hotel at  
815-226-2100 and ask for the Lincoln Club rate.
- October        Annual North Star potluck and auction at Morries in Long Lake, Sunday October, 12  
10 AM to 2 PM

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## North Star Activities

### *Upper Midwest Region of the Classic Car Club of America*

## POT LUCK DINNER & AUCTION

Saturday, FEBRUARY 15, 2014 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm  
Firefighter's Museum, 664 22<sup>nd</sup> Ave. NE, Minneapolis, MN 55418

**WELCOME LCOC MEMBERS and FRIENDS!**

RSVP - WEBSTER PETERSON (612) 804-9406 or  
Webster.peterson@gmail.com Let me know what you will bring:  
Entrée, Hotdish, Finger Food, Salad or Dessert

AUCTION INFO: Please bring quality auto-related items (parts, literature, toy cars, auto-related collectibles, etc.) to donate for the auction. Auction proceeds will be split with the Lincoln Club.

Do not forget to RSVP if you intend to come.



**March 16th, Sunday Brunch**  
**Machine Shed**  
**Highway 94, exit 250,**  
**North on Inwood Drive**  
**11:30AM**

Note change of location from Al Bakers to the Machine Shed. We were there a number of years back. We will have our own area, so we can have some room to socialize with our friends and enjoy some of the great home cooking that the Machine Shed is known for. The prices are reasonable and the service is great. Come help celebrate the winding down of Winter and the arrival of Spring. It will be a good day to get out of the house and find out about the exciting plans that the North Star Lincoln club has for the summer driving season.

Please RSVP to Jay White by March 13th, by calling 952-432-5939 or email  
jay@jwhiteandassoc.com.