

## My Pride and Joy....

BY PAUL ANDAHL

My love for Lincoln cars probably began at age 12, when one of my grade school teachers, Mrs. Hilken arrived at school one morning in a brand new 59 Lincoln Premiere, having traded her 56 Cadillac for the Lincoln. It was a beautiful gunmetal gray color with a black and white cloth interior and a trunk big enough to hold class in. I remember whenever there was a school field trip that required traveling by car, I always saw to it I had a spot in the front seat of that big Lincoln.

I purchased my 63 Lincoln in 1983 when I spotted an ad in the Bismarck Tribune listing a 1963 Lincoln Continental with 80,000 original miles on it. The car was located in nearby

Washburn, North Dakota, about 45 miles Northwest of Bismarck. The owners of the car, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Whitlock had owned the car since new. They had been retired for several years already and wanted to sell the car, as they did not drive it very often anymore. I will always remember Mr. Whitlock's remark; "a car like this has to be stirred up every once in a while."

The engine had about 4,000 miles on an overhaul, so it really purred like a kitten. The air conditioner worked perfectly, as did all the electrical.

As you probably noticed in the picture, the car has 15-inch wheels and covers on it. Mr. Whitlock explained that when the 64 models came out

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*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.*



Paul Andahl's 1963 Continental

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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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with 15 inch wheels, he had them installed on the 63, with the idea that the car would handle better than with the 14 inch wheels.

I have had the car for 25 years now, and we have driven it over 40,000 miles during that time. It always amazes me how trouble free this car has been all that time.

A little tuning, a radiator repair, and hose replacements is all that has been required, as everything stills works except the clock.

Whenever we take the 63 for a spin, it always

seems to attract attention wherever we go with it. Always a nod or a thumbs up.

Friends always admire the original leather seats, and how they have lasted all these years. It's just one of those cars you have got to love. It is sure one of my favorites!



Another look at Paul's 1963 Continental

Oh, by the way, with all the classifieds listing barn finds these days, does this qualify as a true barn find? This picture was taken on our family farm

in the fall of 1993. The barn dates back to 1916, and I can tell you this is as close to a barn as this car ever was!

## Trivia from the Internet

*The Oldest Ford Dealership in the U.S.*

*Ten Voorde Ford*



J.W. Ten Voorde

*To understand the Ten Voorde story, one must go back to the mid 1800's, when J.W. Ten Voorde relocated to St. Cloud from Indiana.*

*On Christmas Day, 1865 his son, Stephen, was born. In 1895 Stephen established the city's first bicycle store. An early newspaper account reported: "For many years this store has enjoyed a very lucrative patronage from the fact, no doubt, that it carries only high grade bicycles, built on honor and of such materials that positive guarantee en-*

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## Editors Message

The calendar says that it is April. One of these days we should see some evidence that winter has indeed left us and that spring is well on the way. I guess that we are fortunate in that we don't live in Missouri, Arkansas or some of the other states that are experiencing severe flooding.

April, along with spring flowers, will bring us a number of activities that should be of interest to our members. The special detailing seminar hosted by Ken Sampson at his business place

in Wyoming on Saturday, April 12<sup>th</sup>, at 9:30AM. This will be about two hours and we will adjourn for lunch in the neighborhood and in the afternoon visit J.R.'s Custom Chrome Plating in Forest Lake. We will have a Sunday brunch over at Paradise Landing, Balsam Lake on April 20<sup>th</sup>. This is one of the best places in the Upper-Midwest and a real favorite of the Lincoln Club. On Saturday, April 26<sup>th</sup>, the Classic Car Club of America will be holding their annual garage tour. The Northstar Region has been invited to tag along. I have been on about 10-12 of these and every one of them has been great. Please make it a point to join in with us on this tour. All of the details are on the last two pages of this newsletter. And keep your fingers crossed for nice weather.

Don't forget to get your registrations in



Faithie recently played host to her good friend, the Easter Bunny, who was quite glad to get in out of the snow and cold that we had in Burnsville.

for the Destination Duluth Mid-America show, the last week in June. Hotel rooms are going fast and you will want to reserve yours as soon as possible.

Contact Roger Wothe or Bob Johnson

for any information relative to the Mid-America show. You may also download the packet directly from the northstarlcc.org web site. The Duluth weather will be comfortably cool and very refreshing.

Expect to see the new Lincoln MKS in showrooms in

the next two or three months. By all reports this should be a very nice car with many features not yet found in most cars now in the marketplace. Also, Lincoln has made it all but certain that the MKT will also see production in about a year or so. The MKT was at the Detroit Auto Show and was warmly received. It is now being evaluated by focus groups to see what changes could enhance its acceptability in the market place. This is a fairly large car, and could be considered a replacement for the venerable Town Car as that rides off into the sunset in a few years.

Hope to see you soon at one of our next Northstar events.

Till next month....

David, Marion and Faithie, the Samoyed



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ters into the conditions of every sale." That same report went on to name Stephen Tenvoorde as "One of the best posted men in this business,, being a mechanic of extraordinary ability. He has devoted many years to machine work and is consequently well versed on all things pertaining to repairing and rebuilding."

Despite his thriving business. Stephen had much bigger ideas. He turned his interest from two-wheeled vehicles to machines atop four wheels, and in 1899 was credited with bringing the first automobile to St. Cloud.

Many referred to Tenvoorde as a "daredevil" but to no avail, in 1899 he began selling cars from his bicycle shop. On March 21, 1903 Stephen signed an agreement, making his the second Ford

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## Directors Message by Bob Johnson

## April 2008



The winter weather should now be about over for our North Star Region. It is time to get that Lincoln out and ready to hit the road. **We have added an extra activity on Saturday, April 12<sup>th</sup>**, Ken Sampson will hold a Detailing seminar at his business, Showcase Auto Brokers, 26643 Fallbrook Ave, Wyoming, 9:30 to 11:30 AM, Lunch will be provided. We are doing this detailing seminar at Ken's so he will have access to all his equipment. This will also be a month earlier than doing it at Whitaker's car show. This should give you more time in preparing your car for Duluth. At 1:00PM we will drive down to tour John Moltom's, JR Custom Chrome Plating, 1391 11<sup>th</sup> Ave SW, Forest Lake MN. This is touted to be one of the best plating companies in the business.

Our "Destination Duluth", Mid America National Meet Registration is in full swing. Have you put June 25<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup>, down on your calendar to reserve this time for our Meet in Duluth. You need to call our host hotel and **make your room reservations now if you plan on attending over half the rooms are already reserved.** Please register early to help our final preparations to make this a fantastic meet for you. If you do not yet have a Meet Registration Packet, You can download the complete Registration Packet from our web site: [www.northstarlcoc.org](http://www.northstarlcoc.org); the national website [www.lcoc.org](http://www.lcoc.org); or contact Roger Wothe, 133 Grove Lane, Wayzata, MN 55391 or email, [rwothe@mchsi.com](mailto:rwothe@mchsi.com).

When you do your spring cleaning this year, please keep in mind our Lincoln Auction to be held at the Meet in Duluth on Friday night. Pack up those extra parts and

literature to donate for this auction. We can use anything auto related. The auction proceeds help pay expenses of the meet.

On March 9<sup>th</sup>, we had 30 members attend Sunday Brunch, at Khoury's, in Inver Grove Heights, AM. The flu caused over 10 members to cancel, but for those of us that were able to attend the food and conversation was very good. We had a semi private room and were able to be seated together. We did not have a meeting because of all the other people also in the same room.

Our April event we will again travel to Paradise Landing in Balsam Lake, Sunday, April 20<sup>th</sup>, for a terrific Brunch at 11:30 AM. Please RSVP to Bob Johnson, by April 17<sup>th</sup>, 651-257-1715 or email [arborbob41@aol.com](mailto:arborbob41@aol.com). Dick Serwat will lead those who want to caravan from Sun Ray Shopping Center. Please meet by Brugger's, in Sun Ray Shopping Center if you want to be part of the caravan at 9:30 AM.

Saturday, May 10<sup>th</sup>, we will hold our 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Classic Lincoln Car Show at Whitakers Lincoln Mercury, Inver Grove Heights, 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM. This is a free car show; we will provide dash plaques, door prizes and a lunch courtesy of Chuck Whitaker. Please invite any Lincoln Owner that you know to bring their car to this show; they do not have to be a member of LCOC or the North Star region to show a car. We will hold a Judging seminar, to show you what to expect when you have your car judged at Duluth. We will do the Mechanical Operation, which is section no. 1 of the judging procedure for anyone that wants to check out their car operation (see write up in 2007 or 2008 Directory) in advance.

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

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dealership in the United States. At that time he also sold Oldsmobile, Saxon, Buick, Chandler and Oakland automobiles, but dropped all other lines and focused his attention on Ford exclusively.

Selling automobiles was no walk in the park. In his first year as a Ford dealer he sold only one car, but that did not dampen his enthusiasm. He saw automobiles as more than a mere means of transportation, but a true adventure. Foreseeing the need for the automobile, Stephen opened his first sales outlet in 1910; a one story brick structure in Downtown St. Cloud. Just five years later there were more than 400 automobiles of 40 different makes and models in St. Cloud. Tenvoorde expanded his operation to include a five car showroom and a service area, along with a body shop, the first one in St. Cloud.

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## Ford polishes its U.S. luxury brand

Lincoln crossover under way; Mark LT to end

By Bryce G. Hoffman / The Detroit News

Ford Motor Co. is moving ahead with plans to build the Lincoln MKT, a stylish crossover that turned heads at the Detroit auto show in January.

A Ford engineer who is working on the program, known internally as D472, said the design work is well under way but, officially, the company says it has not made a final decision on whether to green-light the MKT. On Friday, Ford told The Detroit News it planned to show a production prototype to a consumer panel the following day to further refine the design and figure out where to position the vehicle in the market.

"We're showing it in front of customers," Ford spokesman Mark Schirmer said. "The company is actively pursuing a luxury crossover for Lincoln." At the same time, The News has learned from a dealer source that Ford sent a letter to Lincoln franchise owners last month informing them that the company plans to stop production of the Lincoln Mark LT pickup at the end of this model year. Ford confirmed the authenticity of the letter and said it is eliminating the luxury pickup to make room for a new high-end version of the F-150 called the Platinum Edition.



Both moves are part of an effort to refocus the Lincoln brand and make it a serious contender again in the luxury space -- first in the United States, then in select global markets.

Fixing Lincoln is a big part of CEO Alan Mulally's strategy for turning Ford around. While he has decided to sell off foreign luxury brands like Jaguar and Land Rover to focus the company's resources on rebuilding its core Blue Oval brand, Mulally said he believes Lincoln remains an important part of the Ford equation.

Lincoln sales were up more than 9 percent last year, bucking the trend at a company that has been unable to halt a decade-long decline in U.S. market share. "Lincoln has some momentum now," Schirmer said. "The future has to be a broad lineup of luxury products -- the right products in the right segments."

For many years, Lincolns were dismissed as rebadged Fords. The automaker be-

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Stephen's son, Cy, started working for his father when he was just 12 years old. He began by sweeping floors and became an integral part of the business, upon becoming book-keeper in 1921.

Cy attended business college and was found to have such a flair with numbers that he finished his courses in two years.... unheard of at that time, as it was a four year study. The Great Depression hit everyone hard. Money was tight and people could not afford the luxury of a new car, so Cy put all his efforts into service and Customer Care. His rationale was that if people couldn't buy new cars, he would make sure their existing vehicles were taken care of in the best manner possible.

Dealerships nationwide were losing business, as Service Stations and independent garages were popping up everywhere. In 1934 Cy opened a "Quick Service Station" on the corner of St. Germain and

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gan reviving the brand with vehicles like the MKZ and MKX, but they still bore a strong similarity to the Ford products on which they were based, the Fusion and the Edge. Later this year, Ford will begin shipping the first Lin-



coln in years that stands out as a distinctively different automobile: the MKS, its new flagship sedan.

The MKT is based on the same underlying architecture as the new Ford Flex, but the two bear no resemblance.

"It's a very important vehicle for getting Ford back into that luxury segment and making Lincoln credible again," said analyst Erich

Merkle of IRN Inc. in Grand Rapids. "They haven't really had the right product for the market."

He tracks production plans for all of the major automakers and expects Ford to introduce the MKT in May 2009.

Jim Hall of 2935 Analytics LLP in Birmingham does not expect the MKT to be a major volume vehicle for Lincoln, but he said it is important because it is part of a segment that is still being defined. "It's a high-image niche vehicle that shows off the Lincoln face," he said. "The best thing that could happen for them is if they could pull buyers from areas they don't expect."

Ford is benchmarking the MKT against luxury three-row crossovers from brands like BMW and Infiniti. That is significant, because the concept Ford showed in Detroit was a spacious two-row crossover. Hall said the production version was always going to offer three rows of seating, which he said it needs to be competitive.

### Lincoln MKT Specifications

Powertrain Engine: 3.5L V6 EcoBoost Horsepower: 415 HP @ 5750 RPM  
Torque: 400 lb.ft. from 2000 to 5000 RPM Transmission: 6-speed select-shift AWD

Chassis: Length: 208.4 in; Wheelbase: 120.7 in; Width: 78.7 in  
Height: 63.9 in; Track Width: Front: 67.1 in, Rear: 67.0 in

Suspension: Independent Rear Suspension Tire size: 285/35/ZR21



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*Forth Avenue. The facility offered a complete service center for all makes and models.*

*Both the Ten Voorde and Ford families suffered personal losses in 1943. Cy's Father Stephen, passed away, as did Edsel Ford. It was not the best time to take over the reins of the dealership, as no new vehicles were being produced. Instead, the automobile industry was cranking out tanks, planes and anything military related. Cy was forced to lay off all of his salespeople. He decided that if his business was to survive he would have to diversify. He decided to tackle the engine rebuilding business. Business was booming. His shop was up and running 24-7. Used cars were repaired and put up for sale. Ten Voorde put all of his focus on selling service. Thru advertising, they encouraged people to keep their cars in good repair, and against all odds the company prospered. It reached a point where it was rebuilding an average of 125 engines per month for auto owners as well as all other Automobile*

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## March 2008 Board Meeting

March 8, 2008

Regional Director Bob Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:55 PM at Culver's Restaurant in Maplewood. Board members present were Bob Johnson, Harvey Oberg, Dave Gustafson, Bob Gavrilesu, Tom Brace, Bob Roth and Roger Wothe. Other members present were Faye Oberg and Brian Carlson and Dick Serwat. The minutes of the previous meeting and the agenda of this meeting were approved.

### DIRECTOR'S REPORTS

Regional Director Bob Johnson reported that a Region Call List had been distributed to volunteers Faye Oberg, Bob Roth and Ray Nelson. A few more people will be needed to help call members to remind them of club activities. Bob provided an updated activities calendar for the remainder of this year which may be found at the end of the newsletter. Bob reviewed plans for the 2008 Mid America Meet in Duluth. He has contacted several individuals and vendors who have agreed to provide contributions to the Meet either in merchandise or cash. They are: Steve Ouellette – Baker's Auto, Chris Dunn – Lincoln Land, John Cashman – Convertible Lincolns, Rich Liana – Liana Restoration, Jim Schmidt – National Parts Depot, Meguiar's Car Care Products and Randy Mytar – Lift Bridge Painting.

Treasurer Harvey Oberg reported the treasury balance to be \$3,590.32 with all bills paid. He has received a check for \$118.75 from the UMR-CCCA for thirty percent of the pro-

ceeds from the auction at Dick Pellow's pot luck.

Secretary and Meet Registrar Roger Wothe reported that he has received seventeen registrations for the Meet. Registrations are very slow in coming in even though fifty- three people have registered for rooms at the host hotel.

Membership and Publications Director Dave Gustafson reported that he has received about one hundred ten membership renewals. Approximately thirty members have not returned their renewals.

Projects Director Bob Gavrilesu reported that new 2007 tax filing requirements will be completed by Harvey and Bob.

Activities: Next event is brunch at Khoury's on Sunday, March 9th.

The next Board Meeting will be at 7:00 PM on Thursday April 3rd at Culver's in Maplewood.

Respectfully submitted by Secretary Roger Wothe.

### Take Heed!

Northstar Club dues were due in February. If you have not done so, please send in your \$20 today. Don't risk missing out on all the fun this year. Take your checkbook out and get those dues in the mail now. The end is near!

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Dealers.

*In an article published in 1977, commemorating 75 years in business, Cy reflected. "At the insistence of my friendly, competitive dealers. I began writing a series of newspaper ads urging motorists to help the war effort by maintaining their vehicles to conserve fuel, tires and other components needed by the armed forces." As unlikely as it may seem, the company was more profitable during the war than at any other time to date.*

*Ten Voorde built a larger facility in 1951. Despite the tough times in the 40's, Cy had put away enough money to pay cash for the construction of the new dealership.*

*One of the highlights for the Ten Voorde family occurred when Cy was asked to drive the four millionth Minnesota-built Ford out of the Twin Cities plant in St. Paul on April 14, 1976. Another noteworthy occasion of the 70's took place when ground was broken for a new facility on June 16, 1977. The*

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## March 9th Brunch at Khoury's

Not exactly a warm spring day for our March brunch, it was still nice to get out of the house for the Sunday Brunch at Khoury's in Inver Grove Heights with other members of the Northstar club.

The club has not been there before,



and the site was suggested by Jim French as a good place to try. Conveniently located for most of us who live on the South side of the Cities, it was a very pleasant surprise.



With plenty to choose from at the buffet line, most went back to sample from the vast array of waffles, pancakes, sausages, bacon, roast beef, chicken

offered as the primary fare. There was also an omelet line that was off to one side that a few of us managed to miss. There was also a great desert line with a wide variety of cakes and pastries just waiting to be picked up and placed on a plate.

It was a good day to exchange conversation about the cars that we have and plans for the coming driv-



ing season. Bob Johnson was busy moving around the room, rounding up commitments to attend our great "Destination Duluth" Mid-America Lincoln show scheduled for the last weekend in June. Excitement is rapidly building and the show is expected to be well attended.

Good friends, good times and good food is what the club is about. Few were anxious to leave as the visiting

was great. April will be a busier month with the detailing seminar, the Paradise Landing Brunch and the CCCA garage tour. See the last page for more information. We hope to see many of you in April at these great events.



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*10 acres Cy had plowed when he was just a boy of 12 is now the current dealership's home. On hand were state senators, the Governor and the Mayor of St. Cloud, as well as other dignitaries.*

*Cy Ten Voorde passed away in 1995... just 2 days shy of his 90th birthday. He witnessed a remarkable change in the automobile industry. Today the technology that goes into manufacturing and servicing a car is mind boggling, especially when you stack it up against the early automobiles Stephen Ten Voorde sold.*

*No one knows what the future holds, but it's safe to say that if the same business principles are kept in place that were so wisely established by Stephen Ten Voorde so many years ago, more generations of Ten Voorde's will continue to offer their cars to our loyal friends. Since granted the Ford franchise on March 21, 1903, to the present, Ten Voorde Ford remains the "Oldest Family Owned Ford Dealership in the World."*

## Northstar Members Pass...

It is with great sadness that we report the passing of two of our members.



Robert C. "Bob" Bliss, Robert C. "Bob" age 87, of Faribault, died on Tuesday, January 1, 2008 at the St. Lucas Care Center, Faribault after a brief illness. Bob joined the Lincoln and Continental Owners Club in January 1980, and has been a member of the Northstar Region since the late 1980's. Robert Charlson Bliss, the son of Fredrick and Bertha (Charlson)

Bliss was born on July 17, 1920 in Buffalo Center, IA. He graduated from Lake Mills High School, Lake Mills, IA and also the University of Minnesota. He served in the R.O.T.C. program and also U. S. Navy during WW II. He married Avis Helen Elmquist on September 3, 1942 in Willmar. R. C. owned and operated R. C. Bliss Ford of Faribault for 47 years. He served on the Board of Directors and as President of the Minnesota Auto Dealers Association. Bob also served on the National and Minnesota Board of Directors for the Quarter Horse Association and he served as President of the Minnesota Association. Bob's family expresses deep appreciation to the Faribault Area Hospice for their assistance in his care. He is survived by his wife, Avis; four children, Robert D. Bliss of Mankato; Richard (and Gail) Bliss of Excelsior, Jan Harrison of Maple Grove and Jeffrey (and Paula) Bliss of Faribault; seven grandchildren, Katie, Rachel, Anne, Garrett, Haily, Braden Bliss and Nicole (and Dan) McDonald; one great-granddaughter, Aubrey McDonald; three siblings, Lois (and Chuck) Brodine of Bethesda, MA, David (and Carole) Bliss of Independence, MO and Helen (and David) Appleby of Columbus, OH. He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother, Gerald Bliss. Memorial gifts may be directed to Faribault Area Hospice.



Dennis Will Childs, 59, died January 21<sup>st</sup>, at his home in Prairie Island. He was born September 29, 1948 in Milwaukee, WI, the son of Lorenzo and Lucille (Campbell) Childs. He graduated from Red Wing Central High School in 1967 and graduated summa cum laude from Winona State University in 1992. He served in the U. S. Navy from 1967 to 1973. He worked at N. S. P. from 1974 to 1993.

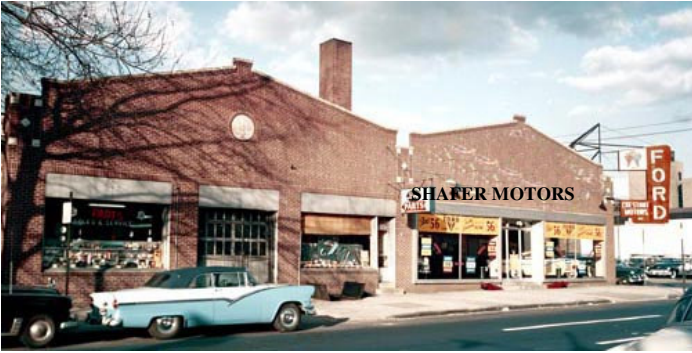
He served on the Prairie Island Tribal Council in the late 1980's. He married Bridget Ann Saice on April 5, 1988. He enjoyed working on just about everything from cars to building train sets. He loved family around, whether just for coffee or for his famous spaghetti dinners.

Dennis had been a member of LCOC and the Northstar Region since 2003.

Survivors include his uncle, Joseph W. Whipple; his wife, Bridget; three children: Verlie Mae Dow-White, Christy Ann (Joshua Willgrubs) Childs and Akilah Helene Lucille Childs; seven grandchildren; one great-grandchild; three sisters: Ramona Childs Jones, Claudine Childs Sellers and Reta Childs, all of Prairie Island; two brothers, Michael (Linda) Childs, Sr., and Alan (Melissa) Childs, Sr., all of Prairie Island. Services were held Friday, January 25<sup>th</sup>, at the Prairie Island Community Center. Burial was in the Prairie Island Community Cemetery.

## *Shafer Motors to Open Soon...*

In a joint announcement by Ford Motor Company executives and Robert A. "Bob" Johnson, it was revealed that the first all new Lincoln *ONLY* dealership will be opening adjacent to the Shafer International Airport in the very near future.



Shafer Motors, located near the new Shafer Airport.

The International Airport along with the light rail extension from the Twin Cities is rapidly bringing affluence to this Northern suburb. Along with elegant estates, there is an untapped market for new Lincolns. "We expect to see large numbers of Navigators, MKX's, MKZ's and the all new MKS's literally flying out the door of Bob Johnson's new dealership" stated Ford Vice president Mark Fields at a recent press conference at the Ford Corporate Headquarters in Dearborn, MI, where Johnson received his Lincoln Dealership certificate. Fields further stated that the company truly believes that Bob is the right person, at the right time and in the right place to share in the rewards that this new dealership will provide for both parties. "Lincoln, with all the new products now out there, will literally blow our competition away", Johnson further added. We see absolutely no reason why we cannot sell and deliver ten to 15 new Lincolns each and every business day.

Johnson brings to this new dealership his vast experience recently gained as the general manager of the Shafer International Airport and as National Membership Director of the Lincoln and Continental Owners Club. As everyone from Minnesota knows, the success story of the Shafer Airport is beyond all possible belief. Largely a bovine grazing area only a few short years ago, it is now a very busy major air terminal, seeing the comings and goings of hundreds of flights every day. And of course, Johnson did manage to save the Lincoln club from extinction, almost single handily. These stories of unparal-

leled achievement were further recognized by Ford as prime requisites to being a successful franchisee of their marquee brand.



Shafer city officials and their families fill the showroom.



The large parts department stocks parts for all Lincolns.

Shafer city officials also are very excited about this new development. "Being located close to the new airport, there will be a plethora of new opportunities for our city" Mayor Howard Johnson added at a recent preview event held at Shafer Motors. Other Shafer dignitaries are also excited about the creation of one hundred plus new jobs for the city. Mayor Johnson further added that perhaps someday "Bob will take a run at politics, because we need folks like him, with his sense of humor, to help run our government." "We all welcome Shafer Motors to our community, and look forward to it's official grand opening, to be **held on April 1<sup>st</sup>.**"



## *For Sale....*



**1953 Capri**, brand new 1953 Lincoln Capri 50th Anniversary car with 133 miles since ground-up 2 year restoration, the car was rust-free & solid from AZ, it hadn't been licensed since 1964, powder coated frame, gas tank, inner fenders, etc, stainless steel gas and brake lines, new glass except rear window, new rubber gaskets, original color, basecoat, clear coat, 5 new Diamond Back tires, hubcaps restored, engine is overhauled 317 ohv 5-barrel 205 hp, 6-volt with power windows, seat, steering, brakes and antenna, AM-FM stereo, the car is beautiful, Offers in the \$40,000 range would be appreciated. Rodney White 507-438-3753, MN; or email: [rdwhite@smig.net](mailto:rdwhite@smig.net)

## **Wanted**

1956 or 1957 Mark II in number two condition.

Prefer an Air Conditioned car.

Silver with Red Interior, with White or Maroon a second choice. Mileage to 70,000 acceptable.

Will pay fair market price or better depending on condition and documented history.

Call John W. McDowall 320-251-8640  
email: [johnmc@mcdowallco.com](mailto:johnmc@mcdowallco.com)

## *I need a New Home....*



I am a 1969 Lincoln Mark III, black with black leather interior.

My present owner has worked very hard to try and fix me up, and there are only a few more things left to do. I have new front leather seats, rebuilt engine, newly rebuilt transmission and differential. I have also some new suspension parts, brakes and other things too. I run well, drive good, but just need a little more work to make me look really nice. I am thirty-eight years old, and I have a little rust in my lower quarters, but that can be fixed. My vinyl roof also needs to be replaced. I want to go to a good home to someone in the club, who will take care of me and make me like new. I also have a lot of good parts that go with me if you need them.

Mike Galle, my present owner is asking only \$1600. Please call Mike at 612-866-2350 or 612-269-6569. I really would like to come to your home to live.

## *For Sale - 1974 Continental Two Door*



Just what you have been waiting for. 73,000 miles from new, tan interior, white top, gold lower. 460 Engine, new wiring, looks and shows like new. Pampered all it's life, stored indoors. \$7,000/open to reasonable offers from Lincoln club members. Call Bob Buko at 651-454-0100 - Cell 612-867-9518



## *Great Automotive Buys...*

### **For Sale**

#### **1979 Mark V Cartier Edition**

Light Champagne, Matching Interior  
Equipped with 400 CID engine and all the  
usual equipment found on a Mark V.  
Low Mileage - 38,300 Miles  
Good Looking, Inside and Out  
\$10,500/Best Offer  
Call Ray at 612-722-9966

### **WANTED**

Continental Wheel Hump Style Trunk Lid for  
1977 Lincoln. (some limo's had these)

Nice seats for 1979 Lincoln Town Car. '75-  
'79 should work. Prefer tan color since the  
car is painted a gold tone.

For Sale: 1988 Beige Town Car, leather interior,  
109K, \$1900. 320-587-4415  
(Hutchinson)

Call Francis Kalvoda, Willmar 320-235-5777

### **For Sale**

1988 Town Car, with 45,000 miles. Has new tires  
and battery, and looks like new. Gray with gray soft  
half-top, rectangular opera windows and side lights.

Call Don Peterson at 507-454-3010, 507-429-0476  
or 507-454-5231, Winona, MN Fairly priced.  
Email: donp@mwsco.com.

### **For Sale:**

4 – 1993 MK VIII wheels, painted, rare.  
Very good condition \$120.00

4 – 1993 MK VIII wheels, chrome, poor condition  
\$80.00

Call Bob Gavrilescu at 651-488-3878

### **For Sale**

1979 Mark V, Bill Blass Edition. This Mark  
features a blue exterior, offset by a white  
carriage top and white leather interior with  
blue piping. Second owner since 1991.  
Originally purchased at North Hollywood  
Lincoln Mercury in the Los Angeles area.  
This is a very pristine California Mark, with  
only 58,000 miles. Preprimary trophy winner,  
with only 5,000 miles on tires and  
brakes. Realistically priced at \$10,000.  
Contact Richard Gray, 415-435-3539, email:  
grayr@sutterhealth.org.

### **NORTHSTAR 2008 Mid-America Meet**

**June 25th - June 28th**

**Duluth, Minnesota**

**Registration Forms and other meet  
information is now available.**

Contact Roger Wothe, Meet Registrar  
133 Grove Lane, Wayzata, MN 55391-1618  
email: rwothe@mchsi.com

### **For Sale**

1947 Continental Coupe  
All Original V-12 Good Looking and Good Running  
Same owner for 35 years. Always stored in a warm,  
heated garage.

Call 507-567-2256 after 6 PM

### **FOR SALE**

**1967 CONTINENTAL CONVERTIBLE**  
Dark Green, very nice condition inside and out.  
In good condition mechanically

Priced right to sell now  
\$10,000

Please call Richard Serwat 651-554-0716

*Great Cars For Sale..... Other Stuff too....*

**Car Show and Swap Meet**

**7:00AM - 3:00PM**

Sunday, May 18th, The Willmar Car Club is once again hosting their 28th annual Car Show and Swap Meet.

Find your way to the Kennedy Elementary School (824 - 7th Street SW), for one of the area's very best shows and swap meet. Lots of classes with dash plaques, prizes, goody bags and much, much more.

For more information go to:  
[www.willmarcarclub.com](http://www.willmarcarclub.com)

***DESTINATION DULUTH***

T-Shirts are now available, advertising the 2008 Mid-America Lincoln Meet in Duluth next June.

Northstar Club Jackets are also available.

Perfect for the cold damp spring days ahead.

Call Bob Johnson to get yours today.

**For Sale**

**1972 Lincoln Mark IV**

38,000 Miles, All Original, Trophy Winner Gold with Dark Brown Top and Leather As new condition. \$10K or fair offer.

Call Don Pennock 651-488-1596

Cell 651-253-5516

**For Sale**

46-48 Lincoln V12 Transmission with overdrive 26 tooth cluster, in very good condition \$650 exchange.

2 front fenders for 46-48 Lincoln Right and Left

56 Lincoln fender skirts good condition

56 Lincoln hood ornament

Call Ted Anderson at 763-561-8143

**150 - LINCOLNS - 150**

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 1963 Continentals.

"61-64" windshields coming soon.

***Please call Gordy Jensen at 952-851-2721***

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# Preview of Coming Events

The following include scheduled club events

- April      **Saturday, April 12<sup>th</sup>, Detailing session** 9:30 Am to 11:30 AM at Ken Sampson's Showcase Auto Brokers, 26643 Fallbrook Ave, Wyoming, MN 55092 At 1:00PM we will tour JR Custom Chrome Plating, 1391 11<sup>th</sup> Ave SW, Forest Lake MN. **Sunday Brunch**, Paradise Landing, Balsam Lake, **April 20<sup>th</sup>**, 11:30AM **CCCA Garage Tour**. Northstar members invited once again. **Saturday, April 26<sup>th</sup>**. Details and maps on back page.
- May        **Saturday, May 10<sup>th</sup>**, 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Lincoln Car Show, Whitakers Lincoln Mercury, Inver Grove Heights, which will include Detailing and Judging seminars as an added attraction. The weather will be great, lets get the cars out. May 18<sup>th</sup>, the 28<sup>th</sup> annual Willmar car show. Kennedy Elementary School, from 7:00am to 3:30pm.
- June       North Star Region, Mid America National Meet, "Destination Duluth"  
**Wednesday June 25<sup>th</sup> to Sunday, June 29<sup>th</sup>**
- July        Prior Lake, Summer Pot Luck picnic, **Sunday, July 20<sup>th</sup>**, 11:30 AM.
- August     6<sup>th</sup> Annual Out State All Lincoln Car Show, Saturday, August 9<sup>th</sup>, Frank Warner's, Centuria Wisconsin. Eastern National Meet, Columbus, Ohio, **August 14-17<sup>th</sup>**
- September Annual Region Picnic, **Sunday, September 21<sup>st</sup>**.

If you have a special place that you would like the club to visit or that unique restaurant, please let us know. We are making plans for the rest of 2008, and we need your help to find new experiences for the club. We need your help to make the club even better and more fun.

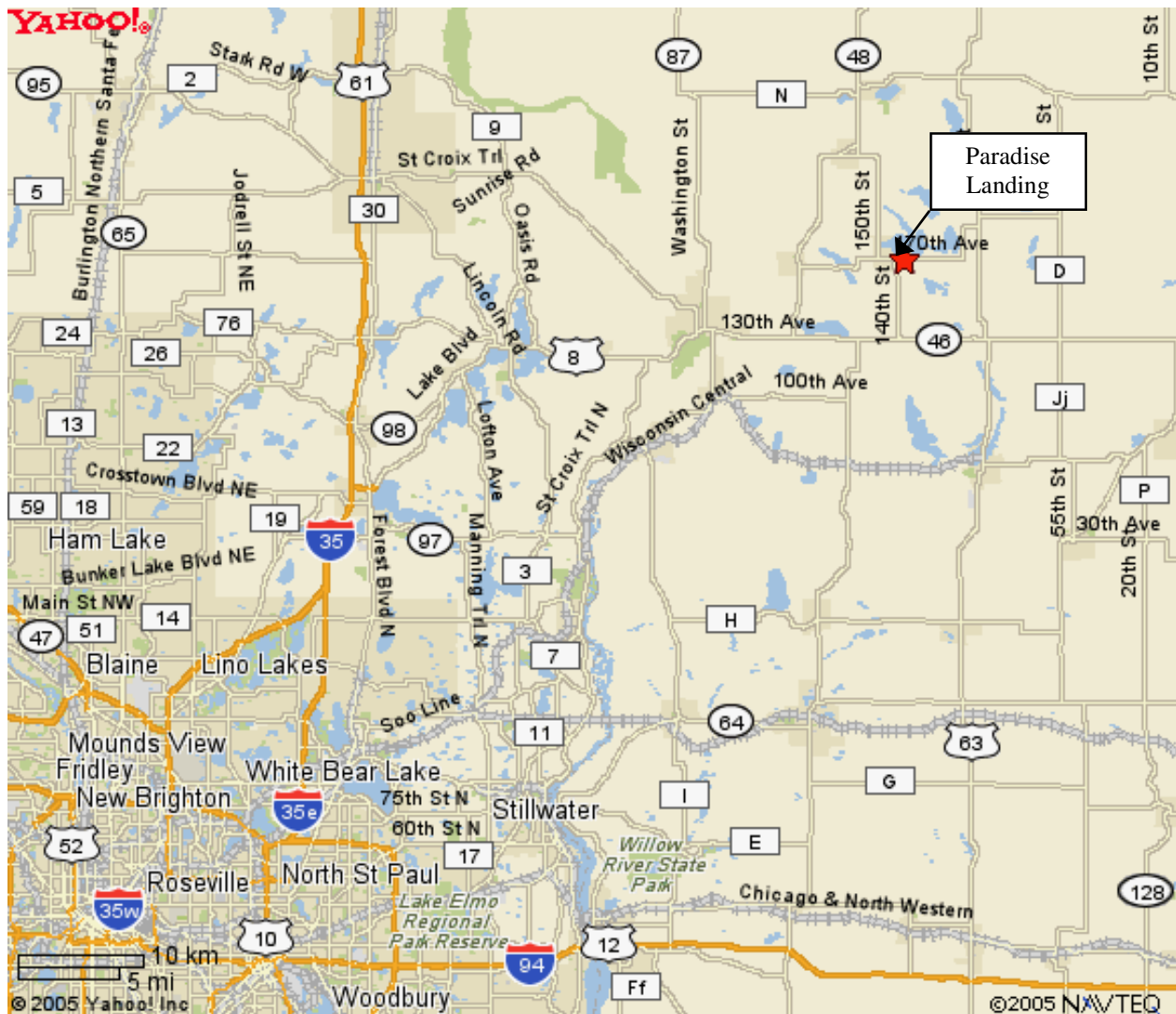
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## Paradise Landing, Sunday Brunch, April 20th, 2008



We had so much fun last Fall, we are going to go back again! It will be a perfect spring day to take your classic out for a relaxing drive to Balsam Lake and have brunch with your friends.

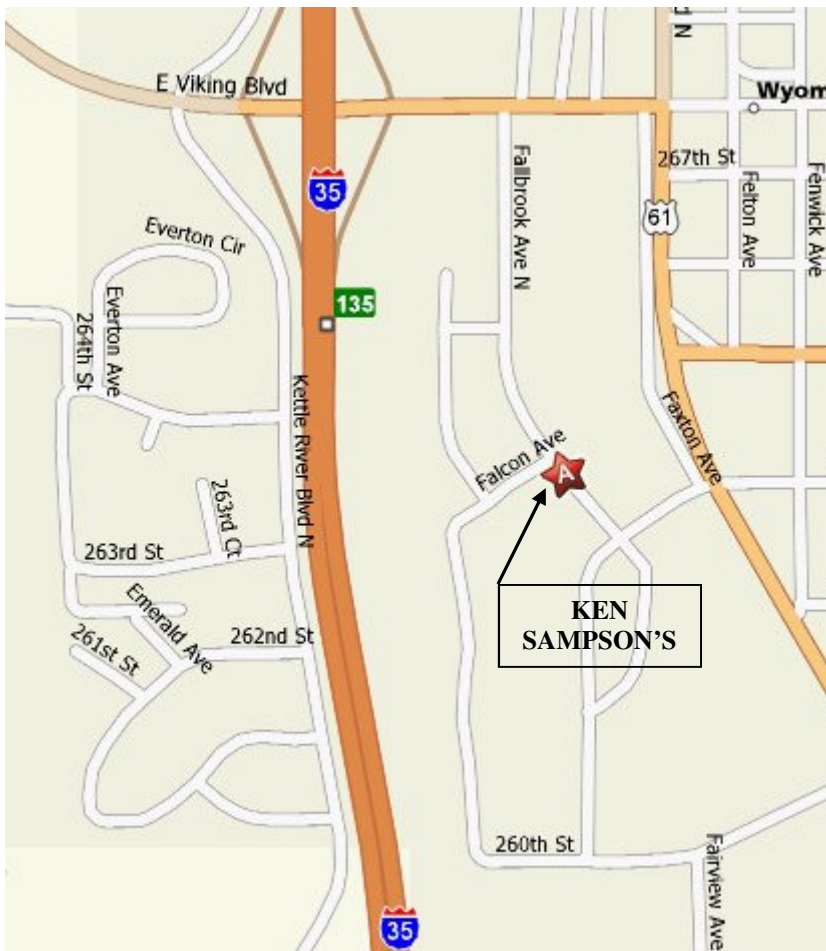
Sunday brunch at Paradise Landing, Balsam Lake, Wisconsin. Be at Paradise Landing at 11:30AM. If you want to caravan, see the information in Bob Johnson's column.

If you are going on your own, set your GPS to 264 County Rd I, about two miles East of town.

The Northstar club has been here before. The food is excellent and the prices right. We are off to a room by ourselves, with plenty of room to visit with friends. This is one of those places that you want to come back to over and over.

Paradise Landing is noted for their good food, great service, and reasonable prices. Last fall, the club members attending had a great time. We want to repeat the experience and give those who missed the trip another chance.

Call Bob Johnson at 651-257-1715 or email: [arborbob41@aol.com](mailto:arborbob41@aol.com) by April 17th if you plan to attend.



**Saturday, April 12<sup>th</sup>**  
**Detailing session**

9:30 Am to 11:30 AM at Ken Sampson's Showcase Auto Brokers, 26643 Fallbrook Ave, Wyoming, MN 55092 . 35 to Viking Blvd, Viking East to Fallbrook.

We will go for lunch nearby and at 1:00PM will tour JR Custom Chrome Plating, 1391 11<sup>th</sup> Ave SW, Forest Lake MN. Learn all about chrome plating.

For more information, call Bob Johnson at 651-257-1715.



# CCCA Spring Garage Tour

The CCCA Spring Garage Tour will be Saturday, April 26, 2008. The starting place will be at Tom Rasmussen's Odyssey Restorations, 8080 Central Ave NE. Spring Lake Park, MN 55432. Coffee & donuts from 8:00AM to 9:00AM. The tour will depart promptly at 9:00AM.

As in past years, this should be a fun way to spend a day. See some great car collections, have a nice lunch and enjoy the company of good friends. There could be no better way to begin the spring driving season. See you there....