

My Pride and Joy

As many of you know by now, our good friend and long time LCOC and Northstar member passed away on July 3rd. Floyd dearly loved his 1962 Continental convertible almost as much as he loved participating in our Northstar events each month. Winter or summer, he missed very few over the years. The story about his sixty-two originally appeared in our June, 2002 issue. We thought that it bears re-telling.

My 1962 Continental by Floyd Homstad....



I had the opportunity to buy this car in 1975 when a friend told me her mother was going to sell her car. "What is it?" I asked. She replied, a 1962 Lincoln Convertible". I said, "I want it".

It had been driven mostly from their home in Lake Forest, Illinois to the train station where her husband took the train to his office in Chicago.

I bought the car, sight unseen, by phone. The woman explained that it needed a brake job and a rear soft window. Before I picked it up, she had the brakes done at the Lincoln dealer. Including wheel cylinders, new linings and drums. Also, she replaced the rear window.

We arranged a date for pick up. I would fly down and drive my "prize" home to Minneapolis.

A few days before this planned "pick up", she called and said "my son wants the car now!" She also said her son was not "too reliable" and wanted to pay her later. "No! I'm selling it to Floyd for \$2,000.

It had 62,000 miles on it.

Between the time the deal was made and I picked it up it had acquired a small parking lot ding. Tough break! It had many parking lot door chips on both sides, but no other damage.

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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.

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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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It has an AM radio, power antenna, power windows (6), air door locks, power steering and brakes. The top also works very well.

I am still only it's second owner.

Two years ago my son arranged a surprise by having the car painted as a "gift". One day a truck pulled in to our driveway. "I think I'm supposed to pick up a car here." I said "not here!"

My wife standing behind me was nodding her head YES to the young man.

Then she said "He is picking up your Lincoln—Mike has arranged and paid for this and there is nothing you can do about it!" So much for being in control that time.

It now has 76,000 miles on it some 27 years later. Some of those miles were acquired driving brides and grooms, about nine or ten weddings now, including my daughter...Who would have no other conveyance but Dad's Lincoln.

It has also made several appearances in the James J. Hill days parade in Wayzata, always a hit. It has been thoroughly enjoyed.

Editors Message

August 2009

Trivia from the Internet

Wingfoot Express



A Wingfoot Express Packard presses on to Boston through an Ohio snow squal in the winter of 1918.

One April morning in 1917, a group of Good-year workers gathered in the chilly dawn at the company garage in Akron, Ohio. Before them stood an ungainly new truck, motor ticking quietly.

The truck was a five-ton Packard, but the 10-foot-high, specially built body had been designed by Goodyear. The plan was to establish the first interstate trucking route by making regular nonstop runs from the Akron tire factory to the company's tire fabric mill in Connecticut and return, a distance of 740 miles.

Across the width of the truck, behind the driver's seat, was an enclosed sleeping compartment. Using a two-

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Two-thirds of our summer has whizzed by. Where has it gone? We have been having fun with car shows, brunches, and other automobile related events, for most of us that's where it has gone. Enjoying life is what it is all about... having fun. Throughout most of our lives, we have gone to work every day, dealing with difficult people, and selling our souls for a few dollars, so that on the weekends, holidays and vacations we can shift gears and do the things that we truly enjoy. If it is spending time with your families, gardening in the back yard, or going on trips, it should be fun. And it is important that we do some fun things as that is what keeps our batteries charged and makes it possible to continue on day after day, year after year. Whatever your age, take some time to enjoy life and as they say, "smell the roses."

This past month, we had dinner up at the Classic Cadillac Diner off Highway 35 near Hugo. A few stalwarts did show up and we had a nice time and some good food too. There will be a repeat performance, Wednesday, August 12. As an added attraction, after dinner, we have been invited to see Brad Yoho's collection of very interesting cars and tractors. We also held a all Lincoln Show at Sugar Loaf Ford Mercury Lincoln down in Winona. There is a lot of detail on the show further on in the newsletter. Sunday, Au-

gust 9th, the club will be holding a "potluck" picnic over in Prior Lake at the city's Lakefront Park. We were



Ch. Faithie outside, enjoying a somewhat unusually cold July day, wearing her new scarf, which was made by Marion from yarn spun from her own fur. Very stylish, Faithie!

there last year and it is a very nice place to hold a picnic. As in true potluck style, bring something to share with the other attendees. We have invited members of the Classic Car Club to join us and this event should be a lot of fun. Don't forget to RSVP Bob Johnson at 651-257-1715 if you plan to attend.

The new club directory has been mailed out to our members. If, perchance you didn't receive a copy, please call or email me and I will get one out to you. The directory is very expensive to do, the largest item being postage. If you have any suggestions about alternative formats or improvements, let us know. The smaller format seems to work well, along with the spiral binding. But maybe there is a way of doing it cheaper or better.

We also bid farewell to our good member Floyd Homstad. He was a nice guy and loved everything about life, his family, his many friends and his 1962 Continental. We will miss him very much.

Till next month....

David, Marion and Sweet Faithie, the Samoyed....

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man crew, they would alternate driving chores while one rested in what was to become the first sleeper cab in the trucking industry.

Behind the novel traveling bunk, the cargo bed was loaded with a dozen spare tires, a compressor to inflate them, 500 feet of manila line, shovels and a heavy block and tackle.

Handshakes done, two men stepped from the crowd and climbed into the enclosed cab. Drivers Harry Apple and Harry Smeltzer waved to their co-workers and started their trip into transportation history - an interstate truck run that pioneered long-haul trucking in the United States.

What was most novel about Goodyear's truck, named the Wingfoot Express, was the big pneumatic tires it rolled on. Hard, solid rubber tires were standard equipment for short hauls in those days.

But this trip was not to be a routine five- to 10-mile errand. Accompanied by a tire engineer, movie man and a publicist in two support autos, this truck was to attempt a 1,540-mile round trip, an unheard of feat in 1917.

The trucks of the day labored along at eight or 10

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Directors Message by Bob Johnson

August 2009



First, I want to let everyone know the passing of Floyd Homstad on July 3rd, 2009. Floyd was a friend to everyone that knew him and we all will miss him. The North Star Region had 22 members attend his funeral on July 13th. We had seven grand Lincolns in procession to Fort Snelling for Floyd's burial. The procession was led by Floyd's magnificent 1962 black Continental Convertible, driven by his son Mike with Carol Ann in the front seat and other son David and daughter Diane in the back seat.

Our Sunday Brunch at Woody's Grill in Plymouth, on June 28th had warm and sunny weather for 22 members to enjoy. We were able to see John and Dorothy Palmer's new 1989 Mark VII, with just 3000 miles, what a great car. The Food at Woody's was especially good and Roger Wothe even received a free shower. New member, Ed Traficante introduced us to his bride to-be Elizabeth, and they won our top door prize, a Lincoln wrist watch.

The North Star Region held the 7th Annual Out State Lincoln Car Show, on Saturday, July 18th, at Sugarloaf Ford Lincoln Mercury, in Winona, MN. We had 24 beautiful Lincolns attend the car show. The weather was cool, but the cars were the best. Read more about the car show further on in the newsletter.

Our August activity will be a summer Pot Luck picnic in Prior Lake, at Lake Front Park, on Sunday, August 9th, 11:00 AM to 3 PM. Invite your Lincoln friends. CCCA is also invited to attend the picnic. Please bring a dish to pass, the Region will supply refreshments. We will need a RSVP so we know how much stuff to order. Please RSVP to Bob Johnson by Thursday, August 6th, email arborbob41@aol.com or call 651-257-1715.

Our Wednesday, Classic Car Night in Hugo, is on Wednesday night, August 12, at 6:30 PM. Hope to see you there, at Jason's, Bobby and Steve's Auto World, Classic Cadillac Dinner and Mobil station. The diner is 5 miles North of White Bear Lake on 35E at Hugo/Centerville exit. After we finish at the Cadillac Diner, we have been invited by Brad and Carol Yoho to see their car and tractor collection, which is about 5 miles East of Hugo.

We need every Region member to think about writing a "My Pride and Joy" car article for our newsletter. If you have written one in the past, maybe it is time to update that article. If you have been thinking about writing your first article, please do it NOW, we have no articles on hand for September. We need your car article; we want to hear about your Lincoln. The good, the bad, the history and some of the memories, please remember however, that this is a family friendly newsletter.

It is time again for you to consider being a member of our Region Board of Di-

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July Northstar Board Minutes

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

July 2, 2009

Regional Director Bob Johnson called the meeting to order at Culver's in Maplewood at 6:55 PM. Board members present were Bob Johnson, Harvey Oberg, Dave Gustafson and Bob Roth. Member Faye Oberg was also present. The minutes of the previous meeting and the agenda of this meeting were approved.

DIRECTORS REPORTS

Regional Director Bob Johnson initiated a discussion of the 7th Annual Out State Lincoln Car Show at Sugarloaf Lincoln Mercury on Saturday, July 18th, from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM. There will be a caravan from the Point Restaurant in Hastings leaving at 1:00 PM on Friday, July 17th. Classic Car Night in Hugo will continue from 6:30 PM on the second Wednesday each month. Summer Picnic / Pot Luck at Prior Lake Lakefront Park is on Sunday, August 9th, from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM. The Upper Midwest Region of the Classic Car Club of America has been invited. Members are encouraged to invite any Lincoln friends. There followed a discussion of locations for the August 2011 Mid America Meet. Members are encouraged to contact Bob Johnson with location suggestions for a decision to be made this fall. Area Coordinators have been approved as follows:

- Western MN – Francis Kalvoda
- Southern MN – Brad Wieman
- Northern MN – John Palmer
- N. & S. Dakota – (coordinator needed)
- Western WI – (coordinator needed)

Treasurer Harvey Oberg reported the treasury balance to be \$5,017.41 with all bills paid.

Membership and Publications Director Dave Gustafson reported the current membership to be approximately one hundred forty-five. He would appreciate more "My Pride and Joy" articles.

Activities schedule will be posted in the newsletter. Bob Johnson suggested the Almelund Threshing Show as a possible activity for August 2010 as a great Saturday tour with many activities.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:20 PM. The next meeting will be at Culver's in Maplewood on Thursday August 6th at 7:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Secretary Roger Wothe from notes supplied from Bob Johnson.

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miles per hour, the solid rubber tires giving their drivers a bone-jarring ride. The cargoes most often were limited to less-than-fragile items like gravel, grain, coal and lumber. Manufactured goods such as furniture, china, pianos as well as farmers produce and eggs, all suffered a high rate of damage and loss when carried by truck.

Paul Litchfield was plant manager of Good-year in 1917 and the tire company was thriving. Litchfield was convinced that pneumatic tires would give the heavy trucks the necessary flotation traction and smooth ride to range as far as trains, carrying huge loads great distances. Litchfield found his message falling on deaf ears. Both truck operators and manufacturers scoffed at the idea that air-filled tires could support five or 10 tons. "Show them" was Goodyear's response. Only a successful, full-time trucking service, operating in fair weather and foul, would prove Litchfield's theory.

The three-vehicle caravan that set out to do just that was barely to the Akron outskirts

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Floyd Homstad, A Friend To All

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when it became mired in the mud. So began an agonizing odyssey of muddy ditches, broken bridges, blown out tires and engine failures.

It came as no surprise that a heavy truck would have much more difficulty on the poorly graded dirt roads than the farmers' lightweight buggy. Bridges that safely carried farm wagons collapsed under the Packard truck. Twice the engine failed and had to be rebuilt.

The Goodyear crew doggedly pressed on. They added a winch to their equipment, more rope, and rapidly mastered the art of hauling themselves out of the mud. The support cars were worn out by the time the caravan reached Pittsburgh and were traded for new ones. Blowouts occurred about every 75 miles as the truck plodded ahead at 15 mph.

As the Express traveled, Ferris Miller, the advance man and publicist, took pictures with his folding Kodak and wrote stories for local and national newspaper coverage.

"Every place we stopped we attracted a crowd." Harry Smeltzer later recalled. "People would come around, kick the

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Floyd, the pilot

Our friend and fellow LCOC and Northstar member, Floyd Homstad, peacefully passed away on Friday, July 3, 2009, after a short illness. Floyd was born in Minneapolis on March 5, 1924 and reached the age of 85.

After graduating from Roosevelt High School in 1942 he enlisted in the Army Air Corps Cadet program. He served as a C-46/C-47 pilot flying 224 combat missions in the China-Burma-India Theatre during WWII. In gratitude for his service, his country awarded him the Distinguished Flying Cross, and several other medals. He became a pilot for Northwest Orient Airlines in 1949 where he proudly enjoyed a 35 year career as well as the respect of all who knew him.

He was a remarkable man with a variety of interests who loved skiing, antique cars and boats. His love of horses led him to become a founding member of the Twin Cities Polo Club in the early 1950's. As a man who could do almost anything, he was also a talented welder and craftsman. He was an active member of the QB's, RNPA, and the Lincoln and Continental Owners Club, and his most recent involvement with a WWII CG-4 glider project was a source of great joy in his final months.

He was a true gentleman of great integrity who always thought of his family and friends before himself. Floyd is survived by his loving wife of 47 years, Carol Ann; two sons, David and Michael; two daughters, Diane and Heidi (Jeff) Whitfield; three grandchildren, Eric, Chris, and Allison; three great-grandchildren, Kyle, Alexis and Logan. He is also survived by several nieces and nephews, and countless friends and admirers.

A celebration of Floyd's life was held on Monday, July 13th at the Washburn-McReavy Edina Chapel, with Interment at Fort Snelling National Cemetery, Minneapolis, MN.

We would like to add that the services were well attended by members of the Northstar region, many of which drove their Lincolns so that they could participate in the drive over to the Fort Snelling cemetery. The family made arrangements for lunch and those who came were able to have a chance to visit with Floyd's many friends and share their fond remembrances of a great life, very well lived.

A few of our members offer the following comments regarding Floyd:

Floyd was a great friend, who I highly respected. I always looked forward to seeing him at our functions; he had so many interesting and entertaining stories to tell. He accomplished so many things in his lifetime, and was so

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Seventh Annual Out State Lincoln Car Show

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 tires and want to know if they were solid or pumped up."

The Goodyear team pushed on, across the Gettysburg battlefield and the farmlands of New Jersey, through historic Trenton to New York and along the roads that bordered Long Island Sound. Finally, 21 days overdue, the bone-weary men in their mud-splattered truck entered the bucolic streets of Killingly, Conn. To their astonishment, they were greeted by a crowd of hundreds of Goodyear fabric mill girls and a rousing brass band.

As Smeltzer described the trip, "It took 28 days and 28 tires." The trip back with fabric from the mill was less eventful and took just five days.

Walter Shively, the tire engineer, promptly applied the lessons learned in the grueling truck tire test and improved tires were almost immediately available. A stronger bead and heavier sidewalls produced a tire more resistant to blow-out. The Goodyear cotton cord concept in tire construction already had proven itself in passenger car tires and

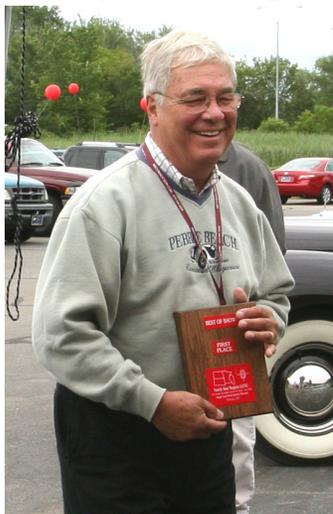
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Foreground, Ray and Jeanine Nelson's 1957 Premiere two door hardtop.

preferred wearing apparel for most of Saturday. It is always easier to layer on than to worry about what to take off next..

There were twenty-four beautiful Lincolns displayed on the grass field in front of Sugar Loaf Ford, inviting all passing buy to stop and behold the sight. The Friday drive down from the Twin Cities along the Mississippi river was full of many Kodak moments, what with all the beautiful scenery we had for the two hour trip. Six Region members drove down on Friday afternoon and enjoyed a fun evening at the Riverport Inn.



A very happy Roger Wothe after receiving best of show award.

Our 7th Annual Out State Lincoln Car Show at Sugarloaf Ford Lincoln Mercury in Winona, on Saturday, July 18th was an overwhelming success.

As ninety degree temperatures are usually the norm for July, we were all surprised to experience mid-sixty degrees. It seemed more like a May or September day than mid July. The somewhat cooler weather worked well for our show, but pullovers, sweat shirts and jackets were the preferred



Kirk Stromberg's Mk VIII and John and Dorothy Palmer's 3,000 mile Mk VII, both fine examples of modern Marks.

Whenever we have a car show at a Lincoln dealership, we like to have new Lincolns parked along with our show cars, Sugarloaf supplied us with a MKS, a MKZ and a MKX for an impressive display of old with the new. With what we saw, It looks like Lincoln has a very good line up of new products which will easily compete with other car companies.

We had nine great Lincolns shown for the first time; a 1976 Mark IV, Rod and Rita Dehmlow, Prior Lake; 1979 Continental Mark V, Pete St Peter, Winona (bought new at Sugarloaf): 1989 Mark VII, John and Dorothy Palmer, Barnum; 1995 Mark VIII, Dave Gustafson, Burnsville; 1988 Towncar, Jack Andresen, Winona; 1940 Continental Cabriolet, Mel and Donna Frederick; Owatonna; 1979 Continental Town Car,

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Winona Lincoln Car Show continued...

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was indispensable in building the sturdy tires that trucks required.

Future trips employed seven Wingfoot Express trucks, ranging from three- to five-ton models of White, Mack and Packard. The 740-mile run one way was pared down to 80 hours running time within a year. They carried tires to Goodyear dealers in the Boston area, or shoe soles for New England footwear makers, bringing back tire fabrics from the Connecticut mill.

So reliable did the truck tires become, that in 1918 seven Express trucks carrying Boy Scouts completed a 3,000-mile excursion along the East Coast without a single blowout. The immense pressure that World War I production was placing on the railroads in 1918 caused shipping delays across the country. Responding to an appeal from the American Red Cross, Litchfield sent his Wingfoot Express fleet to Chicago. They hauled a commercial load of tires to the Windy City, then reloaded immediately with 18 tons of Red Cross medical supplies destined for France.

Using the Lincoln Way east-west route from Chicago, the trucks delivered urgently needed supplies to transport ships at Bal-

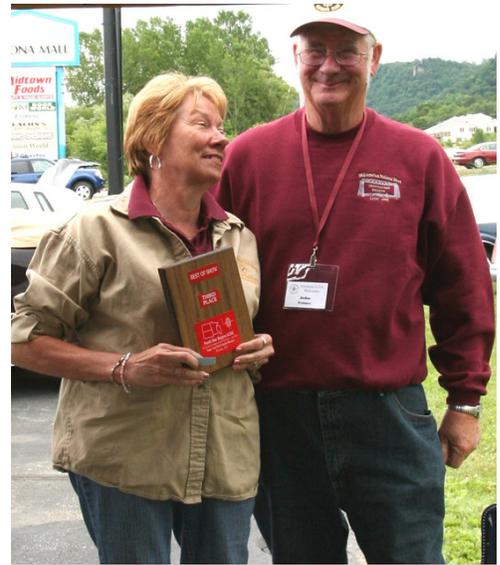
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Paul and Deb Andahl, Bismark, ND; 1997 Town Car, Bernard Monahan, Winona and 1998 Mark VIII, Kirk Stromberg, Circle Pines The oldest car at this show was driven by Mel Frederick, a 1940 Lincoln Cabriolet.

Our Peoples Choice Award for 1st place, Best of Show went to a Maroon 1942 Continental Cabriolet, owned by Roger Wothe, Wayzata. Our 2nd place award went to a Pink and Black 1957 Lincoln Premier, Ray and Jeanine Nelson, Princeton and our 3rd place award went to a Medium Driftwood 1989 Mark VII, John and Dorothy Palmer, Barum. Our Long Distance Award went to a 1957 Lincoln Premier, Ray and Jeanine Nelson, Princeton.

Our top door prize a Lincoln wrist watch was won by Roger Wothe, Wayzata, and a White Lincoln Flag was won by Pete St Peter, Winona.



Third place winner's, John and Dorothy Palmer, Barnum, MN



JoAn Moham of Sugar Loaf Ford Lincoln Mercury receiving the car show commutative plaque from Northstar Director Bob Johnson.

We want to thank Sugarloaf, for supplying Lunch and providing a great dealership for us to hold our 7th Annual Out State Lincoln Car show. We want to thank Mike Puetz, JoAn Mohan and staff for hosting this event. It would be fun to make a return trip there some day.

We also want to thank every one who attended this car show. Your effort to bring your car to this event is appreciated by others that are not fortunate enough to have that particular model of Lincoln. The trip to Winona was a lot of fun over the two days, with many new friendships made. We hope that we will have four new members soon joining our Club. This is what our old car hobby is about, fun and fellowship.

Lincoln owners, enthusiasts admire classics

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timore's harbor in just 100 hours. Average highway speed was 15 mph, considered remarkable at the time. A letter sent by Red Cross officials in Chicago to their office in Baltimore advising of the shipment arrived only two hours before the trucks.

The success of the Wing-foot Express was reflected by a spurt in highway construction, as state governments strived to improve roads within their jurisdiction.

The Lincoln Highway movement, conceived in 1913 to create a modern coast-to-coast highway, was strongly supported by Goodyear's President Frank Seiberling.

In 1918, the same trucks that had conquered the ten-foot snow drifts of Pennsylvania's worst winter in decades, left Boston for San Francisco. This time, the caravan faced a round trip of 7,763 miles, some of it across trackless desert.

In Wyoming alone, 36 of 56 wooden bridges gave way beneath the highway giants. This time the commercial cargo was aviation tires needed by the Army on the West Coast.

Again, the persistent

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By Jessica Larsen,
Winona Daily News.

Life is nothing more than Elvis Presley and Lincoln cars. For Ray Nelson anyway.

He can't help it; he grew up around Lincolns. His father worked in a Ford factory; his first car was Ford; and he taught his wife how to drive in a Lincoln. It was meant to be.

His obsession for Lincolns grew with his love for Elvis. Maybe it was because Elvis had a Lincoln or the smooth ride of the luxury car, but Nelson couldn't help but collect them — 11 to be exact.

"My wife and I moved to Princeton, Minn., to find a barn big enough to hold them all," he said.

Nelson was in town Saturday, attending a Lincoln car show at Sugar Loaf Ford Lincoln Mercury.

But one car, a '31 Model A Roadster, was too good to sit in a barn. He and his wife moved it closer to the family — in the house. It sits where the indoor pool used to be under the bright lights from the ceiling above.

Nelson and his wife, Jeanine, love to attend car shows. They scope out potential new buys and mingle with other Lincoln lovers.

On Saturday, they took their light pink '57 Lincoln Premiere to show at Sugar Loaf Ford. The show was brought to Winona by Northstar Lincoln and Continental Owners Club, an organization based in Minneapolis and dedicated to sharing their love of Lincolns with the community.

"We like to promote Lincolns," said Bob Johnson, Regional Director of the club. "They were made to be on the open road with someone who loves them." Lincolns from the 1920s to the present day crowded the grass at the show. About 40 people walked up and down the row of cars, some looking to buy and others just taking the pleasure of gazing.



Mel Frederick fastens his soft top on his 1940 Lincoln Continental Cabriolet For a Lincoln car show hosted by Northstar Lincoln and Continental Owners Club at Sugar Loaf Ford in Winona. Fredrick and his wife Donna drove down from Owatonna to participate in the show. Photo By Michelle Kowalewski/Winona Daily News

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Admiring Classic Lincolns, continued...

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Goodyear teams overcame all obstacles of road conditions and weather. After completing four round trips totaling 30,000 miles, the Express trucks had established a new world transcontinental record, coast-to-coast in just 14 days.

So began the long battle to unchain the truck from its parochial chores of shuttling cargo between the local railroad platform and nearby loading docks.

The Wingfoot Express had literally re-invented the truck, freeing it from its confinement to town or city streets.

Prophetically, a month after the start of the Express, Seiberling told the U.S. Chamber of Commerce that "the introduction of the motor truck into our commercial life sounds the death knell of the short line railroad." So, as the railroads had originally opened up the country and Ford's Model 'T' put America on wheels, the Goodyear Wingfoot Express put business on wheels, creating a swift and reliable highway transportation industry that is still growing.

From the Internet

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Nelson's car seemed to be one of the popular Lincolns — the only pink one there. People took their turns exploring the inside of the treasure, taking time to joke about Nelson's pink Elvis scarf memento hanging from the rear view mirror. He stood by smiling, reminiscing about why his car was so special. "It reminded me of the first car I owned," he said. "It was exactly like this, except for the color. My old one was green with a white top."

The future is clear for Nelson — more Lincolns and more Elvis. He and his wife take trips south in their favorite Lincolns every year to go see an Elvis impersonator. He also hopes to keep his Lincoln collection growing, maybe with a limo as the next buy. Whatever it may be, Nelson will always stay true to his word.

"I could not part with my Lincolns just yet," he said. "They are definitely not for sale."

Editors note: Our thanks to the **Winona Daily News** and reporter **Jessica Larsen** for granting the Northstar News permission to reprint this article in our newsletter.

I am loosing my storage, and I do need to part with a few of my Lincolns. The following are offered for sale at this time. All are in above average condition, look very good and are very sound mechanically. Affordably and realistically priced at or below current market value. All reasonable offers will be considered.

1988 Mark VII LSC
1974 Mark IV

1978 Mark V
1967 Continental Convertible

Call Dick Serwat at 651-554-0716

For Sale

1984 Chevrolet El Camino, Super Sport, with most available options. 74,000 miles, Light Blue over Dark Blue, excellent condition. Also known as an Arizona pickup.

Call Harvey Oberg for more details at 651-739-9754

Own this unique car for \$8,500

Director's Message continued...

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rectors; Region election article is included in this newsletter. Please volunteer to help make our Region even better, this is your club.

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

Notice

At the August Board meeting we will discuss election of Officers to the North Star Board of Directors for 2010.

Each year in the fall, our Region is required to elect by blanket ballot, one third of its Board of Directors. The term of office for a Region Manager is three years. Those positions will be filled by nominations in September and election using a mail in ballot in October. The new Board of Directors will elect Region Officers for a term of one year in November for 2010. All active members of the region are eligible to nominate and vote in the election. There are currently seven Directors. The bylaws call for at least five directors, but no more than nine. The region needs and wants to have all members involved in the process of operating your club. If you want to be involved and can make a commitment to attend meetings on a regular basis we need your help.

Here is your opportunity to move the region along in the direction that you feel is best. Help us make the region better, it is your club. If you are able to help, please send your nomination to our Region Secretary, Roger Wothe, by September 22nd. Roger's address is in our Region Directory. If you have questions about the duties and functions of the Board of Directors, feel free to call any board member. The election will be certified at the November board meeting.

Your participation is encouraged. It is your club and to make it better, please become involved in the governing process.

More Winona Pictures



Kirk Stromberg's very nice 1998 Mark VIII



Ray Nelson delineating the fine points of his 57 Premiere to reporter Jessica Larsen and photographer Michelle Kowalewski of the Winona Daily News. They were amazed!



Remembering Floyd Homstad *continued...*

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Floyd at an Al Bakers brunch

knowledgeable about many different subjects. I was proud to know him, and will miss seeing him at our meetings.

Ray and Jeanine Nelson

I too..am a member of "LCOC and the Northstar Region." For over 40 years, I have known Floyd Homstad...as a fellow pilot for Northwest Airlines. Many times, I was lucky to be Floyd's copilot...mostly on the Boeing 707 and 720 (back in the "60's" and "70's"). Floyd was an excellent pilot...and a pleasure to work with. The members are saddened by his passing (pilots say, "flying West") - Many more (the thousands of pilots of NWA...current and retired)...are also saddened (I have heard from many). Indeed, we have all "lost" a great member, a great pilot, and a good friend. Our condolences go out to all those...nearer than mentioned - Floyd's family. Sadly, Fred Raiche (retired NWA pilot) - Sioux Falls, South Dakota ("just down the road")

I remember Floyd being at nearly every Club event. I always remember his smile and his Lincoln being in pristine condition. I will miss him. He was a good guy.

Tom St.Martin

To be a member of an old car club is to attend a number of funerals. On Monday July 13, 2009, a number of family and friends celebrated the life of Floyd M. Homstad. The memorial service was standing room only which reflected the affection held by many of Floyd's friends to honor an extraordinary man.

Floyd was the type of person that the more you were with him the better you liked him. Bob Gavrilescu, Floyd and I were walking amongst vintage aircraft in Northern Illinois. We were on a Lincoln tour and Floyd was telling us how many of these aircraft handled and experiences he had had with the particular model. His knowledge and excitement were contagious. Floyd also talked with some of the pilots/owners in a very relaxed manner. I believe that he could talk to just about anyone.

In life, we rarely meet people that the more we see them, the better we like them. This was the case with Floyd. We will greatly miss Floyd yet it can be said that we were better for having been able to count him as a friend.

Tom Brace

What a guy... We knew Floyd for a good fifteen years. He was as interesting as he was diverse. An excellent story teller. We had the pleasure of riding with Floyd in his 1993 Mark VIII to several out-of-town brunches and always enjoyed his company and stories. We miss him already and our car meets and brunches will never be the same without him.

Harvey and Faythe Oberg

Floyd was a good friend to all in the Northstar Region Lincoln club and has touched our lives in many different ways.. A kind, and gentle man who will be remembered every time we see a black 62 Continental convertible pass by. Our thanks to his family for sharing Floyd with us these many years

David, Marion (and Sweet Faithie) Gustafson

Great Automotive Buys...

For Sale

1979 Mark V Cartier Edition

Light Champagne, Matching leather interior
Equipped with 400 CID engine and fully
equipped. Mint condition, inside and out.
Low Mileage - 38,300 Miles. See pictures
and listing on carsoup.com

\$9,000 - Best Offer

Call Ray at 612-722-9966



For Sale: 1979 Mark V, Bill Blass, everything original, just 2 owners from new. Dark Blue with white vinyl top, interior; dark blue, near perfect leather interior. Never driven in winter or other bad weather. Best of all, just 18,875 miles. Must be seen. Call Bob Dilley, Elk River, MN phone 763.441.1767, cell 612.242.2517.

Wanted

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

Call Francis Kalvoda, Willmar 320-235-5777

For Sale: 45-48 Lincoln Left and Right
front fenders. 46-48 nose section, make
offer, no chrome. 46-48 front axle complete \$100. 46-48 transmission with
overdrive excellent condition \$650. 59
AB block Mercury engine complete \$400.
Call Ted Anderson 763.561.8143.

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.

Fairly price to sell at \$5,000.00

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

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

1960 Lincoln Premiere, four door hardtop.
Turquoise exterior, 116,000 miles. Runs,
looks good and drives well. Call Ornel Duklet,
Underwood, MN 218.826.7642.

1974 Mark IV, White with red cloth interior.
75,000 miles. One owner, nice body and interior,
runs and drives, but needs some TLC.
Call Jeff Lindgren, Pennock, MN
320.599.4243.

Nationwide Car Transport, reasonable prices.
Mottinger Auto Transport, Pennock, MN
320.267.7051.

1978 Ford T-Bird, Diamond Jubilee Edition,
amber color, 45,000 Miles. One owner. Call
320.763.6034.

Car storage in Burnsville at 1301 E. Cliff road.
Heated with epoxy floors and 24 hr access.
Storage is secure, with cameras at all entrances.
Power and water is available along with space to
wash your car inside. Emergency tools are also
available to maintain and start your classic. Monthly
rates from \$80 per month with access on a 2 day
notice to \$100 per month for 24 hour access. Prices
are based on a 1 year contract. Call Karl Flick at
612.961.9705.

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



For Sale - 2008 MKZ

Low Mileage, 10,800 one owner miles
Elderly Owner/Driver no longer driving.
Very clean, like new with balance of factory warranty remaining. Well equipped with a whole list of options. Red exterior, nice leather interior. \$24,799

Contact Club Member Jay White at 952-432-5939 or 432-3323.

Email: jaywhite@frontiernet.net

If you have not yet voted for the 2009 LCOC Board of Directors

your May/June Continental Comments magazine has an election Ballot for 2009 National Directors election enclosed. There are 7 candidates and our North Star Board of Directors endorsed five, who we would like to have you vote for. Please vote for ***Dan Szwarc, Art Whitmire, John Talbourdet, Jack Shea and Bruce Hutchinson.*** The pre-addressed Ballots must be received by **August 21, 2009** in order to be considered valid and counted. ***Remember this is your Club and your vote can make a difference.***

For Sale

For Sale \$850.00 OBO

1939 Lincoln Zephyr 4 door sedan sheet metal only! This car has been completely disassembled and stored for over 50 years and left in a small garage in South Minneapolis. This car was sanded and primed years ago and was the unfinished dream of a fellow Zephyr admirer. I would like to sell Fords first unit-body car with sub frame, four doors, hood, deck and fenders. I have many other parts.

After January 1, 2009 I will offer all above parts and many more Zephyr parts not listed above, individually at a fair market price.

If you are restoring a Zephyr or building a Zephyr street rod and need this sheet metal, please call or email.

*Karl Flick cell 612-961-9705 or email
karlflick@charter.net*

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.
"64-65" windshields available now.

Please call Gordy Jensen at 612.819.2107

STORAGE AVAILABLE

Safe, Secure Storage for your classic
now available Southwest Metro Location

Contact Connie **952-835-4148**

Preview of Coming Events

The following include scheduled club events

- August **August 1st**, Lake Lillian Car Buffs Breakfast, 9:00AM , City Center, 511 Lakeview St S, Lake Lillian, MN, Car Show, 1:00AM to 3:30PM
Sunday, August 9th Prior Lake, Lake Front Park, Summer Pot Luck/BBQ picnic, 11:00 AM to 3 PM. Invite your Lincoln friends.
Saturday, August 15th. Downtown St. Paul on Kellogg Avenue 5:00PM—10:00PM
August 19th - 22th Lincoln Zephyr Owners Club Central Chapter meet. Keosauqua, Iowa. Call Rick Hickman at 515.287.4882 for more information.
Saturday, August 29th. Downtown St. Paul on Kellogg Avenue 5:00PM—10:00PM
- September **Saturday, September 5th**, Atwater Car Buffs Breakfast, 9:00AM, Railside Bar and Grill, 204 Atlantic Avenue West.
September 9th - 13th. Eastern National Meet, Lancaster, PA
Saturday, September 12th. Downtown St. Paul on Kellogg Avenue 5:00PM—10:00PM
Sunday, September 20th Annual Fall Picnic. Morrie's Conference Center 11:30 AM, more information to follow. .
- October **Fall Lincoln Car Show**. First Saturday, October 3rd. Luther North Country Ford Lincoln Mercury. Coon Rapids, MN 10:00AM to 3:00PM
- November Year end Brunch. Al Baker's, Eagan, MN.
- December We just can't bear to think about that now...

Please note: *The Northstar Lincoln and Continental Owners Club* board meetings are open to our members. We do invite you to attend and value your input in the club governing process. The directors would like your comments and suggestions on how we may improve the club and how we can make it a better experience for all of our members. We do recognize there may be an event that could be fun for us to participate in, or a tour to some little known byway or a new dining place that may just make a great experience for all to share in. Call write or email your directors today.

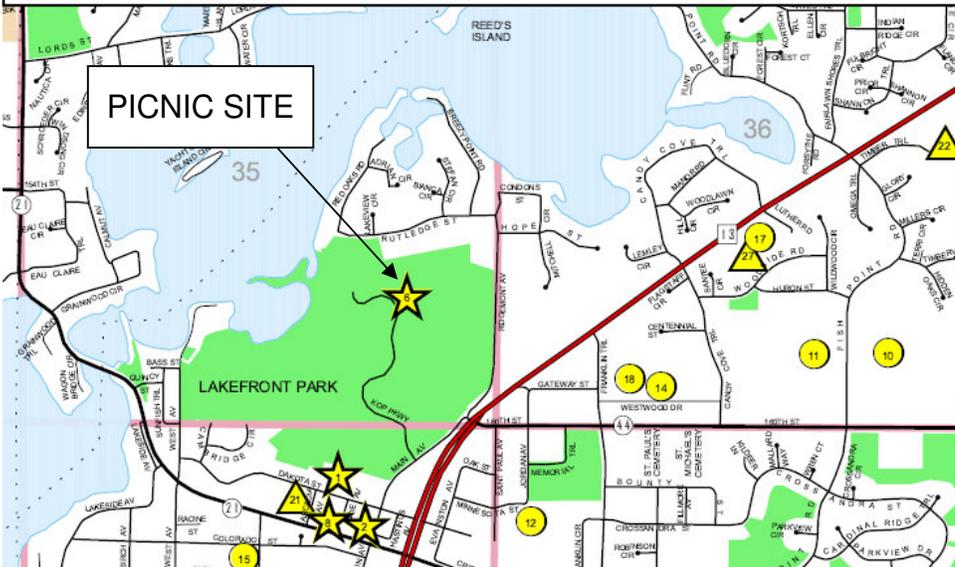
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Northstar August Activities

August Potluck Picnic at Lakefront Park in Prior Lake, Sunday, August 9th 11:00 AM



Attention ALL UMR-CCCA and Northstar Lincoln Club Members

Bring your appetites to Lakefront Park Pavilion on Sunday, August 9th.

In true *potluck* style, please bring dishes to share. Bob and Mary Johnson are keeping a list, so we won't have 49 relish trays and nothing else. The pavilion is enclosed and air conditioned, so rain or shine we will have

fun. Lets spend a Sunday with great old friends and great old cars.

RSVP by Thursday, August 6th to Bob Johnson, 651-257-1715 or email: arborbob41@aol.com

See you there. Highway 13 to Prior Lake, Main avenue to KOP Parkway, and you are there..



August 12th, 6:30PM

Join us for a “**Classic Car Night**” every 2nd Wednesday night, each month, beginning May 13th, and continuing till September 9th at Jason’s, Bobby and Steve’s Auto World “**Classic Cadillac Diner**” and Mobil station. The Classic Cadillac Diner has a fine menu, good service and reasonable prices. This will be a very great way to spend a Wednesday evening.

The Classic Cadillac Diner is close to Centerville and Hugo on I 35E, 5 miles North of White Bear Lake, exit 123 and one (1) block West of the freeway. Other single marquee car clubs have also been invited to join in for a night of fun and food. Call your friends that have classics and ask them to come too. Show only, no awards given out, just a good chance to visit with both old and new friends and perhaps see some interesting cars from other clubs. See you there on the 12th.