

NORTHSTAR NEWS

John Trandem's Pride and Joy



John Trandem's 1972 Mark IV

I first saw my 1972 Lincoln Mark IV about 11 years ago while looking at a 1976 Cadillac Eldorado convertible which was for sale at Lake Melissa near Detroit Lakes, MN. The Eldo was fine, but when I saw the Lincoln I quickly lost interest in the Caddy. Although I hadn't ever owned a Mark IV, I did already

have two Mark Vs and two Continental Town Cars, so I was familiar with Lincolns. The only reason I was even looking at the Eldorado was because I wanted a '70s convertible and I thought a Cad was my only real option. Little did I know, the owner of the Mark IV, David Conmy, (a fellow club member) also had a beautiful and painstakingly crafted '72 Mark IV convertible...but that's another story entirely. I indicated that I was very interested in the Mark and was quickly assured it was not for sale. I didn't end up buying the Caddy either, but remained friends with Dave through many fun and exciting adventures in search of Lincolns, and secured first right of refusal. It was a year or two later when Dave let me know the Lincoln was going to be for sale and asked me if I was still interested. Of course I was, so we arranged a time to travel back to DL and go for a test drive. The car ran and drove very well, and it was then that I got some important details about it.

The window sticker indicated that this was a very early Mark IV with a VIN# 2Y89A801375. On the window sticker written in blue ink are the numbers 8/71 which corresponds with the door tag indicating a production date on August of 1971. I subsequently contacted the Ford Motor Company and was told that their records indicated the car actually rolled off the line July 29th of 1971 and was among the first if not the first Mark IV produced. It is an extremely ill-equipped car with no options whatsoever. It is triple black, and to date 100% original right down to the paint, which still shows pretty well considering it's age of over 37 years and 74,000 miles. The quality of the original paint looks as

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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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though it was rushed to finish as there are a few runs and imperfections around the edges. The window sticker clearly states in all caps: ***NOT FOR SALE*** The destination is: Mich Proving Grounds 4035 Mack Road Romeo Mich. The window sticker also indicates that the vehicle was manufactured prior to federal certification, it is believed by the previous owner and confirmed by Ford that this was probably the vehicle used in establishing federal certification for the Mark IV. One additional interesting factoid is this car, as indicated on the sticker, was an opera window delete. It is the only one I have ever seen personally without that option, which was actually made standard early in the '72 production year. Although I love the opera window look, this touch enhances the ultra-clean look of the '72.

Needless to say I bought the car! The only thing I have had to do to it over the years is a little regular detailing, routine maintenance, and replace the tires with the correct 3/8 in. white sidewall tires. I've had a great time driving the car around town, and it always gets looks. Most people think it's a Thunderbird and are always interested to hear the real story. This car was present at the LCOC event in Duluth earlier this year, the first time I've ever had it judged!

Of all the Lincolns I own and have owned this is my favorite. Maybe not the nicest, maybe not the rarest, surely not the most valuable, but I really had to work to get Dave to sell it to me, and I'm sure glad he did! As such an early car I consider it a part of Lincoln history and intend to keep it safe and original for as long as I am able!

Editors note: Our thanks to John for his very interesting story about his beautiful Mark IV.

Editors Message

December 2008

Trivia from the Internet

A Christmas Story



Ralphie, you're going to shoot your eye out!

One of the details that "A Christmas Story" gets right is the threat of having your mouth washed out with Lifebouy soap. Not any soap. Lifebouy. Never Ivory or Palmolive. Lifebouy, which apparently contained an ingredient able to nullify bad language. The only other soap ever mentioned for this task was Lava, but that was the nuclear weapon of mouth-washing soaps, so powerful it was used for words we still didn't even know.

There are many small but perfect moments in "A Christmas Story," and one of the best comes after the

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Season's greetings to One and All.

Sunday before Thanksgiving. It has been a nice day, temperatures in the thirties, one less day till spring. Hopefully, winter will go by quickly.

Business at the local auto dealers is dismal. Not to much for them to celebrate this year. It is a terrible shame, as Detroit, is building some very fine cars. Ford is receiving high marks for its quality, and there are many great values out there for buyers now.

The Ford Fusion, Mercury Milan and the Lincoln MKZ are nice cars and drive well. The Ford Edge and Lincoln MKX are also nice drivers and present a good value in today's marketplace. Lincoln's MKS has a whole host of new equipment to make driving fun again. I have driven one and they do have a nice car there. The General also does produce some good cars too. The Malibu from Chevrolet gets high marks, as does the Buick Enclave and Lucerne. And most folks that have driven a new Cadillac like them too. It would be a shame to loose any one of the big three at this time.

Our friend, Chuck Whitaker, will be shuttering his doors at the end of November. Ford is trying to consolidate their dealerships, so that there will be no more stand alone Lincoln-Mercury or Ford only dealers out there. The Lincoln Mercury franchise from Whitaker will find its way across South Robert to Saxon Ford. It a way it makes good

business sense, but some of our favorite dealerships will be lost, along with some jobs.

Also in the news was the news of the Denny Hecker empire unraveling. It appears as though Denny Hecker bet

the farm on the continuance of financing from Chrysler, who is also in relatively poor financial condition. The folks that took over Chrysler from Daimler Benz were investment bankers, not car guys and that may have been part of the trouble. In any event, it appears as though they are unwilling to continue loaning any more money in the Hecker empire without a good chance of recovering their investment. And so,

the house of cards must fall. One of the casualties was Stillwater Ford Mercury Lincoln, already a three branded Ford store. I am guessing that this franchise will not be closed for long and that someone in the local car business will be reopening it soon.

2009 will be a busy year for the Northstar Region. Some great activities are planned and more are in the works. We look forward to seeing many of you at those events.

Please have a good holiday season, spend some time with friends and relatives enjoying holiday cheer.

Till next month, David, Marion and Faithie, the Samoyed...



Faithie says that it isn't time to put up the wreath yet. There is no snow on the ground. You can't rush things Dad.

Directors Message by Bob Johnson December 2008

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Lifebouy is finally removed from Ralphie's mouth and he is sent off to bed. His mother studies the bar, thinks for a moment, and then sticks it in her own mouth, just to see what it tastes like. Moments like that are why some people watch "A Christmas Story" every holiday season. There is a real knowledge of human nature beneath the comedy.

The movie is based on the memoirs of Jean Shepherd, the humorist whose radio programs and books remembered growing up in Indiana in the 1940s. It is Shepherd's voice on the soundtrack, remembering one Christmas season in particular, and the young hero's passionate desire to get a Daisy Red Ryder 200-shot Carbine Action BB Gun for Christmas--the one with the compass in the stock, "as cool and deadly a piece of weaponry as I had ever laid eyes on."

I owned such a weapon. I recall everything about it at this moment with a tactile memory so vivid I could have just put it down to write these words. How you stuffed newspapers into the carton it came in to use it for target practice. How the BBs came in a card-

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Our first Sunday Brunch for 2009 will be at Tinnucci's in Newport, on January 4th at 11:30 AM. This is just a great place with a terrific selection of food for us to enjoy. We will discuss our 2009 activities at this Brunch.

Our final activity for 2008, Sunday Brunch, at Al Bakers, Eagan, on November 16th, was just great; we packed our private room with 50 members. As usual the buffet was very tasty with all sorts of choices and the price was very reasonable.

Last spring your Board of Directors decided to honor Tim Purvis's passing with a Tim Purvis Award for the Best Lincoln of the year. The Peoples Choice 1st place Award from each of our three Region Cars Shows was eligible for this award. The Best Car of 2008 was selected by your Directors at the November 1st Board Meeting. Gaye Purvis presented Bob Gavrilesu with the Tim Purvis Award for Best Lincoln of the Year - 2008. Bob's Black 1947 Lincoln Continental Cabriolet was one of the last cars Tim worked on before his passing. Our top door prize, a Lincoln Wrist Watch was won by Rolad Storvick. Everybody went home with some very nice buttons featuring the LCOC Crest, compliments of Marion Gustafson and her button maker. This Brunch was a fitting end to all the events that we did during 2008, it was very nice to see all the smiles and visiting being done amongst our members. We have Al Bakers already reserved for next year on Sunday, November 15th.

If you missed Linda Sanocki and Lynn Peterson's presentation at Al Baker's, about Medicare, Medicare Supplement, Medicare Advantage Plan or Medicare Part D prescription coverage, you still can contact them. Their number is 952-920-4516. The Annual Open Enrollment ends December 31 to make changes for January 1st, 2009.

The economy has cost us one of our best supporters; Whitaker Lincoln Mercury closed their doors on November 30th. We enjoyed being able to hold 9 years worth of car shows at Chuck Whitaker's dealership. Thank you Chuck for all your support over the years and hosting 9 annual Lincoln car shows..

At our November Board meeting we planned some of our activities for 2009, if you have a place that you think our membership would enjoy please contact one of our Board members with your idea. Morries's has invited us to hold a car show at his Lincoln dealership, so we will still have three car shows for you to display your Lincoln at next year.

Dave Gustafson still needs "My Pride and Joy" Lincoln articles about your car, every Lincoln has a story, please tell us yours. Dave will even send you a 2009 North Star Calendar

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

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board tube with a slide-off top. How they rattled when you poured them into the gun. And of course how everybody warned that you would shoot your eye out.

Ralphie's life is made a misery by that danger. He finds that nobody in northern Indiana (not his mother, not his teacher, not even Santa Claus) is able to even think about a BB gun without using the words "shoot your eye out." At one point in the movie, in a revenge daydream, he knocks on his parents' door with dark glasses, a blind man's cane and a beggar's tin cup. They are shocked, and ask him tearfully what caused his blindness, and he replies coolly, "Soap poisoning."

The movie is not only about Christmas and BB guns, but also about childhood, and one detail after another rings true. The school bully, who, when he runs out of victims, beats up on his own loyal sidekick. The little brother who has outgrown his snowsuit, which is so tight that he walks around looking like the Michelin man; when

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Our Trip to "Crusin the Coast"

By Ray and Jeanine Nelson

We just fell in love all over again with our 1957 Continental Mark II after traveling 3,500 miles and 11 states. We discovered what a great car it really is.



Jeanine and the Mark II catching some rays in Biloxi, MS

We left home October 2, 2008 at 5:30 A.M. and traveled 12 hours to Springfield, Illinois. We sort of "limped" into town after a toll booth attendant told us we were spewing something out the front end, and we developed a noisy lifter. A visit the following morning to an auto parts store pretty much took care of both problems. We

purchased a new radiator cap (the one that was on there had a broken spring) and we no longer lost antifreeze. We purchased octane booster and added it each time we purchased gas, which was quite often.

We did not leave Springfield until afternoon because we decided to visit the Abraham Lincoln Museum and his home. It was well worth it, and we would recommend it if you are in the area. We were wishing we had more time, but we had reservations at The Heart Break Hotel in Memphis, TN.

In our drive to Memphis, we saw many cotton fields in Missouri and got many "Thumbs Up"!

While in Memphis, we toured Graceland, of course, the Elvis Car Museum with endless memorabilia. We had a burger at Rockabillys. In the evening we took the hotel shuttle to "Beal Street", the start of the blues. It is like a mini New Orleans. We had ribs and catfish at the Blues City Café, a very busy place.

We cut our stay in Memphis short one day and went to Tupelo, MS. We visited the house Elvis was born in and the church he attended. He really grew up very poor. Between Memphis and Tupelo, if you don't get your fill of Elvis, you never will. We also visited a fantastic car museum in Tupelo. They had about 100 cars in excellent condition; many we had never even heard of.

We traveled the historic Natchez Trace Parkway to Winona, MS and then on to

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“Crusin the Coast” continued...

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he falls down he can't get up. The aunt who always thinks Ralphie is a 4-year-old girl, and sends him a pink bunny suit. Other problems of life belong to that long-ago age and not this one: clinkers in the basement coal furnace, for example, or the blowout of a tire. Everybody knows what a flat tire is, but many now alive have never experienced a genuine, terrifying loud instantaneous blowout.

"A Christmas Story" was released in the Christmas season of 1983, and did modest business at first (people don't often go to movies with specific holiday themes). It got warm reviews and two Genie Awards (the Canadian Oscars) for Bob Clark's direction and for the screenplay. And then it moved onto home video and has been a stealth hit season after season, finding a loyal audience. "Bams," for example, one of the critics at the hip Three Black Chicks movie review Web site, confesses she loves it: "How does one describe, in short form, the smiles and shrieks of laughter one has experienced over more than 15 years of seeing the same great movie over and over, without sounding like a babbling, fanboyish fool

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New Orleans the next day.

It was hot and humid when we arrived in the French Quarter. The Vikings were playing the Saints in the Super Dome so we tried to buy tickets, but the only ones left were \$175.00 so we decided the T.V. was not so bad.

We took a 3 hour tour of New Orleans and saw a lot of the devastation from Katrina. It is so unbelievable! A lot has been rebuilt, but there is much more to be done.

We had lunch with Sweetie Pie and Richard Kuntz, the people we purchased our ‘57 Mark II from eight years ago. The car was originally her grandmother’s and she was thrilled to see it again.

After several days in New Orleans, we headed for Biloxi, MS for “Crusin The Coast” car show. It is quite an event! They have activities in several different locations; Gulfport, Biloxi, Bay St. Louis, D’Iberville and Ocean Springs. There was a car auction swap meet, car corrals, entertainment, etc. This was their 12th annual so it was very well organized. The only draw-back was because of the devastation of Katrina, they were still working on their roads. Cruising between these sites was very slow. There were 4,200 cars registered and many not registered that participated so needless to say, it was a crowd.

Of course, the highlight of the event for us was when the Sun Herald chose our car as the “car of the day”. It was featured on the 11:00 news and in the Sun Herald the following day. While the reporter was interviewing us she got a call from Dennis Gage from “My Classic Car” TV show. He joined us and she interviewed us together. If you have an e-mail address, you have probably seen it because Bob Johnson sent it all over the world! Anyway, it was quite an honor and it was quite amazing how many people had never seen a Mark II! We



Nelson’s with Richard and Doris Kuntz in New Orleans. Their Mark is in the background and Doris’s T-Bird is in the foreground. We bought our Mark from Richard and Doris nine years ago.

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who talks too much?"

The movie is set in Indiana but was filmed mostly around Toronto, with some downtown shots from Cleveland, by Clark, whose other big hits were "Porky's" and "Baby Geniuses." It is pitch-perfect, telling the story through the enthusiastic and single-minded vision of its hero Ralphie, and finding in young Peter Billingsley a sly combination of innocence and calculation.

Ralphie's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Parker, are played by Darren McGavin and Melinda Dillon, and they exude warmth, zest and love: They are about the nicest parents I can remember in a non-smarmy movie. Notice the scene where Mrs. Parker gets her younger son, Randy, to eat his food by pretending he is "mommy's little piggie." Watch the delight in their laughter together. And the enthusiasm with which the Old Man (as he is always called) attacks the (unseen) basement furnace, battles with the evil neighbor dogs and promises to change a tire in "four

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

November 6, 2008

Regional Director Bob Johnson called the meeting to order at Culver's in Maplewood at 6:50 PM. Board members present were Bob Johnson, Bob Gavrilesu, Bob Roth, Harvey Oberg, Dave Gustafson, Tom Brace and Roger Wothe. 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 reported the results of the officer's election for the National LCOC Board of Directors as follows: President – Glen Kramer, Executive Vice President – Art Whitmire, Bob Johnson – Vice President Regions, Secretary - Darren Klingler, Treasurer – Jack Shea. At this month's brunch at Al Baker's on Sunday, November 16th, the First Annual Tim Purvis Award for the Best Lincoln of the Year will be presented. Bob discussed the possible national meets for 2009. Glen Kramer is trying to put together a Mid America Meet in Salado TX for around mid April, a Western Meet in Reno or Salt Lake City and an Eastern Meet in an undecided location.

Treasurer Harvey Oberg reported the treasury balance to be \$4,756.61 with all bills paid.

Membership and Publications Director Dave Gustafson reported the current membership to be approximately one hundred fifty-five. Dues notices will be going out at the first of the year. Everyone agreed that the last issue of the *Continental Comments* was one of the best ever having only one Meet being featured (ours of course) instead of an issue

featuring all of the National Meets in one issue.

Projects Director Bob Gavrilesu reported that there are still CDs of the Duluth Meet available for \$15.00 from either Bob Gavrilesu or Bob Johnson. Dave Gustafson will copy Jay White's fantastic DVD that covers all of our 2008 activities and will be available soon for \$15.00. Region baseball caps are available from Bob Johnson for \$10.00 each.

Activities: Possible activities for next year were discussed. Any members who have ideas for activities, please contact Bob Johnson or anyone on the Board with your suggestions. The activities selected so far may be found in the newsletter.

Election of North Star Region Officers for 2009: Tom Brace moved a white ballot for all of the existing North Star officers. The motion passed unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM. The next meeting will be at Culver's in Maplewood at 7:00 PM on January 8th. There will be no December Board meeting.

Respectfully submitted by Secretary Roger Wothe.

For Sale: 1995 Mark VIII. Black with tan interior, sun roof, new front brakes, Bridgestone tires, mag wheels. Former California car, looks and runs like a new car. Stored over winter months. Call Bob Steiger, 1022 Losey Blvd South, La Crosse, WI, 54601 Phone 608-788-3033, Cell 608-317-2706

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minutes flat--time me!"
And the lovely closing moment as the parents tenderly put their arms around each other on Christmas night.



The Old Man

Some of the movie's sequences stand as classic. The whole business, for example, of the Old Man winning the "major award" of a garish lamp in the shape of a woman's leg (watch Mrs. Parker hiding her giggles in the background as he tries to glue it together after it is "accidentally" broken). Or the visit by Ralphie and Randy to a department store Santa Claus, whose helpers spin the terrified kids around to bang them down on Santa's lap, and afterward kick them down a slide to floor level. Or the sequence where a kid is not merely dared but Triple-Dog-Dared to stick his tongue onto a frozen lamp post, and the fire department has to be called. And the

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More "Crusin'"

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could not believe how many people asked what it was.



Registering our Mark in Gulf Port, Ms. The fun begins here.

We left Biloxi on the 13th and headed for Nashville. We spent a couple of days there and attended the Grand Old Opry, and took the General Jackson Dinner Cruise. We were a little disappointed in the Grand Old Opry, but the dinner cruise show was great! They had Elvis (again Elvis), Elton John and Tina Turner impersonators. They were very good.

We left Nashville on the 16th and headed for home. We arrived home the evening of the 18th.

It really was a great trip. We took lots of tours, ate lots of food, covered lots of miles, spent lots of money (keep that economy rolling) and burned lots of gas. We averaged 15 mpg. It would have been even better, except for our bumper-to bumper stop and go cruising in Mississippi. We had planned this trip the year Katrina struck, and had to cancel it so we were glad we were finally able to do it.

Editors note: This has to be a great way to spend a fall vacation.

WD-40 Revealed

I had a neighbor who had bought a new pickup. I got up very early one Sunday morning and saw that someone had spray painted red all around the sides of this beige truck (for some unknown reason). I went over, woke him up, and told him the bad news. He was very upset and was trying to figure out what to do. Probably nothing until Monday morning, since nothing was open. Another neighbor came out and told him to get his WD-40 and clean it off. It removed the unwanted paint beautifully and did not harm his paint job that was on the truck.

I was impressed! WD-40-- who knew?' Water Displacement #40.

The product began from a search for a rust preventative solvent and degreaser to protect missile parts. WD-40 was Created in 1953 by three technicians at the San Diego Rocket Chemical Company. Its name comes from the project that was to find water Displacement compound. They were successful with the fortieth formulation; thus WD-40. The Corvair Company bought it in bulk to protect their atlas missile parts.

Ken East (one of the original founders) says there is nothing in WD-40 that would hurt you... "It is made from fish oil."

WD-40 fulfills five basic functions:

1. **CLEANS:** WD-40 gets under dirt, grime and grease to clean. It also dissolves adhesives, allowing easy removal of labels, tape and excess bonding material.
2. **DISPLACES MOISTURE:** Because WD-40 displaces moisture, it

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deep disillusionment with which Ralphie finally gets his Little Orphan Annie Secret Decoder Ring in the mail, and Annie's secret message turns out to be nothing but a crummy commercial.



"The Major Award"

There is also the matter of Scut Farcus (Zack Ward), the bully, who Ralphie assures us has yellow eyes. Every school has a kid like this, who picks on smaller kids but is a coward at heart. He makes Ralphie's life a misery. How Farcus gets his comeuppance makes for a deeply satisfying scene, and notice the perfect tact with which Ralphie's mom handles the situation. (Do you agree with me that Dad al-

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Northstar LCOC Welcome Wagon

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This month the Lincoln Welcome Wagon makes a big circle to visit our four newest members. The crisp autumn air, the significantly lower gas prices, and of course the opportunity to meet Lincoln enthusiasts, makes this trip a real pleasure!

It's about 130 miles from Willmar to Brookings, South Dakota. Welcome Philip and Jacquelin Blackford, 115 Pine Ridge Road, Brookings, SD 57006, phone 605-692-5434 pjblackford@swiftel.net. The Blackford garage has had a 1941 Lincoln Cabriolet and a 1941 Packard 160. Those impressive cars have been sold, but Phil is looking for the right '40's Continental to fill that stall in the garage. Contact Philip and Jacquelin if you know of a nice available Continental. As a Shriner, Phil exercises the 1963 and 1965 Lincoln Continental convertibles owned by the Brookings Shrine Club.



From Brookings, it's 140 miles South on I-29 to our second stop in Sioux City, Iowa. I see a silver 1971 Mark III so this must be the right place. It's Richard (Eric) Wissing, 3303 Douglas Street, Sioux City, IA 51104, 712-255-5933, rerics55@aol.com. Eric has had

other collector cars in the past and in searching ebay last summer he found his first Lincoln; a nice low mile, no winters, no rust, Mark III in Des Moines. He drove to Des Moines to look at it and became the new owner. The first car Eric ever drove was his grandfather's new Lincoln in 1965. 43 years later, Eric is enjoying his own Lincoln!

On to Rochester, MN, 275 miles from Sioux City. Brad and Kerry Wiemann, 868 Seventh Avenue SE, Rochester, MN 55904, 507-951-4130, dirtbike1234@charter.net. Brad's black 1986 Lincoln Mark VII



GTC Stage 2 (Roush 351 V8) is probably one of the quicker Lincoln's on the planet. Brad recently bought the rare high performance GTC in Washington State and is looking for the proper wheels (16"x8") for the GTC Stage II.

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More Welcome Wagon

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ready knows the whole story when he sits down at the kitchen table?)

In a poignant way, "A Christmas Story" records a world that no longer quite exists in America. Kids are no longer left unattended in the line for Santa. The innocence of kids' radio programs has been replaced by slick, ironic children's programming on TV. The new Daisy BB guns have a muzzle velocity higher than that of some police revolvers, and are not to be sold to anyone under 16. Nobody knows who Red Ryder was, let alone that his sidekick was Little Beaver.

So much has been forgotten. There is a moment when the Old Man needs an answer for the contest he is entering. The theme of the contest is "Characters in American Literature," and the question is: "What was the name of the Lone Ranger's nephew's horse?" Victor, of course. Everybody knows that.

Roger Ebert, December 24, 2000. From the Internet.

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Hopefully the LCOC members can assist. Brad and Kerry's well kept daily driver is a green 1995 Town Car. Brad also has a brown '74 Dodge Charger Rallye show car with a 360 Magnum V8. Also, a black 1978 Lincoln Mark V which is good driver now but will become a stealthy looking show car in the future.



From Rochester it's only about 100 miles to the home of Pam and Tom Way, 1221 Fifth Avenue, Anoka, MN 55303, 763-421-2928, . Tom and Pam have a nice cream colored 1960 Lincoln Mark V 4 door hardtop which they have had for about 10 years, Tom just picked up a 1960 Premiere parts car so if any LCOC mem-

bers need some parts, call Tom.

Join me in giving each of our new members a BIG LINCOLN WELCOME to the Northstar LCOC, and please add them to your membership directory. With the new year approaching this is a great time to encourage prospective members to join our active and growing Lincoln club; they will THANK YOU for your great suggestion and thoughtfulness.

I hope your holidays are happy and your new year is filled with miles of smiles in your Lincolns!

More WD - 40.....

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quickly dries out electrical systems to eliminate moisture-induced short circuits.

3. PENETRATES: WD-40 loosens rust-to-metal bonds and frees stuck, frozen or rusted metal parts.

4. LUBRICATES: WD-40's lubricating ingredients are widely dispersed and tenaciously held to all moving parts.

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What surfaces or materials are OK to use WD-40 on? WD-40 can be used on just about everything. It is safe for metal, rubber, wood and plastic. WD-40 can be applied to painted metal surfaces without harming the paint. Polycarbonate and clear polystyrene plastic are among the few surfaces on which to avoid using a petroleum-based product like WD-40.

What is the propellant in WD-40 ? A propellant is the stuff that helps pump WD-40 out of the can. The propellant used in WD-40 is carbon dioxide (CO2). CO2 is an inert gas which helps empty the can. Plus, the addition of CO2 reduced the number of VOCs, which helps preserve the environment. Be sure to point the spray nozzle toward the dot on the top of the can to ensure that the can fully empties.

For Sale



This beautiful 1941 Lincoln Continental Coupe was re-stored and modified by long-time North Star LCOC member, the late Tim Purvis. Tim found the car in Syracuse NY in 1986 and spent the next two and a half years restoring and modifying the car.

Modifications: 460 c.i. balanced and blueprinted Lincoln V8 with over 400 horsepower with a Lincoln C6 auto-

matic transmission, Air Ride Technology front and rear suspension, power disc front and drum rear brakes, original 16" wheels and hubcaps with new Diamond Back Classic wide whitewall radial tires, air conditioning, tilt column, cruise control, Sony four speaker AM/FM stereo, power antenna, power windows and keyless entry. The interior is cinnamon velour cord with Mercedes Benz wool carpet. The exterior is two-tone polyurethane paint. The body is French pastel vanilla with roof and fenders medium sand beige.



A list of many more options is available. The asking price is \$36,000, but the owner, Sandra Bjorndahl is open to offers. Please contact Roger Wothe for more details: 952-933-9981 days, 952-473-3038 evenings and weekends or rwothe@mchsi.com.



For Sale - 1947 Continental Coupe'

Solid driver with good starting and running original V12 and overdrive.

Green exterior, older presentable paint. All chrome good to excellent condition.

Green Leather and whipcord interior, mostly original.

Recent work includes rebuilt: front suspension, brakes and new brake lines, carburetor, water pumps, power windows, and installation of PCV system. New battery, tires, hoses and thermostats. NOS steering wheel. I have most of the history of the car. It was owned by the Towe Ford museum in Montana where it was on display and not driven for thirty years.

Fairly priced at \$24,500. Photos available. Please call Byron Olsen at 651-646-5534 email: byronolsen@comcast.net

For Sale....



1949 Lincoln 9EL Black Sport Sedan. Like new factory paint. New carpeting. Chrome is in excellent condition. Front seat upholstery needs some attention. Engine runs perfect and doesn't use any oil. Car has Hydramatic automatic four speed drive. Radial whitewall tires.

I am the second owner of this fine Lincoln, which I purchased in 1990 with 28,266 original miles. It had been stored in a heated garage for its first 40 years. The Mileage is now 43,500. Fairly priced at \$20,000.

Call Larry Trusty at 507.645.6799.
Northfield, MN



An Amazing Opportunity

A beautiful 1954 Lincoln Capri Convertible is now available, and it could be yours. This Lincoln is very well equipped with all of the factory accessories available in 1954, including electric windows, power steering and brakes. A new cloth top along with top weather strips were installed, May 2008. Powered by the OHV 317 cubic inch V8 engine, with powered delivered to the rear wheels by the fast shifting four speed Hydramatic transmission. Very fairly priced at \$29,500. Please call me today and let's talk about this very fine Lincoln. Ed Haedtke at 763-427-5797.

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

For Sale Mark II

In last stages of restoration, this Mark II, remains unfinished due to the passing of it's owner, Bill Reese. Elizabeth Reese would now like to sell this "Gem in the Rough", to someone in the Lincoln Club who will complete the small amount of the work necessary to restore it to it's once proud beauty. Elizabeth is open to offers and may be reached at 952-471-9467 until late November, when she may be reached in Tucson, AZ at 502-818-1222.

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 - For Sale

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

For Sale: Very nice 1987 Lincoln Town Car,
America's Cup Edition, White with dark blue
sail cloth top, white & blue leather, wire
spoke wheels, no winters, 118K miles,
\$2787/offer

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

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

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.

For Sale Grandma's Car

1980 Mark VI Givenchy. Car has under
36000 miles, was stored since 2001. Car
was Grandmothers and not driven for many
years. Put new gas and battery in and
started right up, car does run but needs
some work and back bumper is rusty other
wise car is in great shape. This car is loaded
with options, has red leather interior. We
would like to sell to a person that has an
interest in Lincolns. Please call Jerry, if you
are interested, best offer will be considered,
651-455-5440, please leave message

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....



For Sale

1989 Lincoln Town Car 8-9 passenger Limo. Silver with dark blue leather interior. 63,000 actual miles. Always privately owned, not a rental. Hess-Eisenhart conversion, 56 inch stretch, 4 door + 2 hidden doors for easy entry/exit - unique! Just serviced, drive anywhere. Very nice classy car for only \$4989. Francis Kalvoda, 320-235-5777.

For Sale: 1989 Lincoln Town Car, white with tan cloth interior. Good work or school car. \$800. 320-599-5130

For Sale

Very low mileage 1948 Lincoln Continental Cabriolet. 26,000 Miles on this totally restored, mint condition Lincoln.

V12 , Radio, Overdrive all work as they should. New tan top installed. Burgundy with Burgundy leather interior. 6/12 battery for easy starting. California cover, nice white sidewall tires. Recently appraised as a 98 point car. Ready for show and next years driving season. \$65,000

Contact Douglas Gracey 507-282-5554

For Sale

1939 Lincoln Zephyr 4 door sedan sheet metal only! This car has been completely disassembled and stored for over 35 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: kflick@frontiernet.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 952-851-2721

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

- December No events planned for December. Spend some time with friends and family, reward your long suffering spouse with some fine car parts or a nice new set of Craftsman tools.
- January Sunday, January 4th, Brunch at Tinucci's, Newport 11:30AM
- February Pot Luck with CCCA. Date to be determined
- March Saturday, March 14th, 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 11th Ave SW, Forest Lake MN.
Sunday Brunch, to be determined
- April Mid America National Meet, Salado, Texas, April 23-26
Sunday Brunch, April 12th. At 11:30 AM. Jake O'Conner's, Public House, Excelsior MN. We will order off the menu.
- May 1st Annual Lincoln Car Show, Morries. Minnetonka, Saturday, May 23rd. 10 AM to 3 PM
- June Western National Meet – Reno, NV. June 11-14
Woody's, Sunday Brunch, Woodys, Plymouth, Sunday
June 21st at 11:30 AM
- July Prior Lake, Lake Front Park, summer pot luck picnic,.

This is your Next to the Last Chance

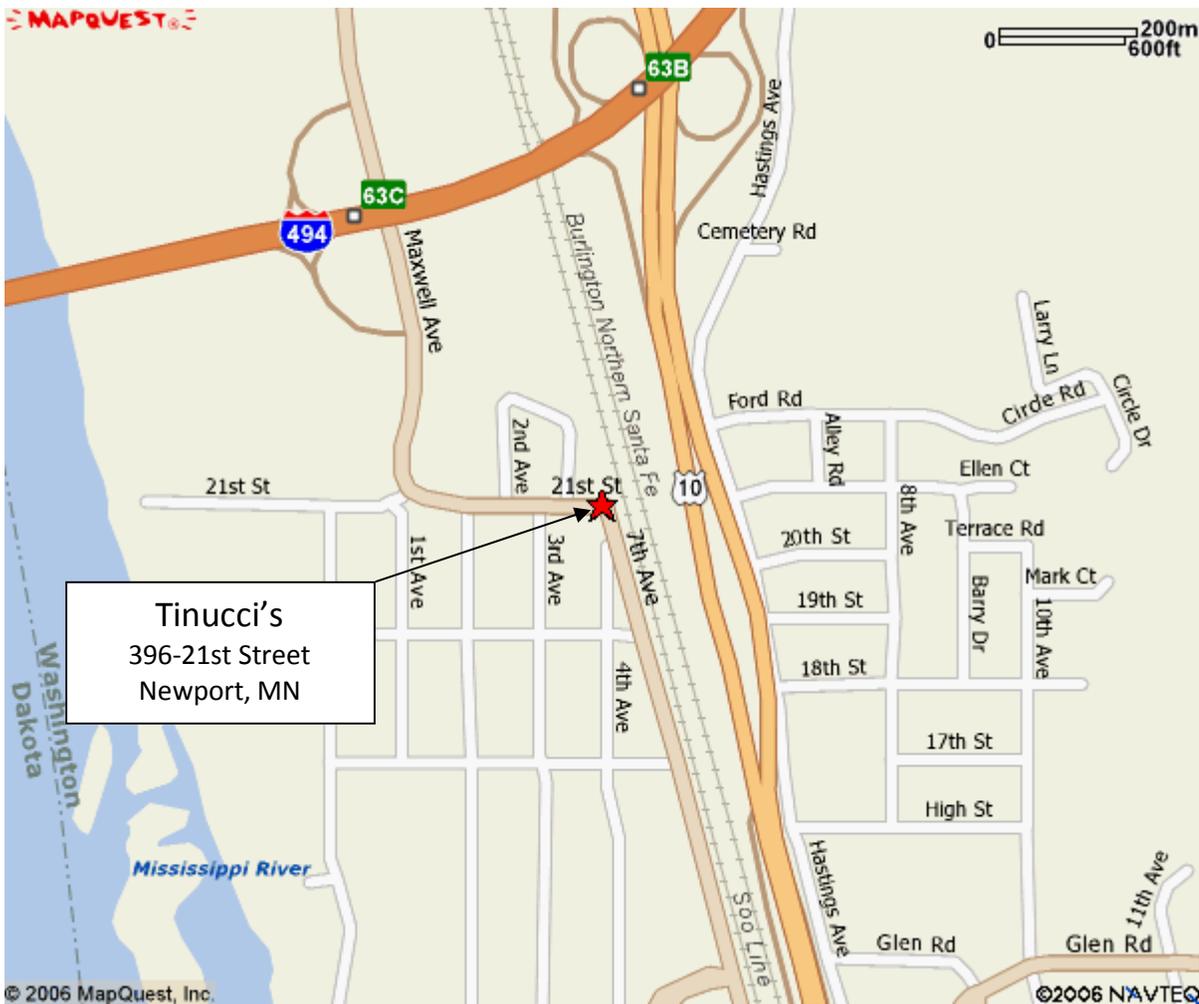
For every story about a member's favorite Lincoln (the Pride and Joy front cover article), we will send out a 2009 Northstar LCOC Club Calendar. This twelve month calendar will feature pictures of our members fine cars in color, and is now available. We need your stories and you can always use a 2009 calendar. Please send your story today to NSLCOC, 308 Brandywine Drive, Burnsville, MN 55337.

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January Brunch at Tinucci's



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Our January event will be at Tinucci's, in beautiful downtown Newport. Be there at 11:30AM, Sunday, January 4th.

Set your GPS for 396 -21st Street, Newport, MN 55055, or get out your AAA map and plan the quickest route to Tinucci's as you won't want to miss any of the good food and good friends.

A great way to start the new year and start the full schedule of North-star activities for 2009.

Carved round of beef, pit ham, eggs Benedict, scrambled or baked eggs, French Toast, baked chicken, barbecue ribs, hash browns, muffins, orange juice, desert bar, fresh fruit, and much more await the eager eaters from the Lincoln Club! Best brunch value in town. Great way to start your Sunday!

RSVP Bob Johnson, 651-257-1715, (email: arborbob41@aol.com by December 31st.