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

## My Pride and Joy



Ingve and Britt's 1973 Custom convertible

To quote Bob Johnson "The Journey Continues in our Marvelous Lincoln (s)". And indeed, it really does. This is Lincoln went on to new owners over in the story of the passing of the torch from one Lincoln owner to another. We have to remember, that we are just caretakers of our beloved Lincolns, treating them with love and kindness, till that time that they go into the hands of their new owners. We all hope that those that succeed us are worthy of that trust, and that in turn pass them on in good condition to new owners for the years that lie ahead.

Back in August of 2002, our feature car This is our story how and why we acwas a 1973 Lincoln Custom Convertible owned by Milt and Mardy Peterson,

long time LCOC and Northstar members. Within a year of that story, the Norway.

Let us begin our story with a reprint of that Pride and Joy article from August, 2008.

Our Black Beauty by Milt and Mardy Peterson.....

"We saw it in Hemmings Motor News"

quired Black Beauty. Back on April

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#### **NORTHSTAR NEWS**

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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.

### Pride and Joy continued....

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24, 1983, we attended the first meeting on the forming of the Northstar Region. It's been a mystery to us that nobody can remember us being there. We have been an active and charter members from that day on. We have also been long time members of LCOC.

On that particular day we drove our 1957 Mercury Turnpike Cruiser. We were so thrilled about being members we decided we wanted to purchase a Lincoln convertible to drive and show at the meets. Regretfully, we sold the Mercury. Then we pondered over the big question what year we should look for?



The 1957 Mercury Turnpike Cruiser convertible was a replica of the pace car. A true classic. We wanted to replace it with a unique and rare automobile. We had heard about Andy Hotton, the founder of Andy Hotton Enterprises, a Michigan company which has built countless prototypes for the Ford Motor Company, starting with the original Thunderbird. He is widely known for his excellent work doing many conversions on cars, limousines, hearses and flower cars. He did conversions for President Jimmy Carter, many movie stars and other famous people. In the early 70's, the Hotton firm turned out a few convertible

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# Trivia from the Internet



Dr. Robert Adler 1913–2007 Helped to create the "Couch Potato"

Dr. Robert Adler is best known as the "Father of the TV Remote Control". He developed the first television remote control which was introduced in 1956 by Zenith Radio Corporation.

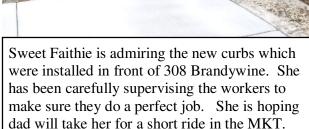
Robert Adler was born in Vienna, Austria, in 1913. After receiving his doctorate in physics at age 24 from the University of Vienna (1937), he became engaged in patent work there, and later went to

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### Editors Message

Marion, Faithie and I are getting somewhat tired of all the cold, cloudy and rainy days. As I reported last month we are in the process of getting new water lines and a completely new

streets and curbs. What with all the rain, Brandywine and Fourth avenue have become muddy and occasionally difficult to transverse. The last time we had any of the older cars out was the weekend of Morrie's show. The end is in sight. All the



new lines have been buried, new curbs installed, and I am guessing that we may have that first layer of asphalt installed by July 1st.

Morries third annual car show was a lot of fun for those attending. It was a wonderful opportunity for us to just sit around and visit with some of our members who, unfortunately, we see only a few times a year. We want to thank Morrie Wegener and John Aretz, the general manager of Morries Ford Lincoln in Minnetonka for their wonderful hospitality and the great door prizes. They are a first class operation, and if you need a new Ford produce, that is the place to go. The weather was not too bad, and at least Marion and I got home with out running into a lot of rain. Most of the rain hit on the North side and we missed most of it. June has been a very strange month with the temperature

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running from the very, very warm (over 103 degrees) to needing jackets to feel comfortable. We just sort of got cheated out of a month of our precious summer.

I recently received a email from one of our members. Rori Eisenberg. She has been under the weather for some time, and Faythe Oberg, the Lincoln club's "Sunshine Lady", became aware of her illness and sent off a card

to her. It was much appreciated and Rori wanted express her thanks to the club for our thoughtfulness. So if you know of a club member who could use a little "cheering up" give Faythe Oberg a call, and she will send out a card. I also want to thank Jay White for the information relative to the substitution of new electronics for the older troublesome relays found in the Continental convertibles of the '60's. Also, thanks Jay for some of the pictures of the Morries show which we have printed further inside the newsletter.

Our next event is the car show at Kolacky Days down in Montgomery. Lincoln will be featured and I hope to see you all there with your best Lincolns.

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

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England. After the war broke out, he emigrated to the US, and in 1941 he found work in the Research division of Zenith Electronics Corporation (then Zenith Radio Corporation), Chicago.

Electromechanical devices interested Adler for a long time. During World War II, Adler specialized in military communications equipment, including high-frequency oscillators and electromechanical filters for aírcraft radios. Remote control of television receivers by an ultrasonic gong grew out of this work.

After the war, Adler turned his attention specifically to television technology. One early invention of Adler's was the "gated-beam" vacum tube, which eliminated a great deal of sound interference in television receivers at one

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### Directors Message by Bob Johnson

July 2011



With summer finally here, it was time to put 3250 miles on cruise to Laconia, New Hampshire. Our Mark VII averaged 24.2 MPG. Mary said enough trips for this summer.

We did miss the 102 degree weather. We were in Indiana visiting our daughter and her family. Have you had your Lincoln out and enjoyed a summer cruise yet? Please look for other Lin-

colns and talk to owners, invite them to our events and ask them to join LCOC and our North Star Region

We have added another activity; please join us on Sunday, October 9<sup>th</sup>, for the Taylors Falls Scenic Boat Tour, on the St Croix River, 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM with an On Board Luncheon. Boarding time is 10:45 AM. Luncheon features Chicken with all the fixins, \$27.00 per person includes tax and tip. This is a beautiful time of the year with all the very colorful Maple and Oak leaves to hop on a boat and take a cruise on the very picturesque St. Croix river.

Our next Region Car Show is the 9th Annual Out State Lincoln Car Show – Saturday July 23 – Montgomery, MN, as part of Kolacky Days 13th Annual Classic Car Show, 9 AM to 3 PM, with a \$8 entry fee. Lincoln will be the featured model with a separate area for parking our classics. The car show will be from 10 AM to 2 PM, with Kolacky Days awards at 3:00PM. There will be a "Car Cruise" following the awards. We will still have our regular awards, Peoples Choice for Best of Show, Long Distance Award, and Door Prizes. This will be a fun event and hope everyone can cruise down to Montgomery, which is about 60 miles South of Bloomington.

Our first car show for 2011 was on Saturday, May 28<sup>th</sup>, Memorial Day weekend, at Morries Ford Lincoln, complete article about this great car show is elsewhere in Newsletter.

The North Star Region had four cars travel to the Eastern National meet in Laconia, NH, June 2-5, 2011. This was at least a 3,000 mile round trip for the Mary and I; John and Dorothy Palmer, Jack and Marilyn Fletcher, and Gaye Purvis and Dick Eilers. There is more information in an companion article in the newsletter.

Dave still needs "MY PRIDE and JOY ARTICLES". We want to feature your Lincoln, but first you have to write the article, if you need help, Dave Gustafson will help you in any way possible. It is just fantastic to have a car article about a former region car that is now in Norway, thank you Brit and Ingve Jensen.

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

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stroke, thus reducing costs as well.
Adler also led the
team that invented
a special synchronizing circuit that
improved reception
at the fringes of a
television station's
broadcast area.

But Adler's greatest tríumph was the wireless remote control. The first machines to be operated by remote control were used mainly for military purposes. Radio-controlled motorboats, developed by the German navy, were used to ram enemy ships in WWI. Radio controlled bombs and other remote control weapons were used in WWII. Once the wars were over. United States scientists experimented to find nonmílítary uses for the remote control. In the late 1940's automatíc garage door openers were invented, and in the 1950's

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### June Northstar Board Meeting

### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

June 13, 2011

Regional Director Bob Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM at Culver's Restaurant in Maplewood. Board members present were Bob Johnson, Harvey Oberg, Dave Gustafson, Bob Gavrilescu, Tom Brace, Bob Roth and Roger Wothe. Other Region members present were Faye Oberg and Barb Wothe. The minutes of the previous meeting and the agenda of this meeting were approved.

#### **DIRECTORS REPORTS**

Regional Director Bob Johnson presented the idea of members being able to preorder Mid America Meet clothing merchandise before the meet. Barb Wothe provided an order form to be included in the next *Northstar News*. The first round of pre-orders must be received by August 22. Depending on how that goes we may have another round of pre-ordering later. All of the clothing will be white with the Meet logo applied. Bob presented a Taylors Falls Scenic Boat Tour for Sunday, October 9. Details will be in the newsletter. Our fall picnic and auction at Morries on Sunday 30 October will be with the same schedule as last year: tour of the car collection from 10:00 AM until noon, followed by lunch and then the auction.

Treasurer Harvey Oberg reported the treasury balance to be \$2,913.90 with all bills paid.

Membership and Publications Director Dave Gustafson reported the paid membership to be approximately one hundred fifty. Please send your "My Pride and Joy" articles to Dave.

Activities: The ninth Annual Out State Car Show will be Saturday, July 23, at Kolacky Days in Montgomery MN with awards and a car cruise to follow. Please RSVP to Bob Johnson (651) 257-1715.

The next Sunday brunch is August 14, at Lord Fletchers on Lake Minnetonka at 11:30 AM. The price of \$24.35 includes the tax and gratuity. Please contact Barb or Roger Wothe by Wednesday of that week at (952) 473-3038 or <a href="mailto:rwothe@mchsi.com">rwothe@mchsi.com</a>. A schedule of other activities may be found in the newsletter.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 PM. The next meeting will be Thursday, July 7, at 7:00 PM at Culver's in Maplewood.

Respectfully submitted by Treasurer Roger Wothe

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the first TV remote controls were used. The first TV remote control, called "Lazy Bones," was developed in 1950 by Zenith Radio Corporation. Lazy Bones used a cable that ran from the TV set to the



An early Zenith
"Space Commander"
Remote Control

víewer. A motor ín the TV set operated the tuner through the remote control. Although customers liked having remote control of their television, they complained that people tripped over the unsightly cable that meandered across the living room floor. Zeníth engíneer Eugene Polley invented the "Flashmatic," which represented

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### LCOC Eastern National Meet

By Bob Johnson

We all say that our Lincolns were built to be driven. We drove over 1500 miles to get to Laconia, NH, for the Eastern National Meet, June 2-5, 2011.



Jack and Marilyn Fletcher, John and Dorothy Palmer; and Mary and Bob Johnson at the LCOC Eastern National Meet this past June

Our North Star Region was represented by Mary and I, John and Dorothy Palmer, Gaye Purvis and Dick Eilers and Jack and Marilyn Fletcher, Poplar Grove, IL. This meet had over 50 cars shown with a variety of all years. Mary and I won another Emeritus Award with our 1989 Mark VII custom convertible, John and Dorothy Palmer won their first Emeritus Award with their 1989 Mark VII. And to make it a perfect day, Marilyn Fletcher won a Lincoln Trophy with her 1996 Town Car. Gaye Purvis entered her 2002 Blackwood Pickup in the Exhibition Class.

What was neat about the parking on show field was the Palmer's, Johnson's and Fletcher's cars were parked next to each other. Gaye Purvis's Blackwood was about 10 cars further down the same row.



Marilyn Fletcher's 1996 Town Car, Bob and Mary Johnson's Mark VII and John and Dorothy Palmer's Mark VII.

The New England Region put on a great meet, everyone had fun and enjoyed the Laconia area. I want to thank Charlie Blais and all the people who worked so hard to make this meet a success. If you can spare the time, I would suggest that you attend one of the national meets. It is a great opportunity to meet some of the very fine members from the other regions and make some great friends.

There are two more National Lincoln and Continental Owners Club meets scheduled for this year.

The next one is the Mid-America, to be held in Pontiac, Michigan, July 27 through July 31. Hosted by the Michigan Region this should be a good show. Registration cutoff is July 9th, for more information go to their website: www.lcoc2011mam.com.

The Pacific Region is hosting the Western National Meet, September 14 through September 18 in Redmond, Oregon. Both shows should have a lot to offer club members, some terrific tours and events scheduled for each meet and the very best of scenery to enjoy while driving there in your Lincoln.

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the industry's first wireless TV remote. Introduced in 1955, Flashmatíc operated by means of four photo cells, one in each corner of the TV cabinet around the screen. While it pioneered the concept of wireless TV remote control, the Flashmatic had some límítatíons. It was a simple device that had no protection circuits and, if the TV sat in an area in which the sun shone directly on it, the tuner might start rotating. Zenith management loved the concepts proven by Polley's Flashmatic and directed his engi neers to develop a better remote control. First thoughts poínted to radio. But, because they travel through walls, radio waves could inadver tently control a TV set in an adjacent apartment or room. Using distinctive sound signals was discussed, but Zenith engineers believed

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### Our Pride and Joy continued...

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conversions each year. We thought it would be a great find if we could locate one of those very special conversions. Six years went by with much patience, which finally paid off. We saw Black Beauty in a copper color in Hemmings Motor News. We purchased the car via telephone from Manhattan Vintage Cars, Gaithersburg, Maryland on June 14th 1989. The mileage at the time was 60,577, and was properly documented as original. We arranged to have the car shipped by North American Van Lines, and the car arrived as described in excellent condition with no rust. The interior was excellent and all it needed was a good cleaning. We drove the car around for about a month before we entered into an almost complete body restoration. The copper color was not a concern, because we were changing it to black. We sent the car off to the shop for painting and other work as required. Seven months later, the car came back home on January 15th, 1990, only to be covered and stored for the rest of the winter.

Our first showing was in Indianapolis on June 15th, 1990. The car was judged at 97.5 points, the engine had not been detailed at that time. We also decided that we were in the wrong class. We subsequently were able to have it certified in the Custom Class. The highlight of Indianapolis was the privilege of lapping the 500 track and having a photo of our Black Beauty on the front of Continental Comments. Shortly after the Indy meet, the car was driven back to Andy Hotton to replace the original

grille, which had been damaged from acid corrosion in the lower channel. It was a miracle they had the mold some 28 years later. This was a special grill Andy used on all of his conversions, reflecting the MK IV era. Also unique to these conversions was the hump on the deck lid, which was tied back to the earlier Marks. We also wanted to have new rubber moldings installed and had some adjustments made to the top. The car was left with Andy and we flew back home. When the car was finished, we had it shipped back to us in the Twin Cities. Andy said he remembered the copper color, because it was the only one out of 14 cars built by him in 1973.

We also have had the pleasure of owning Lincolns as our everyday drivers since 1966. I also share the birth year 1921 with the Lincoln Motor Car Company. We have enjoyed 32 years with our yesterday collector cars, but Black Beauty is our favorite. We are going to show the car for the last time at Treasure Island in August. Then this rare one of a kind beauty will be for sale, hopefully, going to one of our Northstar club members. We intend to keep our membership in both clubs, but at my age, I can live with the wonderful memories that Mardy and I have shared in our car world.

Thanks for all the good times. Milt and Mardy Peterson.

The second part of the story begins with the visit last fall from Ingve Jen-

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people might not like hearing a certain sound that would become characteristic of operating the TV set through a remote control. It also would be difficult to find a sound that wouldn't accidentally be duplicated by either household noises or by the sound coming from TV programming.

Robert Adler's solution was for the remote to "communicate" with the TV by sound, not light --- specifically, by ultrasound, that is, at frequencies higher than the human ear can hear. Adler's remote control unit itself was very simple: it did not even require batteries. The buttons struck one of four lightweight aluminum rods inside the unit, like a piano's keys stríke íts stríngs. The receiver in the TV interpreted these high-frequency tones as signaling channelup, channel-down,

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### More Pride and Joy...

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sen and his wife Britt Hamre, from Norway. Ingve and Britt took in our October Northstar LCOC board meeting and it was a great pleasure to learn about their collection of Lincolns. Even though we are separated by many miles, we found that we have many things in common, especially our love affair with the Lincoln brand. Ingve and Britt promised to stay in touch with us, and a few weeks ago, we learned that Milt and Mardy's black 1973 Custom Convertible found it's way into their loving hands, or should we say, spacious garage. Now here is a few words from Ingve about his Pride and Joy.

My name is Ingve Jensen, I am a member of LCOC Norway. As you know, we visited North Star Region in October 2010, and now we are more connected as I have bought a car that used to "live" in the Twin Cities.

When I was 11 years, in 1969, my older brother bought a 1957 Chevy, and that day, I decided that I was going to buy something similar sometime... So I did.

In 1974, some two years before I could take my driver's license, I bought this car that my brother had owned. After a couple of Chevy's, I bought a loaded 1972 Ford LTD convertible. At that time, my brother had a 1963 Lincoln convertible, and that helped me "see the light".

For the next few years, I owned a lot of cars, and in 1998 I bought my first Lincoln, a '84 Mark VII. The year after, on my first trip to the United

States, I bought 1969 Mark III and 1965 Continental convertible. I bought a '93 Mark VIII from LA in 2004, and I paid \$7,000 (US Dollars) for it in the US, and the bill to get the license plates in Norway was \$25, 000 (USD). And that was only a very words about Norwegian tax policy..... For information, the tax is not that high for cars older than 30 years. The gas price in Norway today, is \$10.06 USD per gallon.

In the years between, Lincoln's have been sold and bought, now I have '56 Mark II, '66 Convertible, '67 Convertible, '92 Continental, '93 Mark VIII, but Our Pride and Joy is the recently acquired '73 Continental convertible. I have wanted this car from the first time I saw it, on a local car meeting in 2007. LCOC-member Kjell-Elias Håkonsen had bought it from Milt and Mardy Peterson, and when the car came up for sale, I just had to buy it. This car has the same convertible top as my first Ford product, - the LTD, - so now the circle is closed.

The car is in very good shape, and we use it for car events and if we get more than 59 degrees and sun.

We look forward to take it to the National Lincoln meet June 18th, 270 miles away. It is a good ride even on narrow roads, so now we look forward to many miles and many warm and sunny days for the the years to come.

Regards, Brit & Ingve

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sound on/off, or power on/off. The necessary 30% increase in cost was imposing to consumers at first, but there was no doubt about the popularity of the system. The creator of the first practical wireless TV remote control, Dr. Robert Adler, paved the way for TV viewers to become couch potatoes more than 40 years ago.

In the 1960s, Adler modified his system to generate the ultrasonic signals electronically. Over the next twenty years, the ultrasound TV remote control was slowly becoming a standard adjunct to the television. By the time remote technology moved on to infrared light technology in the early 1980s, more than níne million TVs had been sold, by Zenith and others, with Adler's remote control system.

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### June Brunch

On Sunday, June 12<sup>th</sup> we had a breakfast buffet, at the Cornerstone Pub & Grill. The breakfast was very good and we were all pleasantly surprised at low price.



Great Lincolns in the parking lot

We had the benefit of a private seating area, which worked well to encourage discussion between those present. And, it was easy for us to wander around from one table to another to talk with members who we only see a few times a year. The afternoon was spent visiting with a lot fun and story telling, and good time was had by all who attended.



There appears to be some question as to who has the money to pay the check.

Thirty-two members drove North on I35 to this very quaint restaurant in the town of Wyoming, Minnesota. There was a wide assortment of various Lincolns out in the parking lot to look over, before and after our meal. One great older Cadillac was there, among the Lincolns. The owner, Ken Sampson, normally a true blue Lin-

coln guy, finally admitted being the owner. It was a very nice, older first generation Eldorado, from the late seventies and it seemed to be quite at home along with the Lincolns. Ken got it for the right price and after a good clean-up, it really looks good.

One of the highlights of the brunch was the IDS building sized trophy that Dorothy Palmer presented to Brad and Carole Yoho. Their 1951 Kaiser Manhattan twodoor sedan won a top prize at the Barnum car show. As Brad and Carole had



to leave the show before the trophies were awarded, John and Dorothy accepted on their behalf. What a surprise for the Yoho's. It is rumored that the ceiling in the Brad and Carole's home will have to be raised a bit to accommodate this major award.

Our top door prize was a women's Region Denim shirt was won by Carole Yoho and several other door prizes including Lincoln fleece throws and Lincoln caps were given away.

The weather was trying to storm, but we were able to stay dry for most of the day. In spite of the weather, it was a great day to spend with good friends from the Lincoln club. (Continued from page 9)

In addition to his own research, in the thirty-five years after he joined the research group at Zeníth, he played an increasingly important role in forging one of the great industrial research teams in the U.S., at times numbering more than three hundred people. By 1963, Adler had rísen to Více and President and Director of Research at Zenith. Adler officially "retired" as Zeníth's více presídent of research in 1982. He continued as a consultant to Zeníth untíl 1997. He was also research director of the Extel Corporation in Northbrook, Illinois. Always committed to the continuing education of engineers, Adler also served as an adjunct professor of electrical engineering at the University of Illinois at Urbana.

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### Morries Third Annual Lincoln Car Show



Jeff Eisenberg's Mark II, the first place people's choice award, best of show.

A forecast of bad weather and a late afternoon storm still couldn't keep away 27 beautiful Lincolns and their owners for our 3rd Annual Lincoln Car Show at Morries Minnetonka Ford-Lincoln on Saturday May 28<sup>th</sup>.



Gary Rosenwinkel's 1957 Premiere



Hold it! I think that you are going to like this picture. Left to Right; Mary Johnson, Barb Wothe, Faythe Oberg, Jeanine Nelson, Donna Nelson and Sharon Flick.

To say that this show was a great success, does not fully describe the enjoyment had by all that attended. The real story was how Morrie's Dealer-

ship made everyone feel so very welcome, this year they supplied us with enough door prizes that we were able to give everyone who attended something. Door prizes provided by Morries included four George Foreman grills, Lincoln baseball caps and Lincoln key rings. This day was spent



Jay White's white Continental

socializing with wonderful people and good friends, which is what the old car hobby is all about.

We had two great Lincolns shown for



Bill Allen's 1978 Mark V

the first time, Nick White, Minneapolis with a 1984 Town Car and Bill Allen, Prior Lake, with a 1978 Mark V. The oldest car at this show was driven by Karl and Sharon Flick, Apple Valley; a 1939 Zephyr Sedan. The newest car was again a 2010 MKT driven by Marion Gustafson, Burnsville.

Our Peoples Choice Award for Best of Show, 1st Place Award went to a Maroon 1956 Mark II, Jeff Eisenburg from Plymouth. Our 2nd Place Award

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Robert Adler has been granted 180 U.S. patents for electronics devices, whose applications run from the esoteric to the everyday; he is best known as the a pioneer in the development of the remote control. He also published over 45 technical papers and artícles. He was elected fellow of the IEEE in 1951 "for his development of transmission and detection devices for frequency modulated signals and of electro-mechanical filter systems."

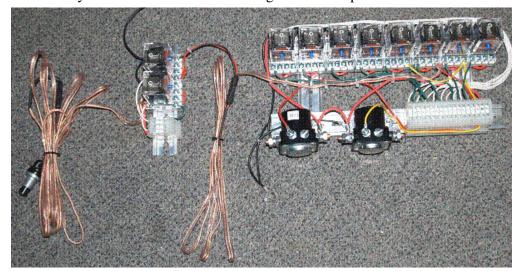
He received the
Outstanding Technical Achievement
Award in 1958, the
Inventor of the
Year award from
George Washington
University in 1967,
the IEEE Outstanding Achievement Award in
Consumer Electronics in 1970, the Outstanding Technical
Paper Award from

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### Fix it once and for Ever....

By Jay White

Having a slab sided Lincoln means that you are always looking for ways to make sure that damn top always works. Each time I push the button for that top to operate, I always hold my breath. I've been down in Southern Minnesota in July and the sun just required the top to be up and, well, you guessed it. I had to disconnect the pistons and lower the rear deck by hand to get it to close just so I could get home. And it always seems to fail whenever a large rain cloud passes overhead.



The "Ultimate Fix" digital control assembly for 1960 - 1965 Continentals

In any event, I've had some conversations with the big bird club, many members who have convertibles have found a gentleman that has put together a digital solid state control system that virtually solves the problems that many of us have been fighting with over the years. As any good electronic specialist will tell you that relay systems have to be operated frequently, or they will eventually fail to operate. This kit, located in the same place behind the rear seat is fairly easy to connect to the existing wiring and should make your world much, much better.

I contacted John Draxler, of the TBird Ranch (email: jdrax@tbirdranch.com - phone 715.884.6546) and he forwarded me additional information regarding the installation and cost. It is not cheap, \$700, but, it would seem that this would be money well spent to avoid the aggravation from the top not working, especially when it is really important that it should.

\$700 buys you a kit, and with that, some work, namely installation on your part is required. From the instructions that I received from John Draxler, this does not appear to be a project for the faint of heart. But, if you have minimal skills and can read and follow directions, Mr. Draxler believes that it is installable by most shade tree mechanics. The kit is presently available for 1960 to 1965 Lincoln convertibles, and John reports that there are three in service and they work exceptionally well.

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the Chicago Section of the IFFF in 1974, and the Edison Medal in 1980. He was a fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science and a member of the National Academy of Engineering.

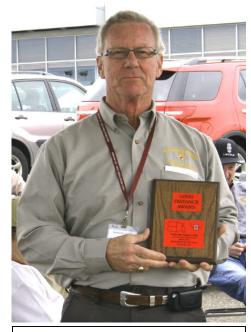
Today, remote control is a standard feature on other consumer electronics products, including VCRs, cable and satellite boxes, digital video disc players and home audio receivers. And the most sophisticated TV sets have remotes with as many as 50 buttons.

In 2000, more than 99 percent of all TV sets and 100 percent of all VCRs and DVD players sold in the United States are equipped with remote control.

From the Internet

### More Car Show

went to a Blue and White Bill Blass, 1980 Mark VI, Bob and Nan Roth, Plymouth. Our 3rd place award and went to a 1978 Mark V, Bill and Donna Nelson Allen, Prior Lake.



Roger Leppla received the long distance award.

Our Long Distance Award was presented to Roger and Jan Leppla, with a 2005 Lincoln LS Sedan from Princeton.

Once again we want to thank Morrie's, for supplying door prizes, a great lunch and hosting this event at their dealership. A special thank you goes to John Aretz, General Manager and his staff for all their work to make this such a great car show. John even put up a bigger tent to provide more cover for everyone attending car show.

We look forward to doing the 4th Annual Classic Lincoln Car Show in 2012, again on Saturday, May 25th, Memorial Day weekend. Be sure to mark your calendars now to set that date aside for this great show.



John Aretz, General Manager of Morries, Ford Lincoln receiving the commemorative plaque from Bob Johnson.

We want to thank every one who attended this car show; your effort to bring your car to this type of event is appreciated by others that are not fortunate enough to have a Lincoln.

### Fix that Top....

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Now this does not fix the problem with the rear window retraction problem when you open the rear passenger doors but that's another story and another year. The TBird Ranch is located in the middle of Wisconsin and he will install for you if need be, but he said he has a list of customers that it will take awhile.

Editor's note: We want to thank Jay White very much for contributing this article. Top problems have been plaguing Continental owners since the early 1960's and this indeed may be the solution to the problem. We hope that Jay will be kind enough to share his experiences with the installation of this kit in his convertible. And maybe provide us with a few pictures too.

### You May Be Interested in these Items for Sale

#### For Sale:

I am offering up for Sale the **2002 Blackwood LT**. to the local LCOC members first before I go national. I believe most of the members know about the truck as one of the best. Always garaged and it has all the bells and whistles you could have in any vehicle. Too many to mention, including heated and air conditioned seats. I'm not sure of the mileage but it is in the 40,000 area. We drive it sparely, just enough to keep it fresh. I will also be putting both the 56 MK II and 70 MK III for sale in the near future. Watch for them when the weather warms up a bit. Of course you all know that Tim Purvis was the builder, and he was the best. Please contact Gaye Purvis at 651-459-6176 or Cell 651-233-9976 or email <a href="mailto:Dickido@AOL.com">Dickido@AOL.com</a>

#### For Sale:

**1948 Continental Coupe**. Has had a complete engine rebuild 400 miles ago by Adelman engines.. New brakes, battery, chrome has been re-plated, new dark green paint, new tires, good working overdrive. Needs upholstery. Very fairly priced at *\$17,000*. Call Ted Anderson, 763.561.8143.

#### For Sale:

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

#### For Sale:

**1956 Lincoln** Pink Pearl **Premiere** 2 dr HT. \$27000. **1956** White Pearl Lincoln **Continental Mark II**, \$25000. **1956 Lincoln Convertible** with parts car, \$20000. Jack Simler, 320-834-4784.

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

#### For Sale:

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

#### For Sale:

**1980 Mark VI Givenchy Coupe**, New FoMoCo 302 V8 has 40000 miles; car needs a little TLC, \$2500/ offer. 320-429-0139

### For Sale

#### For Sale:

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

### For Sale:

**1991 Lincoln Town Car** Executive Series - 17,900 one owner miles, always garaged and well cared for all it's life. Garnet Red with light gray leather interior. Asking \$7,900. Contact Steve Schneider, Oakbrook, IL area, 630.479.1778

#### For Sale

**1957 Lincoln Premiere** Two door hardtop. Frame off restoration, with everything either rebuilt or replaced by a long time Ford mechanic. It has been done right and the car is probably in better condition than when it left the factory in 1957. Body work and paint done by a well known area shop. It is absolutely beautiful, and would easily score close to 100 points at any LCOC meet. Over \$41,000 restoration costs. This Premiere has all of the accessories, with the exception of air conditioning. If you want one of the finest 1957 Premieres, please call John Boegeman at 952.445.3004. Remember, you cannot buy and restore one to this condition for less than my asking price.

#### For Sale:

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

### For Sale:

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

Please call Gordy Jensen at 612.819.2107

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Safe, Secure Storage for your classic now available Southwest Metro Location. Contact Connie 952-835-4148

## Preview of Coming Events

Mid America National Meet, Pontiac, Michigan. July 27 – 31 July

> 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Out State Lincoln Car Show – Saturday July 23 – Montgomery, MN, as part of Kolacky Days, 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Classic Car Show, July 23, 9 AM to 3 PM, \$8 entry fee. Lincoln will be featured model with separate parking. We have our car show 10 AM to 2 PM, at 3 PM will be Kolacky Days awards. with Car Cruise following awards. Please call Bob Johnson if you plan to go, we need to get a count of how many cars may attend

for separate parking space.

Sunday Brunch at Lord Fletchers, Aug 14, at 11:30 AM Price \$24.35, and it is worth August

every penny. See back page.. Food is great and the service even better. No disappoint-

ments here.

5<sup>th</sup> Annual North Star Region, Lincoln Car Show, Luther North Country, Ford, Lincoln Mercury, Coon Rapids, Saturday, September 10, 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM Western National Meet, Redmond, Oregon, September 14 - 18 September

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LZOZ Gathering of the Faithfull September28 - October 1. Lincolns on Lake

Michigan at the Blue Harbor Resort and Conference Center, Sheboygan, WI. For those who love Lincoln Zephyrs and other Lincoln cars of that era, this is a great meet to attend.

For more information, go to www.lzoc.org

Please join us on Sunday, October 9, for a Taylors Falls Scenic Boat Tour, on the St October

Croix River, 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM with an On Board Luncheon. Boarding time is 10:45 AM. Luncheon features Chicken with all the fixins, \$27.00 per person includes tax and tip. To reserve your seat on this beautiful Leaf Cruise, a check must be sent to Harvey Oberg, 6738 Buckingham Bay, Woodbury, MN 55155, by Thursday, **September 22.** For information about Boat Cruise, call Bob Johnson, 651-257-1715 or

email: arborbob41@aol.com.

Annual Region Pot Luck Picnic and Auction. Annual Region Pot Luck Picnic and Auction, Morries, Sunday, October 30, We will be able to view Morries Car collection at 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM. Our pot luck picnic lunch will be served about 12:30; PM. We will again have an auction that will be held after the picnic, no viewing of Morries cars in the afternoon. Be sure to come early if you want to view Morries Car collection. Please RSVP to Roger at his office 952-473-3038 or email rwothe@mschi.net, by October 27th. When doing RSVP please let Roger know what you will be bringing for

our pot luck, he may have some suggestions on what is needed.

November End of year brunch. Al Bakers in Eagan, MN. Sunday, November 13, at 1130 AM An

other great meeting place with very fine service and food.

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### North Star Events for June



### Kolacky Days Classic Car Show

Saturday, July 23, 2011 9:00AM to 3:00PM

Downtown along First Street in Montgomery, MN Registration 9:00AM to Noon, \$8, with awards presented at 3:00PM. Dash Plaque and "goody bags" Presented to the first 150 Entries.

The Lincoln Club has been invited as the feature marque for this year. So let's have a big turnout on Saturday, July 23. There will be reserved parking for Lincolns, so we can all be close together. There will be many food vendors for this event, and there are restaurants close by. And of course, with Montgomery being the Kolacky capital of the United States, there should be many varieties available for you to sample.

Hope to see all of you in Montgomery on July 23.



Mark your Calendars for August 14, 11:30AM Sunday Brunch at Lord Fletchers on Lake Minnetonka.

Lord Fletchers has one of the best brunches in the Upper Midwest. Since Lord Fletcher's was established in 1968, it has won national awards for its food, wine and individualized service. (The Dirona Award Distinguished Restaurants of North America)

The price of \$24.35 includes the tax and gratuity. Please contact Barb or Roger Wothe by Wednesday of that week at (952) 473-3038 or <a href="mailto:rwothe@mchsi.com">rwothe@mchsi.com</a>.

We will see you on Sunday, August at Lord Fletchers, 3746 Sunset Drive Spring Park, MN, 55384. Phone: 952.471.8513