

My Pride and Joy....

My 1947 Lincoln Continental Cabriolet
By Bob Gavrilesu

It was December 1988 when Harvey Oberg told me he had heard that a retired 3M engineer named George Clevenger used to have a Continental like his.

I called George and asked if he still had a L/C and he said yes, and I asked if it was for sale and he said yes. Harvey Oberg, Tim Purvis, and I went to look at the car in Forest Lake that was tucked away in a small single car garage he had rented.

George wanted a black L/C with red interior and white top and it had to have a Cadillac OHV V8. He purchased this

one in 1952. He and his wife used it as a summer vacation car and said they had driven it to both coasts and the Gulf. They're new summer vacation car was a '70 Bonneville convertible and they had not driven the Continental for a few years. Tim, Harvey, and I assessed the dusty Continental.

It was complete except for skirts and had the tires and top put on in 1952 still intact. Tim and Harvey went out to the car so I could deal with George, but not before saying, "if you don't buy it one of us will." I paid his price and said I would pick it up in the spring.

March of 1989 finally came and George had a valve and brake job done with

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Bob Gavrilesu owns this very nice multi-carbureted 1947 Cabriolet

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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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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new exhaust installed in the interim. My brother Jim and I went to pick it up and it was idling in the driveway. George asked me if I wanted the extra parts he had for the car and we filled the El Camino to the top with parts. The car ran great and made it home with no problems.

My first goal was to find skirts for the car. New tires and skirts and some elbow grease and I was off and cruising. Next, I sent to the Henry Ford Museum in Dearborn, MI for the build sheet. It came back as black with tan top, red interior, Firestone tires, chrome bands, and delivered to the "St P Twin City Branch" on 3/26/1947 (this must be the St Paul Ford Plant).

Forward about 17 years and a number of collector cars have passed through my garage but I can't part with the '47.



Three - two throated carburetors really add a nice touch.

I decided to have a legitimate classic and re-power the Lincoln with an original HV12 power plant. Being used to a very responsive OHV V8, I decided to upgrade the original 292 Cubic Inch 120 HP engine. What engine? I had to go find one and so I did in Pennsylvania. A "complete" engine and radiator

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Trivia from the Internet



Clark Gable 1901 - 1960

William Clark Gable was an Academy Award-winning American film actor. In 1999, the American Film Institute named Gable seventh among the Greatest Male Stars of All Time. He has been nicknamed "The King of Hollywood." His most famous role was in the 1939 film *Gone with the Wind*, in which he starred with Vivien Leigh.

Clark Gable was born in Cadiz, Ohio, on February 1, 1901 to William Henry "Bill" Gable, an oil-well driller and former Adeline Hershelman. He was mistakenly listed as a female on his birth certificate. Gable's sickly mother died when he was ten months old, probably of an aggressive brain tumor. In April 1903, Gable's father Will married Jennie Dunlap, whose

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Editors Message

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What has happened to summer? The weeks zinged by so rapidly, a few blinks and they were gone. It seems as though it was just April and the excitement was building for all of our summer events.

Hopefully, there are a few more weeks that we can take our cars out for a spin. October 6th is the All Lincoln Show at North Country Ford Mercury Lincoln in Coon Rapids. Let's keep our fingers crossed for a repeat of the weather in past years. 70's would be nice for the show.

If the weather is half-way decent, Faithie will be making another guest appearance.

She has a new tube of lip gloss, and she will be giving free kisses for those in attendance. Check out the details on the back page. We also will be returning back to Paradise Landing for brunch on October 14th. A great restaurant, it is located near Balsam Lake, Wisconsin. We did

this last fall, and it was a very enjoyable experience for all. Good food, modest prices, the best of all worlds.

Our annual fall picnic is once again a very pleasant memory. Our very special thanks to our very special host, Morrie Wagener, who opened his doors to our group for a fine afternoon of fun and friendship. We were also fortunate to have the Cord, Auburn and Dusenbergs club join us. If you think that sometimes Lincoln parts are hard to find, try finding some sheet metal for a Auburn, some transmission parts for a Cord, or anything for a Dusenbergs. As usual, the food was very good, with plenty to go around. Roger and Barb Wothe really work hard

in rounding up the food and cooking it to perfection. The auction went well, with the items offered bringing in almost enough to cover the cost of the picnic. Ed Myhre puts on quite a show for us and does his very best to bring the highest prices for some items of questionable utility. Ed was ably assisted by Harvey Oberg, Bob Gavrilescu, with Ken Sampson keeping track of who bid how much for what. It all comes together so very nice.

Soon, the 2008 Lincolns will be appearing in the showrooms. Now is a good



Faithie in the back of the MKX, looking over the printer paper we just got at Office Max.

opportunity to purchase either a new or experienced Lincoln from a dealer near you. They are good dependable cars, capable of going great distances with little difficulty. Lincoln and their participating dealers have some very good offers which will enable you to ease into your favorite model

without breaking your budget. In the Twin Cities, see Chuck Whitaker at Whitaker Lincoln Mercury over in Inver Grove Heights or Morrie's Minnetonka Ford Lincoln Mercury in the Western part of the city. Either store will make you feel comfortable and will help you find the Lincoln of your dreams.

Don't forget, there are still a few weeks of fairly good fall weather ahead to enjoy your pride and joy. Get out there and drive that Lincoln.

Till next month....

David, Marion and Faithie, the Samoyed.

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family came from the small neighboring town of Hopedale, Ohio. His father purchased land there and built a house and the new Gable family settled in.

In 1917, when Clark was in high school, his father's business had financial difficulties. Will decided to try his hand at farming and the family moved to Ravenna, just outside of Akron. Clark had trouble settling down; he soon left school to work in Akron's tire factories. Gable was inspired to be an actor after seeing a life-impressing play *The Bird of Paradise*, but he was not able to make a real start until he turned 21 and inherited money left to him. By then, his stepmother Jennie had died. He toured in stock companies and worked the oil fields. Deciding not to follow his father, Clark found work with several second-class theater companies and worked his way across the Midwest to Portland, Oregon, where he found work as a necktie salesman in the Meier & Frank

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Directors Message

By Bob Johnson

On Sunday, September 16th, we held our Annual Fall Region Picnic at Morries. The beautiful weather, tire kicking and visiting was just the beginning of a fantastic event. Being able to use Morrie Wagener's beautiful facility was only part of the great day. About 75 to 80 people were able to view his great car collection which was indeed an event one will always remember. We must thank Roger Wothe for making arrangements with Morrie Wagener to have our fall picnic at his facility. The only reason we were invited to Morries's was because of Roger's friendship with Morrie. Morrie spoke to us about how he started in the car business and what he has done, he was very interesting, and it shows what honesty and hard work can accomplish. Morrie said he still puts in 12 hour work days. Morrie is a very private person and we were the first and maybe the only car club to see his car collection, so this was an activity that we must really appreciate for it may never happen again.

Region Board of Directors Election will not be held this year. We have two candidates for two openings. The two incumbents seeking reelection are Bob Gavrilescu and Roger Wothe, and they will fill the existing openings.

On Saturday, October 6th, we will have an All Lincoln Car Show at North Country - Ford Lincoln Mercury, in Coon Rapids, 10401 Woodcrest Drive NW (North Country is a new Lincoln Dealership). This is a free show, 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM. We will have Dash Plaques, Door Prizes and People Choice Awards for Best of Show... Please invite anyone you know that owns a Lincoln to this event, it is great to see all the beauti-

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ful Lincolns sitting next to each other on display for us to enjoy.

Many members have asked if we are going to Paradise Landing, Balsam Lake WI, this year. Because of your interest, we will do a Sunday Brunch on October 14th, at 11:30 AM. We will meet at Culvers restaurant at 9:30 AM (where we hold our Monthly Board Meeting, I94 and Ruth Street in Sun Ray Shopping Center) and Caravan to Balsam Lake from there. We hope that the leaves and color will still be on display because this can be a beautiful area to take a drive though. If you are closer to Balsam Lake, the address is 264 County Rd I, about two miles east of town. Please RSVP to Bob Johnson, 651-257-1715 or email arbor-bob41@aol.com by Wednesday October 10th.

A Car Prep/Tech session will be held at Jeff Eisenburg's Libson Twin City Auto, in Minneapolis, 1218 Central Ave NE, one block north of Broadway, on Saturday November 10th at 10:00AM. Jeff will have one or two hoists and we will have detailing tips for preparing your car for our National Meet. Tom St Martin will show a video on judging and we will have judging critiques on your car if you want. The main purpose of this activity is to show you what to expect and how to prepare your car, when going to a National Meet. We want you to feel at ease and to be able to have fun while showing your Lincoln. We must remember we go to these events to have fun, meet old friends and make new acquaintances. You do not have to bring a car, just come and learn these

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department store.

While there, he met actress Laura Hope Crews, who encouraged him to go back to the stage and into another theater company. His acting coach was a theater manager in Portland, Oregon, Josephine Dillon (17 years his senior), who had his teeth fixed and after some rigorous training, eventually considered him ready to attempt a film career.

In 1924, with Josephine's financial aid, the two went to Hollywood, where she became his manager and first wife. Although he found work as an extra and bit player in such silent films as *The Plastic Age* (1925), which starred Clara Bow, Gable was not offered any major roles and so he returned to the stage, becoming lifelong friends with Lionel Barrymore. In 1930, after his impressive appearance as the seething and desperate character Killer Mears in the play *The Last Mile*, he was offered a contract with MGM. Gable's first role in a sound picture was as the villain in a low-budget William Boyd western called *The*

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Annual Northstar Picnic

Warm sunny weather, good friends and nice cars all came together, just west of Long Lake on Highway 12, on Sunday, September 16th for one of our most memorial events in recent years. This year, our annual fall Northstar Club picnic was held at Morrie Wagener's training/meeting center, which also is home to his very interesting and unique car collection. Attendance was good, with about 75 to 80 folks enjoying the great food and good times that always prevail at our yearly picnic.



John and Sue Coyne's 1967 Convertible



John McDowall's 1970 Mark III

Our thanks go out to Roger Wothe for securing an invitation to use this first class venue. Roger has known Morrie Wagener for some time and over a period of time was able to cajole the use of his meeting room for our fall picnic. Morrie was kind enough to address our erstwhile group, and enlightened us a bit about how he started out in the automobile business and the progress he

made over the years in building up his business. His story is a living monument to what dedication, honesty and very hard work can accomplish. He also related that most days are still twelve hour work days, but exciting and fun for him. He is a very reserved individual, who does not advertise his car collection. We were truly fortunate to be given the opportunity to view it on this very special Sunday for the first time and it may be a long time before the collection is open again.



Lloyd and June Pearson's Zephyr. A fine car on a nice September Sunday.



Ray and Jeanine Nelson arrived in their latest acquisition, a big blue Town Car.

We had several new members attend, John McDowall, from St Augusta, with his 1970 Mark III; John and Sue Coyne, from Minneapolis, with their 1967 Convertible; Todd Warner, from Mound; and Fred Syrdal, from Columbia Heights, who joined at our

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Painted Desert (1931). In 1930, Clark and Josephine Dillon were divorced. A few days later, he married Texas socialite Ria Franklin Prentiss Lucas Langham.

Despite his reluctance to play the role, Gable is best known for his performance in *Gone with the Wind* (1939), which earned him an Academy Award nomination for Best Actor.

Gable was an almost immediate favorite for the role of Rhett Butler with both the public and producer David O. Selznick. But as Selznick had no male stars under long-term contract, he needed to go through the process of negotiating to borrow an actor from another studio. Gary Cooper was thus Selznick's first choice.

When Cooper turned down the role, he was passionately against it. He is quoted saying, "*Gone With The Wind* is going to be the biggest flop in Hollywood history.

During filming, Vivien Leigh complained about Gable's bad breath, which was apparently caused by his false teeth. They otherwise got along well. His famous line, "Frankly, my dear, I don't give a damn," caused an uproar since it was in violation of the Production Code in effect at the time. Decades later,

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was shipped to MN to Rodger Wothe's business, as he had a loading dock. I made many vendors happy purchasing all the missing bits for my "complete" engine.

Off to Adelman's for a complete rebuild. Bored out forty thousandths, balanced, machined to accommodate a modern rear seal; only took two years. Finally it was done and Tom Brace, Dave Sandels, and I delivered the engine, a truck of refurbished accessories, and the '47 to Tim Purvis's Garage.

Upgrades included keeping the dual exhaust on the car and buying one of twelve newly manufactured 3/2 barrel carburetor intake manifolds. Multiple carbs on HV12s is nothing new and both Edelbrock & Edmunds made dual carburetor manifolds through the early '50s and Hogan made a triple carb manifold according to the Zephyr Club publication, "The Way of the Zephyr." Tim Purvis did an outstanding job making it all fit - especially all the linkage. The car came home in March and I am still working out the bugs. One carburetor has been rebuilt three times and the overdrive unit still does not want to properly engage. I am breaking in the motor and having a lot of fun, that's what the hobby is all about.

I am writing this watching a Turner Classic Movie - "The Hucksters," made in 1947 and Clark Gable is driving a 1947 Lincoln Continental cabriolet; top down with Deborah Kerr in the front seat. Nothing could be finer. Life, indeed is good.

Editors note: Our thanks to Bob G for the update on his 1947 Continental. We all look forward to seeing a smiling Bob receiving an award next year in Duluth. His '47 is like fine wine, it just keeps getting better.

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tips and see what to do with your car. There are several different judging classes that you can enter your car in when going to a National Meet and that will be explained in detail. We are also planning on having this type of event again next spring. Please RSVP to Bob Johnson, 651-257-1715 or email arbor-bob41@aol.com by Wednesday November 7th, so Jeff will know how many rolls to order for us.

Our Year End Brunch will be at Al Bakers, Eagan MN, on Sunday, November 11th, at 11:30 AM. This will be the last activity for 2007. This is a great place which serves good food at a fair price.

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

The End of the L.T.?

Things aren't looking good for the Lincoln Mark LT. Latest reports say the luxo-pickup won't be around beyond the 2008 model-year. Several dealers as well as supplier and industry sources say Ford will be dropping the Mark LT after next year because sales simply aren't high enough.

Total sales for the pickup last year amounted to 12,753 units, well short of the 20,000 units that execs had targeted. Though numbers haven't been released, sales for this year are expected to be even worse due to falling demand for fuel-hungry SUVs and trucks. There's another reason for Ford to put the Mark LT out to pasture. The pickup is based on the top-selling Ford F-150 and is produced at the same plant. The F-150, meanwhile, is getting a restyle and engineering upgrade for the 2009 model year and the introduction of a high-end 'Platinum' version means Ford could use the extra capacity left behind by the ousted Mark LT.

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Gable would say that whenever his career would start to fade, a re-release of *Gone with the Wind* would instantly revive everything, and he continued as a top leading man for the rest of his life. In addition, Gable was one of the few actors to play the lead in three films that won an Academy Award for Best Picture.

Gable's marriage in 1939 to his third wife, successful actress Carole Lombard, was the happiest period of his personal life. They purchased a ranch at Encino and once Clark had become accustomed to her often blunt way of expressing herself, they found they had much in common. On January 16, 1942, Lombard, who had just finished her 57th film, *To Be Or Not To Be*, was on a tour to sell war bonds when the twin-engine DC-3 she was traveling in crashed into a mountain near Las Vegas. Gable flew to the site and had to be forcibly restrained from climbing the snowcapped mountain himself in an effort to rescue her. After her body was recovered, he sobbed, "Oh, God! I don't want to go back to an empty house..." Lombard was declared the first war-related female casualty the U.S. suffered in World War II.

Gable resided the rest of his life at the couple's En-

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August Board of Directors Meeting...

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

September 13, 2007

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

OFFICERS REPORTS

Regional Director Bob Johnson reminded us of the Annual Picnic on Sunday 16 September to be held at Morrie Wagener's auto facility in Long Lake. The Coon Rapids Lincoln Car Show will be held October 6th at a new location. Directions can be found in the newsletter. Morrie's also offers a 15% discount to seniors on Wednesdays. The Mid America Meet at Itasca IL was a great Meet even though the prices were high. Francis Kalvoda from Willmar has graciously volunteered to develop a program to welcome all new members to the chapter.

Treasurer Harvey Oberg reported the treasury balance to be \$2,814.16 with all bills paid.

Secretary Roger Wothe reported that several North Star members attended the James J. Hill Days Car Show in Wayzata last weekend. The show was a success with about eighty-five cars and trucks attending.

Membership and Publications Director Dave Gustafson reported the membership to be about one hundred forty. He has a "My Pride and Joy" article for the next newsletter, but as usual he is looking for more.

Projects Director Bob Gavrilesco and Bob Johnson will research doing an LCOC National jacket similar to our regional jacket as a club project.

Activities Schedule: Next brunch will be Sunday, October 14th at the Paradise Landing in Balsam Lake WI. There is a tech, detailing and judging helpful hints at Jeff Eisenberg's Libson Truck Parts on Central Avenue a block north of Broadway on Saturday, November 10th.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM. The next meeting will be Thursday, October 4th at 7:00 PM at Culver's Restaurant in Maplewood

Respectfully submitted by Secretary Roger Wothe

Now Here Is The Deal

Send us an article about your Pride and Joy (your favorite Lincoln), and we will send you a 2008 Northstar Club Calendar.

We know that there are a few new Lincolns that we haven't heard about yet, so send in your musings today along with digital images or nice color photographs. Can we count on you? Articles should be sent to Editor, 308 Brandywine Drive, Burnsville, Minnesota 55337

Northstar Picnic Pictures

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cino home, made 27 more movies, and married twice more. "But he was never the same," said Esther Williams. "His heart sank a bit."

In 1942, following Lombard's death, Gable joined the U.S. Army Air Forces. While at RAF Polebrook, England, Gable flew five combat missions, including one to Germany, as an observer-gunner in B-17 Flying Fortresses between May 4 and September 23, 1943, earning the Air Medal and the Distinguished Flying Cross for his efforts. Adolf Hitler esteemed Gable above all other actors, and during the Second World War, offered a sizable reward to anyone who could capture and bring Gable unscathed to him. He left the Army Air Forces with the rank of major. Gable's first movie after



returning from service in WWII was the 1945 production of *Adventure*. It was a critical and commercial failure. However, Gable was acclaimed for his performance in *The Hucksters* (1947). That was followed by the popular

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success of *Never Let Me Go* (1953), opposite Gene Tierney. Gable's last film was *The Misfits*, written by Arthur Miller, directed by John Huston, and co-starring Marilyn Monroe and Montgomery Clift. This was also the final film completed by Monroe. Many critics regard Gable's performance to be his finest.

Gable died in Los Angeles, California in November 1960, the result of a fourth heart attack. There was much speculation that Gable's physically demanding *Misfits* role, which required yanking on and being dragged by horses, contributed to his sudden death soon after filming was completed.

In addition, Gable was in poor health from years of heavy smoking (three packs a day over thirty years) and drinking (he liked whiskey), and in the previous decade, had suffered two seizures which may have been heart attacks.

Gable is interred in Forest Lawn Memorial Park Cemetery in Glendale, California, beside Carol Lombard.

From the Internet

Picnic continued....

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picnic. We hope they had fun, enjoyed our group and we look forward to seeing them again. We also had as guests, about 15 members of the Cord, Auburn and Duesenberg club attending as our guests. It was nice to meet these folks, but it would have been nice to see a Duesenberg in the parking lot, next to one of the Lincolns.



Roger Wothe introducing our very gracious host, Morrie Wagener.

As usual, the food was excellent. Roger and Barb Wothe, masters of the culinary arts, and guardians of the grill, worked hard to prepare all the food and serve up the chicken and pork chops. No one went away hungry. Rachael Ray, look out, Roger is gaining on you.



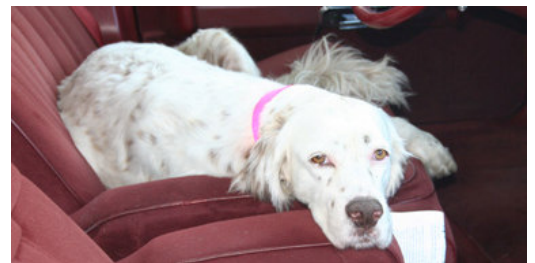
John Simler, Ron Fenelon, Bob and Mary Johnson along with Thomas St. Martin getting in the spirit of the auction. Mary is after Bob to keep bidding on the cute widget.



Francis Kalvoda making a bid.

After the victuals, we moved on to the club auction. With an interesting assortment of items available, there was something there to appeal to most everyone. Ed Myhre, with the assistance of Harvey Oberg, worked hard to get the best value from each item. Gladys Traficante purchased a lot of stuff, and we hope that husband George can find a place for all of these "one of a kind" treasures. Our sincere thanks to Ed for helping us once again as **auctioneer extraordinaire** and making our auction a success. The club netted over \$600 which almost covered the costs of our picnic meal. Bruce Wylie won our door prize, a Lincoln wrist watch.

What a great day it was, visiting with club members, having a fine meal, viewing one of the nicest car collections in the upper Midwest. What a way to spend a Sunday.



Maggie, dog tired from all the festivities, is waiting patiently for her dad, Ken Sampson to take her home.

Northstar LCOC Welcome Wagon

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I was talking to our leader, Bob Johnson, and told him that it would be nice to have the new members identified in the

Northstar News. Evidently Bob thought it was such a great idea that he asked me to volunteer to do a welcome column in the Northstar News. I think everyone likes to see their name in print unless the law or reporters are in hot pursuit. I thought I needed a name for the column and a nifty graphic. I thought *Welcome Wagon* would be appropriate but you don't see too many Lincoln station wagons – a few hearses, many SUVs, but not many real wagons. Google to the rescue. I found the '56 Lincoln wagon picture; it must have been the ultimate suburban grocery getter and kid hauler in 1956. I'd really like to know the history on the car. If you find any pictures of Lincoln wagons, send them my way and I will share them with the membership. Feel free to contact these new members and make them feel welcome in the Northstar Region of our Lincoln and Continental Owners Club. Please add these new members to our club directory:

Frederick and Joanell Zimmerman, 14861 Lloyds Drive, Minnetonka, MN 55345, 612-867-8368, zimco@visi.com. The Zimmermans drive a 1981 Mark VI Sedan. **Steve Young**, 1415 Main Street #42C, Houlton, WI, 54082, 715-220-3392. Steve has a 1969 Mark III. Steve just completed a 4,375 mile round trip to the Western National Meet in Federal Way, WA with his Mark III. We are looking forward to an article and pictures of his experiences with his Mark III. **Todd Warner** has a 1956 Mark II. Todd's address is 2642 Commerce Blvd, Mound, MN 55364, 612-414-5241, ftodd@mahonanybay.net. We look forward to seeing Todd's Mark II, is it as beautiful as his 1937 55 foot Hackercraft? **John and Sharon McDowall**, 5280 Big Rock Court, St. Augusta, MN 56301, 320-252-0698, johnmc@mcdowallco.com. **Rob Schmidtke**, 1715 West 6th Street, Red Wing, MN

55066, 651-301-1899, rob_schmidtke@yahoo.com. Rob drives a 1977 Continental Sedan. **Michael and Nadine Bergstrom**, 2460 277th Street West, Randolph, MN 55065, blk65gto@connect.com. The Bergstrom's have two 1941 Continentals! Michael is the son of long time member Jim Bergstrom. **Ervin and Joyce Wegscheid**, 107 Sacred Heart Drive, Dent, MN 56528, 218-758-6956. Ervin and Joyce have a 1947 Lincoln Sedan and a 1948 Lincoln Custom. Wegscheid's '47 took home a First Place trophy from the Willmar Car Show in May! **Robert and Evelyn Gray** also have a 1947 Lincoln Sedan in their garage at 5531 Lester River Road, Duluth, MN 55804, 218-525-3987. **Jim and Donna Walden**, 4301 Vista Lane, Sioux Falls, SD 57105, 605-351-4260, jim@waldencarpets.com. Jim and Donna just purchased a 1956 Mark II.



Brian and Deb Lowther with their 1979 Town Car

Last but not least this month, right here from Willmar, **Brian and Deb Lowther**, 2101 19th Avenue SW, Willmar, MN 56201, 320-235- 9278, brian_deb@charter.net. The Lowther's 1979 Lincoln Town Car has been in the family since 1981! I am so glad that I am no longer the only LCOC member in Willmar. I took a photo of Brian, Deb and their Lincoln at the August 15 A&W Cruise Night in New London; not realizing I would soon have a job (thanks to Bob!) as a Lincoln Club photo-journalist!

I sincerely welcome all of our new members and I hope each of the LCOC members will welcome other Lincoln enthusiasts to join our Club. With the 2008 National Meet in Duluth next summer, this is a perfect time to promote our Club.

In Memoriam....



Mary "Lee" Bundgaard, of Breezy Point, wife of Allen Bundgaard, both long time members of the Lincoln Club, passed away on September 15th.

Lee was born in St. Louis, Mo., July 28, 1921, the daughter of Louis Lee and Mildred Mary Burden, but grew up in Western Springs, Ill. Lee attended grade school, high school and junior college near La Grange, Ill., before completing her education with a bachelor of arts degree in sociology from the University of Iowa in 1942. The friends Lee made during these school years remained dear all her life. Over the years she has been a homemaker and mother in Omaha, Neb., Minneapolis/St. Paul, and Westport, Conn., before the woods and lakes of central Minnesota became her home.

Lee married E. "Allen" Bundgaard on Sept. 10, 1943, and recently celebrated their 64th wedding anniversary. Lee and Allen had three children, Bruce Burden (Marj) Bundgaard, of Crosslake, Kurt Jepson (Mary Ann) Bundgaard, and Robert Lee (Carol) Bundgaard, of Breezy Point. Their son, Kurt, died in an automobile accident in 2003. Lee also is survived and well-loved by seven grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; and her sister, Ruth Gard. Her ongoing joy came from her family and just being, "Gramma Lee."

In 1991, Lee was awarded the "Outstanding Lay-Person in Education" award from the Pequot Lakes Education Association. She was always concerned for other people. Lee was a member of the Breezy Point Women's Club and a charter member of the Athena Club in Edina. She enjoyed reading, traveling and the Geritol Frolics. Lee also enjoyed pets.

Memorial services for Lee were scheduled for Sunday, Sept. 30, at 3:30 p.m. at Grace United Methodist Church in Pequot Lakes with the Rev. Calvin Petersen, of Vermillion, S.D., officiating. At a later date, Lee will be laid to rest at Pelican Wood Cemetery in Breezy Point. The family prefers memorials to flowers and would like them sent in Lee's name to Alzheimer's or cancer research foundations.

I need a New Home....



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

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

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

For Sale - 1974 Continental Two Door



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

Great Automotive Buys...

For Sale

1979 Mark V Cartier Edition

Light Champagne, Matching Interior
Equipped with 400 CID engine and all the
usual equipment found on a Mark V.

Low Mileage - 38,300 Miles
Good Looking, Inside and Out
\$10,500/Best Offer
Call Ray at 612-722-9966

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.

WANTED

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

Call Francis Kalvoda, Willmar
320-235-5777
please help me find one

For Sale

1979 Mark V, Bill Blass Edition.
Kentucky car, no rust ever.
Beautiful dark blue full convertible
Style nylon top. Body is white over dark
Blue with new Michelin white stripe tires.
Interior, blue leather with white piping.
A real head turner with only 65,000 miles.
Engine detailed like new, including
Motorcraft battery. Looks new, drive any-
where, **Price Reduced to \$7,900.00.**
Call Jerry Prettyman
1-888-416-0633 or email:
jpservices@charter.net
Alexandria, MN

FOR SALE

1939 Zephyr Three Window Coupe
Montana car stored inside for 30 years.
Has Columbia 2 speed rear axle and
Radio. Complete and unmolested origi-
nal. Call Terry Hirte, 651-436-8558 or
cell 651-470-6349

Help Us Out...

If you have recently adopted a new Lincoln,
please let us know about it. Our members look
forward to reading about different Lincolns of all
ages, new or old, tell us about your new car.

Send your story and pictures to the Northstar
News, 308 Brandywine Drive, Burnsville, Mn
55337

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

1959 Lincoln Continental Mark IV - Four door sedan. 1 of 933 manufactured. 430 CI, 350 HP engine. Loaded with options, 50,000 mile, all original car. Presidential Black. Primary First Place at the LCOC MidAmerica 2002 meet in Red Wing, 95 points. \$30,000/offer.

1960 Lincoln Two door Hardtop. Low production model. Featuring 68,000 miles. 430 CI, 315 HP engine. New Presidential black paint, New chrome. Interior is black with white original. It has many, many new parts. \$15,000/offer.

Contact Tom Thill at 651-646-5378.

DESTINATION DULUTH

T-Shirts are now available, advertising the 2008 Mid-America Lincoln Meet in Duluth next June. Northstar Club Jacks are also available. Perfect for the fall days ahead.

Call Bob Johnson to get yours today. 651-275-1715

For Sale

1972 Lincoln Mark IV
38,000 Miles, All Original, Trophy Winner
Gold with Dark Brown Top and Leather
As new condition. \$10K or fair offer.
Call Don Pennock 651-488-1596
Cell 651-253-5516

For Sale

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

1949-51 Mercury overdrive transmission, very good condition, will fit the V12 motor for open driveshaft changeover. \$500

Transmission mount for this changeover, \$140.

Call Ted Anderson at 763-561-8143

150 - LINCOLNS - 150

I have over 150 1960's Lincolns now, mostly parts cars. More than I will ever use. I have now decided to sell my extra parts; sheet metal, trim, whatever...

If you are restoring a Lincoln of this era and need parts, please contact me now. I may have what you need.

Just Arrived! New windshields that fit 1961 through 1963 Continentals.

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

- October Fall Car Show at North Country Ford Lincoln Mercury, Coon Rapids. October 6th which is the first Saturday in October. 10:00AM to 3:00PM Dash Plaques and Door Prizes given out.
October 14th. Tour and brunch - Paradise Landing, Balsam Lake, WI.
Map and details on back page.
- November Year end brunch, Al Bakers, Eagan, MN. Sunday, November 11th, at 11:30AM. Map and details in next issue.
November 10th, Technical Session at Jeff Eisenberg's Libson Auto. Details and map in the November issue. 10:00AM till we solve all your problems.
- December No events planned, time to regroup and to make plans for the holidays and 2008.

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

Willmar Car Buffs Breakfasts Return Again For 2007

Our friends over in Willmar have invited us once again to attend their car club breakfasts over in the Willmar area. An easy drive from the Twin Cities, it is a great way to spend a Saturday morning. Here is their schedule for 2007.

Oct 6th. Happy Hour Sports Bar, 218 5th Ave, Madison, MN 9:00am
Nov 3rd. West Central Industries, 1300 22nd St SW, Willmar, MN 9:00am

Contact Francis Kalvoda for more information.

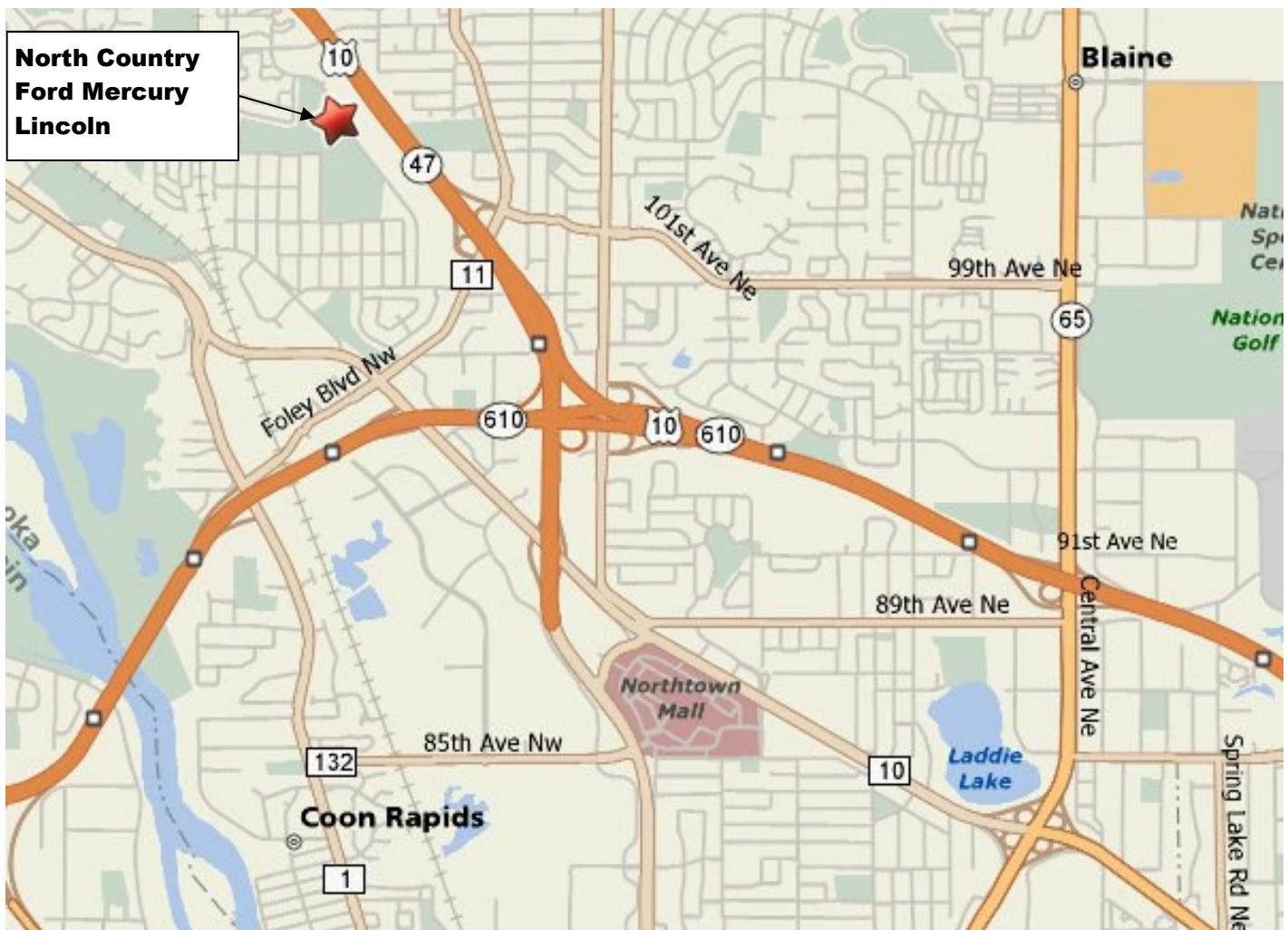
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FALL LINCOLN SHOW, SATURDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2007

North Country Ford Mercury Lincoln



Join us at North Country Ford Mercury Lincoln, 10401 Woodcrest Drive, Coon Rapids, for our fall All Lincoln Car Show. 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM.

We look forward to meeting some new Lincoln owners, seeing some old friends and just having a lot of fun. There will be prizes and lunch will be at one of the nearby restaurants. Set this date aside now. Lets get those Lincolns out for one last time this year. Prior years we had great weather and good times for this last car show of the season. Lets do it again this October 6th.

Call Bob Johnson if you have any additional questions. 651-257-1715

I-35W to US-10. Go West on Highway 10, distance of 4.8 Miles. Take the FOLEY BLVD NW/CR-11 exit. 0.8 Miles. Keep RIGHT at the fork to FOLEY BLVD NW/FOLEY BLVD/CR-11 East 0.3 Miles. Turn RIGHT onto 99th Avenue NorthWest. 0.1 Miles. Turn Right onto WOODCREST DRIVE NORTHWEST 0.7 Miles. Luther Ford Mercury Lincoln is at 10401 Woodcrest Drive NW.
Call Bob Johnson at 651-587-1212 if you get lost along the way.

Paradise Landing, Sunday Brunch, October 14th, 2007



Yipes! We had so much fun last Fall, we are going to go back again! Sunday brunch at Paradise Landing, Balsam Lake, Wisconsin. We plan on caravanning there. We will meet at Culvers restaurant at 9:30 AM (where we hold our Monthly Board Meeting, 194 and Ruth Street in Sun Ray Shopping Center) and Caravan to Balsam Lake from there. ***If you don't see any Lincoln's, you are not at the right place.*** Be at Paradise Landing at 11:30AM.

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

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

Paradise Landing is noted for their good food, great service, and reasonable prices. Last fall, the club members attending had a great time. We want to repeat the experience and give those who missed the trip another chance. We should have great fall colors too. Call Bob Johnson at 651-257-1715 or email: arborbob41@aol.com by October 10th if you plan on attending.