

The all new 1990 Lincoln Town Car



We are featuring a reprint of a nice story about the 1990 Lincoln Town Car, written initially by Tim Howley; it appeared in the March/April 2004 issue of Continental Comments.

The 1990 Town Car was all new, a complete departure from the previous model. The public very well received it, and it sold very well during its eight-year model run.

It is starting to come into its own as a collector car for a number of reasons. It is still relatively affordable due to somewhat easy availability caused by the large production numbers. And it is a very nice car to drive. It has all the creature comforts, including good A/C, and also turns out very respectable mileage numbers for highway driving. Repairs are relatively easy, and their tons of parts out there for these cars.

All-in-all, it is pretty hard for most people to say no to a nice 90s Town Car in good condition.

One of our new members, Carlito Reyes, has a burning desire to own one of these fine cars. In talking with him, I thought I would take a little closer look at these wonderful machines to see why folks like them so much. So, we dived into the archives and came up with several stories that we are now reprinting in this issue.

The 1990 Lincoln Town Car was a real challenge to create. The eighties Town Car was so successful that its successor could not deviate too far from an established benchmark. Yet, it had to be aerodynamic and full of nineties innovations. The car turned out to be acceptable, well within its creators' highest expectations. Sales were well over 100,000 in each year (except 1996) that it was offered, 1990-1997. And this was in a decade when European and Japanese luxury cars were cutting into the U.S. luxury car market like never before. The car started out as *Motor Trend's* Car of the

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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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Trivia from the Internet



Steven Hill
American Actor
1922 - 2016

Steven Hill (born Solomon Krakovsky February 24, 1922 - August 23, 2016) was an American actor. He is best known for his television roles as district attorney Adam Schiff on the NBC television drama series Law & Order (1990-2000) and Dan Briggs on the CBS action television series Mission: Impossible (1966-1967). For the former, he received two nominations for the Prime-time Emmy Award for Outstanding Supporting Actor in a Drama Series.

His film roles include The Goddess (1958), A Child Is Waiting (1963), The Slender Thread (1965), Yentl (1983), Raw Deal (1986), Running on Empty (1988), Billy

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Editors Message

Dear friends and gentle readers....

The summer of 2021 has come a cropper. Most people will feel that, except for a few days, scattered over our four best months (May, June, July and August), we got short-changed once again. For me, the scorching weather and high humidity are not conducive to taking one of my older cars out for a drive. The almost total absence of rain has reduced my once beautiful front lawn to one massive weed patch. It does seem strange that even without rain or other moisture, weeds always seem to thrive. Sometime in September, the lawn care people will stop by and do a re-coring and reseeding in hopes that next year's lawn will look much better.

Personally, August has been somewhat of a bust. Near the end of July, I was not feeling well, and I had my neighbors deliver me to the emergency room of Fairview Ridges hospital here in Burnsville. Shortly after arrival, they did an endoscopy and found a bleeding ulcer in my upper GI tract. A non-malignant growth had decided to open up and bleed away. In short order, they were able to seal off the leaking part, and that was the first step in my recovery. They did keep me in for five days and four nights in order to monitor the healing process. The ICU is not a place to be in if you want to get any sleep. Two IVs and a bunch of monitor cables also did not add to my comfort in any way, shape, or form. It is amazing just how bad TV can be at 3 a.m. They also rejiggered my meds and added two antibiotics, which really tied up my poor stomach in knots. It has been three weeks plus, and I am still not feeling up to par. When I finally was able to eat some food, surprise, it all tasted like hospital food. I found that the vanilla yogurt and the red Jell-O to be exceptional. I guess that is because they come in sealed containers, and it is pretty hard to mess those up. The care, I must admit, was very, very good.



Sweet Olga with her newfound friend, Chris Struble, who rejoined the Lincoln club after an absence. Both attended the recent picnic this past August 22. And Olga got more than her share of attention. All girls like attention, and Olga is no exception.

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The nursing staff treated me with courtesy and respect and did their best to ensure that I was as comfortable as possible under the circumstances.

During this time, Sweet Olga was a guest at the Easton Arms, across the street from me here in Burnsville. Ed and Pat Easton insisted on taking Olga in and providing her with a good experience while her dad was in the hospital. I think that she had a great time; she had the run of their nice home and even got to climb up on the furniture if she wanted. She was spoiled shamelessly, and I think that she had a nice time with the Easton's. The Easton's report that she was very well behaved and the perfect house guest. I would like to think that in her own way, she added a little bit to their lives, too. There is something so comforting about having another living creature close by, patiently listening to everything you have to say and not demanding too much.

As of press time, it was decided by the North Star Board of directors to postpone the fall event scheduled for September 19 at Morries. Due to the increase in infection rate for the Covid Delta variant, it was judged prudent to move the tour date and lunch off into the future. We cannot risk the health of our members and Morries staff by the possibility of exposure to the virus. Please be patient with the board, we will reschedule as soon as possible.

Also, please consider writing a story for our newsletter, I along with our members appreciate original material. Do your best, I will clean it up, as necessary. And keep your eyes out for older Lincolns. Reach out to the driver and get them to join the club. We need more members.

In the meantime, stay healthy and well. Till next month... David and Sweet Olga, the Samoyed...

Directors Message by Bob Johnson August 2021

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Bathgate (1991), and *The Firm* (1993).

Hill was born Solomon Krakovsky in Seattle, Washington, to Russian Jewish immigrants. His father owned a furniture store. He decided to become an actor at age six when he played the lead in *The Pied Piper of Hamelin*. After graduating from Garfield High School in 1939, Hill attended the University of Washington and served four years in the United States Navy during World War II. He graduated from the University of Washington and moved first to Chicago and then to New York City to pursue an acting career.

Hill made his first Broadway stage appearance in Ben Hecht's *A Flag Is Born* in 1946, featuring a young Marlon Brando. Hill said that his big break came when he landed a small part in *Mister Roberts*'s hit Broadway show.

"The director, Joshua Logan, thought I had some ability, and he let me create one of the scenes," said Hill. "So, I improvised dialog, and it went in the show. That was my first endorsement. It gave me tremendous encouragement to stay in the business." Hill said this was

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more legroom and stretch area. So, we made the eight-hour trip into 12 hours by stopping at every rest area and several gas stations on the way to Kalamazoo. So that is what I did to go to the Eighth Annual Lincoln Homecoming, August 12-15, 2021, in Hickory Corners, Michigan. The meet was another whole story. We had 70 registered cars and 140 registered persons attend, with many just driving in to register their cars on Saturday. We had 18 additional cars, along with 30 people, which really complicated our registration process.

The North Star region did very well in the award department. John and Dorothy Palmer, Barnum, MN won the 1950s Decade Award with a 1955 Red and White Capri Hardtop. Mike Martin and Kim Zemke, North St. Paul, won the Custom Class with a 1997 highly modified Mark VIII.

Our August activity on Sunday, August 22, 2021, Carlson Cheshire Park was forecast to have great weather. Did you attend?

Our annual gathering at Morris Classic Cars which was scheduled for September 19, 2021, **has been indefinitely postponed**. By mutual agreement, it was concluded that due to the increase in the infection rate of the Covid Delta virus that it would be a good idea to move the date to sometime in the future, when we have better control of this virus. We are deeply sorry to have to do this, but it is not worth the risk to our membership under the circumstances.

On Tuesday, August 17, I received an email from one of our new region members, Chris Struble, who will volunteer to try doing the Region secretary job. Chris lives in Wayzata and just purchased a 1966 Continental convertible; both Roger Wothe and I are very thankful about Chris volunteering to do this task.

Is anyone going to the LCOC Eastern National Meet, October 20-24, 2021? If so, please let us know; we would like to do a road trip article about you and your Lincoln.

October will feature a Sunday Brunch on October 17 at Dehn's County Manor, 11281 Fernbrook Lane N, Maple Grove, Minnesota, at 11:30 a.m. We will have a selected menu. We were there two years ago, and it was a very nice place to gather for our group.

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

Bob and Mary Johnson.....

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Members and guests are welcome to attend the Board Meetings. Our meeting location, unless otherwise specified, will be held at Bloomington Lincoln in their conference room. Meeting time will be 6:30 pm on the first Thursday of each month, except December.

Articles and other information for the newsletter should be sent to David Gustafson, Editor, at 308 Brandywine Drive, Burnsville, MN 55337. email: davidwgustafson@att.net

New 1990 Town Car continued...

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Year and then continued to be a styling and engineering leader for all of the eight years that it was produced.

The 1990 Lincoln Town Car, developed in just 14 months, a shorter time period than even the revolutionary 1949 Ford, was a beautiful blending of 1980s Town Car tradition with 1990s aerodynamics. The overall rounded shaping coupled with a high level of aero-dynamics, especially in the door and window areas, provided for a car that cut the coefficient of drag from 0.45 to 0.36. This was the first Town Car with doors that extended up into the roof for better aerodynamics and easier entry and exit. Both the Continental Mark VII and Thunderbird had this type of doors in their 1984 models, and the 1948 Tucker had pioneered this feature. In fact, just about everything that Preston Tucker envisioned in 1948, except an engine in the rear, turned up in the 1990 Lincoln Town Car.

The 1990 Town Car did not return to unitized construction. It retained and modified the proven 1980s chassis. The caster angle on the front wheels was changed slightly, and the recirculating ball steering was fitted with a new speed-sensitive power assist, giving the driver an improved feel of the road. As driving speeds increase, this new power assist system gradually decreases power steering assist to enhance the driver's feel of the road. At lower speeds, increased assist is provided for optimum maneuverability. New variable rate air suspension at the rear was a vast improvement over the previous parallel leaf suspension. The rear air springs automatically adjust their rates to the load in the car and automatically level the car. Air springs, introduced in the 1984 Lincoln Continental, were vastly improved by 1990. Although as the years went by, owners found that the rear airbags had to be replaced, usually by 100,000 miles. A rear anti-roll bar was a first for the Town Car.

The engine remained the 5.0-liter ohv V-8 developing 150 horse-power at 3,200 rpm, the same as 1989.

Unfortunately, the even more advanced 4.6-liter ohv V-8 was not fully developed at the time of the car's introduction. The 5.0-liter engine was coupled with Lincoln's now-famous four-speed overdrive transmission, which decreased engine effort by 33 per

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For those who love to travel, the Town Car trunk has plenty of room for suitcases full of clothes and suitcases full of money. The perfect car for long trips.

Northstar Monthly Board Meeting Minutes

August 5, 2021

BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING

The meeting was called to order via a conference call by Regional Director Bob Johnson at 6:35 p.m. Board members attending the conference call were Bob Johnson, Dave Gustafson, Bob Roth, Jay White, Dave Heeren, Bill Holiday, and Matt Foley. The Board members not present were Roger Wothe, Tom Brace, and Jeff Eisenberg. There were no visitors. The minutes of the previous meeting and the agenda of this meeting were approved.

Directors Reports

Director reports, again the first part of the meeting consisted of conversations between our members who discussed the relief of restrictions for the COVID-19 Pandemic plus now the DELTA offshoot and general discussion on how we will try to return to a normal but have to be careful with the club schedule for the remainder of 2021.

Chairperson Bob Johnson reviewed the activities schedule for the rest of 2021. Dave Heeren thanked everyone that attended his Sunday picnic on July 25 at his home.

Bob Roth was able to rent the Carlson Cheshire park that we had last year; it is now reserved for Sunday, August 22, 2021, at 11:30 a.m. This picnic will be a BYOF; *Bring Your Own Food* and lawn chairs to sit on. There is a lovely shelter and has immaculate grounds to enjoy while visiting with your Lincoln friends.

Treasurer Matt Foley announced that the treasury balance is \$5132.99, with all bills paid for July.

Membership and Publications Director Dave Gustafson announced that in July, we had two new members.

Jay White volunteered to help update our Vendor and service list for our Region Directory. Jay looking for someone to help.

The request by Roger Wothe, our North Star Region Secretary since 1996, to retire was discussed with no volunteers. Bob Johnson again did minutes, and that is why they are so sparse this month.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m. The next meeting will be September 2, 2021, at 6:30 via a conference call from Bob Johnson.

Respectfully submitted by Bob Johnson

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a thrilling time in his life when fresh out of the Navy, and he played the hapless sailor Stefanowski. "You could almost smell it from the very first reading that took place; this is going to be an overwhelming hit," said Hill. "We all felt it and experienced it and were convinced of it, and we were riding the crest of a wave from the very first day of rehearsals."

In 1947, Hill joined Brando, Montgomery Clift, and Julie Harris, among others, as one of the 50 applicants (out of about 700 interviewed) to be accepted by the newly created Actors Studio.

*Hill made his film debut in 1950 in *A Lady Without Passport*. He then reenlisted in the Navy in 1952 for two years and, when he completed his service, resumed his acting in earnest. Strasberg later said, "Steven Hill is considered one of the finest actors America has ever produced." When he was starting out as an actor, Hill sought out roles that had a social purpose. "Later, I learned that show business is about en-*

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tertaining," he said. "So, I've had to reconcile my idealistic feelings with reality."

Hill was particularly busy in the so-called "Golden Age" of live TV drama, appearing in such offerings as *The Trial of Sacco and Vanzetti* in 1960, where he portrayed Bartolomeo Vanzetti. "When I first became an actor, there were two young actors in New York: Marlon Brando and Steven Hill," said Martin Landau, who later became Hill's cast-mate in the first season of *Mission: Impossible*. Landau went on to admit, "A lot of people said that Steven would have been the one, not Marlon. He was legendary. Nuts, volatile, mad, and his work was exciting."

Hill was the original leader of the *Impossible Missions Force*, Dan Briggs, in the series *Mission: Impossible*, beginning in 1966. The phrase "Good morning, Mr. Briggs..." was a fixture early in each episode, where a sound or film recording he retrieved detailed the task he must accom-

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Lincoln at its finest for 1990. A new generation of Town Cars was eagerly welcomed by many buyers. One of the best Lincolns ever, it was presented with Motor Trend Car of the Year award. Present day collectors are starting to take notice of what a great car this is.

cent, and helped this big car achieve up to 26 miles to the gallon at highway cruising speeds.

While the 1980s interior was attractive, it was not as user-friendly as that of the 1990 Town Car. Or, to put it in more technical terms, the instrumentation was far more ergonomically efficient than in the eighties Town Cars.

It took many hours of computer assisted design work to reduce the noise and vibration levels to all-time lows for a Lincoln.

The 1990 Town Car had a wheelbase of 117.4 inches and an overall length of 220.2 inches compared to 117.3 and 219 for 1989. Although the 1990 Town Car retained the same width as its predecessor, shoulder room and legroom were greater. At 22 cubic feet, the trunk was far larger than in 1989. The weight was down about 100 pounds.

The front and rear sections of the body are designed to collapse in a controlled manner. The intent is for the vehicle to help absorb impact forces and help the passenger compartment to remain intact. The roof and front pillars are built to meet a static force test equal to 5,000 pounds. Each door contains a high-strength steel beam.

The Executive and Signature Series and Cartier Editions from the eighties were continued. The Cartier is distinguished by a two-tone color scheme with pearlescent paint on the upper body. The Cartier is identified by the Cartier logo on the face of the seatbacks, door trim panels, and front trim floor mats. The Cartier script is placed on the rear quarter windows. The Signature Series carries the Signature logo on the rear quarter windows.

Standard on all models was Twin Com-

fort Lounge seats, six-way power- driver's seat, front and rear fold-down center armrests, AM/FM electronic stereo cassette radio with power antenna, electronic instrumentation with message center, speed control, tilt steering column, power windows, and door locks, automatic climate control, tinted glass, rear window defroster, remote control trunk release, automatic parking brake release, interval wipers, interior courtesy lights, front floor mats, cornering lamps, fold-away heated mirrors and steel-belted radial tires with luxury wheel covers on the standard Town Car only. Other Town Car models had cast-aluminum wheels.

What you got by going up to the Signature Series for another \$2,628 was upgraded trim but not many extra features. The Signature Series features were the Comfort Convenience Group of six-way power front passenger seat, decklid pulldown, dual illuminated visor mirrors, rear floor mats, automatic headlight dimmer, and headlamp on/off delay system, leather-wrapped steering wheel, map pockets in the front seatbacks, keyless entry system, dual floor well lamps, and cast-aluminum wheels. Moving up to the Cartier for another \$2,094, you got all of the Signature Series features plus leather seat trim if you preferred at no extra charge, memory seat, power back seat recliners, and power lumbar support, Ford JBL Audio System, and geometric spoke aluminum wheels.

The trim level in the Signature Series included Crystal Pearlescent Clearcoat Metallic, not available in the standard model, but excluded Aztec Gold Clearcoat Metallic and Regatta Blue Clearcoat Metallic, which were offered in

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plish. However, he was replaced in the show in 1967 after the end of the first season. As one of the few Orthodox Jewish actors working in Hollywood, he made it clear in advance of production that he could not work on the Sabbath (i.e., sundown Friday to dusk Saturday) and that he would leave the set every day Friday before sundown. However, despite Hill's advance warnings, the show's producers were unprepared for his rigid adherence to the Sabbath, and on at least one occasion, Hill left the set while an episode was still in the midst of filming. The producers used a number of ways of reducing the role of Hill's character, Dan Briggs, whereby he would only obtain and hand out the mission details at the start of certain episodes, being unable to take further part in the Mission as he was known to people they would encounter (used at least three times), or Briggs would need to don a disguise and another actor would then play his role incognito until the conclusion of the Mission (and episode) when Briggs would peel off a face mask. On other occasions, Briggs was

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the standard model. The Cartier Edition excluded all colors in the Town Car and Signature Series except Light Titanium, Crystal Blue, and Cream. Still, it offered three exclusive Cartier color combinations: Titanium Pearlescent Clearcoat Metallic and Dark Titanium, Crystal Blue Pearlescent Clearcoat Metallic and Regatta Blue, and Champagne Pearlescent Clearcoat Metallic and Aztec Gold.

Some of the items still optional on even the Signature and Cartier were cellular telephone and moon roof. The optional trailer tow package, not available on the Cartier series, included heavy-duty cooling, heavy-duty stabilizer bar, and shock absorbers, transmission oil cooler, power steering oil cooler, heavy-duty U-joints and drive-shaft, Traction-Lok rear axle with 3.55 :1 axle ratio, dual exhaust, and complete wiring harness package for trailer lights, but evidently not the trailer hitch. The trailer tow package allowed the Lincoln to tow up to 5,000 pounds and cost an extra \$400.00.

The price of the base Town Car was \$27,315. The Signature Series was \$30,043. The Cartier Designer Series was \$32,137.

For 1990 Town Car production was 147,160 with no breakout by series.

All 1990 Town Cars were protected by a six-year or 60,000-mile power train warranty and a six-year or 100,000 corrosion protection warranty.

The big news for 1991 was a 4.6-liter ohv V-8 replacing the 5.0-liter engine. The new engine featured overhead chain cam drive, low friction roller bearings to the cam followers, steel head gasket, aluminum cylinder heads, and sequential electronic fuel injection. This engine developed 190 horsepower at 4,200 rpm, 40 more horsepower than the 1990 model. With optional dual exhaust, it produced 210 horsepower. The cylinders are banked at 90 degrees for maximum smoothness. The engine accessories, such as the alternator and power steering pump, are mounted directly on the engine, further reducing vibration.

The only exterior changes were redesigned bumpers and body side moldings.

The price of the base Town Car was raised to \$28,518, the Signature Series was up to \$31,540, and the Cartier Designer Series was now \$33,627. 1991 Town Car production was 118,982.

For 1992, the base Town Car was named

the Executive Series. The Jack Nicklaus Town Car Edition was added. It came in Jewel Green or Arctic White Clearcoat Metallic, either color with special interior leather trim. A passenger's side airbag was now added as standard equipment.

Prices continued to climb, with the Executive Series pegged at \$31,211, the Signature Series at \$34,252, and the Cartier \$36,340. Production was 109,094.

The 1993 Town Car received the first noticeable design change since its introduction in 1990. There was a new grille, new aluminum wheels, tail lamps, and a rear safety reflector bar. New on the standard equipment list were a leather-wrapped steering wheel, electronic instrument cluster, and keyless entry system for all models. Anti-lock brakes had been optional since 1990, but while the front brakes were discs, "the rear brakes were the traditional drum type. Beginning in 1993, disc brakes were put at all four wheels. Anti-lock brakes were made standard.

Traction Assist became an option. If sensors detected wheelspin due to loss of traction in either of the drive wheels, the rear brakes were electronically applied in pulses of a fraction of a second to help the slipping wheel regain grip. First noted in the 1993 brochure, although it might have been available earlier, was SLA or short-and-long-arm independent front suspension, which not only better smoothed out the bumps, but also resisted front end "nose dive" during braking.

The Jack Nicklaus Edition was continued into the 1993 model year.

The Lincoln Town Car was arguably the safest car on the road, and this was not simply a matter of its size. Since 1956, Ford had been a pioneer in safety engineering. By the nineties, its safety program led the industry worldwide. Front-seat airbags, standard for both driver and passenger in 1992, combined with safety belts and shoulder restraint system, activated and fully inflated in about 1/20th of a second, or 2/3rds of a blink of the eye. The perimeter frame in such a large car is arguably safer than a unitized frame. There are steel guardrails inside the doors and roof, and front pillars are built to meet static forces of 5,000 pounds. In addition, there are crash zones front and rear that help absorb much of a collision's energy before it reaches the passenger's compartment. By 1993, the Town Car featured four-wheel disc and anti-lock

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waiting to pick up the team at the end. Usually, Martin Landau's character (Rollin Hand) took over as the team leader for missions in Briggs' absence. Landau was initially a "special guest star" for the first season, not even included in the show's original opening credits.

According to Desilu executive Herb Solow, William Shatner once burst into his office, claiming, "Steve asked me how many Jews worked on Star Trek. He was recruiting a minyon, a prayer group of 10 men, to worship together on top of the studio's highest building and only had six Jews so far from Mission. He asked if I would come and bring Nimoy and Justman and you." Hill became best known, and to an even greater degree than from his role in *Mission: Impossible*, as Adam Schiff in the NBC TV drama series *Law & Order*, a part that he played for ten seasons, from 1990 to 2000.

Adam Schiff is a fictional character on the TV drama series *Law & Order*. Steven Hill played him from 1990 to 2000. Schiff was one of the original main characters of the series and

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brakes as standard equipment, plus (optional) speed-sensitive power steering and a highly sophisticated suspension system that responded to emergency situations.

The 1993 Town Car brochure described "Technology that slows the aging process," stating, "All exterior body panels, other than the roof, are pressed from two-sided galvanized steel, a material with superior rust-inhibiting abilities. The roof is galvanized on its inner surface to ward off corrosion caused by high humidity. To the outer surfaces is applied a meticulous paint and finish procedure that involves up to 23 stages. On chip-prone panels, a urethane coating acts as a shock absorber to enable the outer coats to fend off-road debris that might otherwise cause unsightly chips. In the unlikely event a foreign object creates a chip, it may well go unnoticed as the primer coat is color-keyed to the topcoat. Further damage protection comes from bumpers that are successfully tested at twice the speed federal standards require and wide bodyside moldings that help defend the paint against carelessly opened doors or other cars or errant shopping carts in parking lots.

These features are attached to an impressive inner structure designed to withstand the punishing torsional forces exerted by roads you transverse every day. The Town Car's platform employs girder-like frame members and integral body panels, many formed from formidable alloys, including HSLA high-strength steel. Precision welded at over 1,800 points; the body is built to endure the years gracefully.

Prices were \$34,440 for the Executive Series, \$35,700 for the Signature Series, and \$37,880 for the Cartier. Production was 113,008.

Since Town Cars beyond 1994 are not yet eligible for judging, we will only highlight history for the remaining years.

The 1995 Town Car received mid-decade changes, including slightly revised styling and a new instrument panel. A Signature Series Spinnaker option package was offered, which featured a tri-color pearlescent exterior finish, Spinnaker badging, Spinnaker interior, and unique 16-inch aluminum wheels. Production for 1995 was 107,700.

Lincoln's 75th Anniversary was 1996, with Diamond Anniversary Editions offered in the Town Car, Continental, and Mark VIII. The Anniversary Edition of the Town Car

featured a moonroof, window identification, leather seats, and cellular phone and JBL audio system. Total production was 90,763,

There is little to note about the 1997 Town Car other than it was the last year before a significant styling change. Production was 104,533.

Happenings 1990

What happened in 1990 Major News Stories include East and West Germany reunite, Meca Stampede kills thousands, Iraq Invades Kuwait, Hubble Space Telescope placed in orbit, Tim Berners-Lee publishes formal proposal for the WWW, Strangeways Prison Rioting, Channel Tunnel French and English sides connect together, First in-car Satellite Navigation System goes on sale, Depletion of the Ozone Layer is discovered above the North Pole.

Switzerland -- World Wide Web

Tim Berners-Lee publishes his formal proposal for the World Wide Web during November. Berners-Lee's proposal outlined a plan for a system that would use hypertext, web pages, browsers, and web servers to share documents across the internet. Berners-Lee had first proposed his idea to colleagues at CERN in Switzerland who then worked with him to develop the system for about two years before it became functional. His original goal was to make the sharing of documents easy and universal for scientists and education purposes around the globe but had acknowledged the potential for commercial involvement. The creation of the World Wide Web has since formed the standard for how we access and use the internet.

United States - Hubble Space Telescope

NASA's STS-31 mission deploys the Hubble Space Telescope during April. The mission launched from the Kennedy Space Center in Florida. The sophisticated space telescope was carried on the Space Shuttle Discovery and deployed by the five person crew who also filmed the process using IMAX cameras. The Hubble telescope was the first space telescope put into orbit that could be repaired by astronauts when maintenance was needed.

The mission lasted five days and successfully

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 appeared in every episode of the first ten seasons except for "Everybody's Favorite Bagman," which was produced before Hill joined the cast, and the season-seven episode "D-Girl." He appeared in 229 episodes (228 episodes of *Law & Order* and the *Law & Order: Special Victims Unit* episode "Entitled") and was the last original character to leave the show's main cast.



Law and Order cast members Sam Waterston/Jack McCoy Stephen Hill/Adam Schiff Carey Lowell/Jamie Ross

Schiff is District Attorney of New York County and a graduate of Columbia University, where he served on the Law Review. He began his career as an ADA in 1973. He is a pragmatic Democrat of faintly liberal stripe, but regardless of political inclina-

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 returned to Earth, landing at the Edwards Air Force Base in California.

The most complete skeleton of a T-Rex is found in South Dakota (Sue).

More Information and Timeline for Sue the T. Rex.

One of the largest and most well-preserved Tyrannosaurus Rex fossilized skeletons is found by paleontologist Sue Hendrickson near Faith, South Dakota in August of 1990. The skeleton was named "Sue" after the person who discovered it. "Sue" was over 90 percent complete and measured about thirteen feet all and forty feet long. A team of six uncovered the skeleton over about seventeen days to remove "Sue" from the bluff where she was discovered. Chicago's Field Museum eventually purchased the specimen for over 8 million dollars and spent tens of thousands of hours preserving and assembling one of the most important dinosaur discoveries to ever be seen.

During February of 1990 Nelson Mandela was released from prison in South Africa after 27 years of imprisonment. Mandela had been one of the prominent leaders in the anti-apartheid movement. He joined the movement in 1944 and soon became the deputy national president of the oldest black political organization in South Africa, the African National Congress (ANC). In 1964, he was imprisoned for his involvement in a paramilitary branch of the ANC that had been retaliating against the government for an attack on peaceful protesters. After Mandela's release, he became the head of the anti-apartheid movement and helped negotiate its end. In 1994 he became the first black president of South Africa after being elected in the first multiracial elections.

United States - NASA Launches Ulysses Probe

1. The Ulysses space craft was launched in 1990 and was a joint effort between the ESA and NASA.
2. The probe's mission was studying the Sun and solar system's magnetic field, also known as the heliosphere.
3. The European Space Agency's (ESA) space probe "Ulysses" reached its southern most latitude in its orbit around the Sun during September of 1994.

4. The Ulysses mission was only expected to last for five years but it continued for about eighteen years and ended in 2009.

- Cost of Living 1990
- How Much things cost in 1990
- Yearly Inflation Rate **USA** 5.39%
- Year End Close Dow Jones Industrial Average 2633
- Interest Rates Year End Federal Reserve 10.00%
- Average Cost of new house \$123,000.00
- Average Income per year \$28,960.00
- Average Monthly Rent \$465.00
- Cost of a gallon of Gas \$1.34
- Price for a new Isuzu Rodeo \$12,4900.00
- IBM PS1 Computer From \$999.00 - \$1,999.00

The demolition of the Berlin Wall officially begins during June.

The official demolition of the Berlin Wall begins in June of 1990. The wall had been built in 1961 by the Communist-run East Germany to prevent defectors from traveling over the border to Capitalist-run West Germany. Control of the Berlin Wall ended in November of 1989 when it was announced that East German citizens would be allowed to cross the border with complete freedom. The removal of the wall began in June of 1990 and by October, the reunification of West and East Germany was completed. Demolition on the wall was finished in 1992.

The Leaning Tower of Pisa is closed to the public due to safety concerns of it falling over.

In January of 1990 the Leaning Tower of Pisa is closed to visitors for the first time due to fears over the safety and stability of the building. Engineers worked on restructuring and stabilizing the building by taking some of the weight out of the tower and straightening it by about eighteen inches. By December of 2001 it was reopened to the public and declared to be stable for at least another few hundred years. The Leaning Tower of Pisa had originally been constructed over a span of about 200 years between the 1170's and the 1370's and the tilt began to form almost immediately, caused by the building of a poor foundation

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More Happenings of 1990

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tions, he is never disturbed by his critics or uncooperative judges. Political persuasions sometimes cloud his decisions with regard to certain cases such as the death penalty; however, he has moral objections to capital punishment, having written a brief protesting it in 1971, but is not averse to seeking it against a defendant if voters want such a sentence carried out. He is also pro-choice.

While he is always pragmatic, resolute, and austere in his professional conduct, he has amicable relationships with his assistants. He is closest to Benjamin Stone (Michael Moriarty) and is saddened to see him resign when a witness he is trying to protect is murdered. His relationship with Stone's successor, Jack McCoy (Sam Waterston), is more problematic. McCoy is more ruthless and unconventional, and his habitual bending of trial rules occasionally garners Schiff bad publicity. However, the two eventually grow closer and respect each other. Hill's character was loosely modeled on the real former district attorney of New York, Robert Morgenthau, and Morgenthau report-

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on too soft of soil.

Other Major Events From 1990

Iraq invasion of Neighboring Kuwait

Saddam Hussein orders Iraq invasion of Neighboring Kuwait

Operation Desert Shield

Operation **Desert Shield Begins** as the United States and UK send troops to Kuwait

Poland Lech Walesa

Lech Walesa becomes president of Poland

U.S. Saturn Cars

The **Saturn range of cars** are launched by GM

Iran Earthquake

Earthquake in Iran kills 50,000

The Simpsons

Americas Favorite animated family "**The Simpsons**" is aired on Fox for the first time

U.S. Major Recession

The **US Enters a Major Recession**

Burma Elections

The National League for Democracy NLD wins free elections by a landslide majority, but the military regime has refused to hand over power.

Ban on the Trade of Ivory

A Formal **Ban on the Trade of Ivory** is introduced

UK Poll Tax

Poll Tax introduced in UK causing mass demonstrations who claimed the tax moved the tax burden from the rich to the poor

Industrialized countries agree to stop dumping waste into the oceans of the world.

John M. Poindexter (Former national security adviser) is convicted on multiple felony counts

Margaret Thatcher announces her resignation as British PM after John Major is chosen to lead the country and conservative party.

Saudi Arabia stampede Mecca

A stampede of religious pilgrims in a pedestrian tunnel in Mecca on July 2 leaves 1,400 dead

A fire at an unlicensed social club called "Happy Land" in New York City kills 87

Opposition Parties in South Africa are legalized **Nelson Mandella** released from prison

and becomes leader of the **African National Congress (ANC)**

East and West Germany reunite including currency and economies

President George Bush and Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev sign a historic agreement to end production of chemical weapons

Soviet Union leader **Mikhail Gorbachev is awarded the Nobel Peace Prize** for his efforts to lessen Cold War tensions and reform his nation

Tim Berners-Lee

Tim Berners-Lee publishes a more formal proposal for the World Wide Web and the first web page is written

Channel Tunnel workers from the United Kingdom and France meet 40 meters beneath the English Channel seabed, establishing the **first ground connection** between the United Kingdom and the mainland of Europe since the last ice age

Namibia Gains Independence From South Africa

Boris N. Yeltsin becomes president of the Russian republic.

Great Britain is gripped by a heat wave and the highest recorded temperatures in British History are recorded of 37.1C, or 99F in Nailstone, Leicestershire

Technology 1990's

The **Space Shuttle Discovery places the Hubble Space Telescope** in orbit revolutionizing astronomy.

Tim Berners-Lee publishes a more formal proposal for the World Wide Web and the first web page is written

Microsoft Releases **Windows 3.0**

A **16 megabit chip is shown for the first time**

The **First Known Case of AIDS** is traced back to 1959

The **Space Probe Voyager launched in 1977** photographed the Solar System at a distance of 3.7 miles from the SUN

18 years after its launch the **US Space Probe Pioneer** reaches a distance of 46.5 billion miles beyond all planetary orbits

Depletion of the **Ozone Layer is discovered above the North Pole**

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More 1990s

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edly was a fan of the character. Hill admitted that he found the character of Adam Schiff the hardest role he ever had because of all the legal jargon he had to learn. "It's like acting in a second language," said Hill. Hill added that he agreed with the show's philosophy, saying that "there's a certain positive statement in this show. Hill earned an Emmy nomination for Best Supporting Actor in a Dramatic Series in 1999 for his work on "Law & Order." Schiff has many friends among New York's elite, including powerful politicians, judges, and business owners. However, many of these friends prove themselves to be either corrupt or hiding secrets over the show's run. The politician who first asked that he run for district attorney, Edward Vogel (George Martin), later tries to use their relationship to quash his son's murderer's prosecution to avoid revealing his son's homosexuality. In another case, one of his closest friends, Judge Edgar Hynes (Louis Zorich), commits suicide after being caught taking bribes.

In a 1997 episode, Schiff's wife is left in a

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The **First in-car Satellite Navigation System** is sold by Pioneer

Popular Culture 1990

The Sci/Fi Channel on Cable TV starts transmitting

Twin Peaks premieres on ABC

The Milli Vanilli duo's producer reveals that the Grammy winning pop duo were lip synching in the songs on the album which gained them the award

Popular Films

Home Alone

Ghost

Dances with Wolves

Pretty Woman

Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles

The Hunt for Red October

Total Recall

Die Hard 2

Dick Tracy

Edward Scissorhands,

The Godfather Part III

Popular Musicians

Tears For Fears

Kylie Minogue

Janet Jackson with " Black Cat "

Jon Bon Jovi with " Blaze of Glory "

Erasure

Maxi Priest

Rod Stewart

Depeche Mode

The Blues Brothers

Garth Brooks

Red Hot Chili Peppers

Billy Joel

Phil Collins

Vanilla Ice with " Ice Ice Baby "

Whitney Houston

Aerosmith

Cher

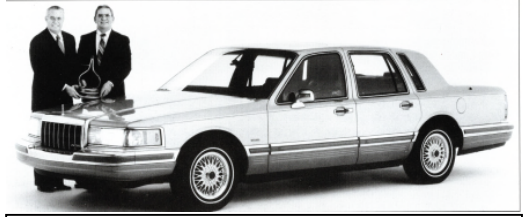
Dannii Minogue

Mariah Carey

The B-52's

Car of the Year

Motor Trend Magazine names Lincoln Town Car 1990 Car of the Year. Luxury Sedan Wins Top Honor.



Ross Roberts (right), Ford Motor Company vice president and general manager of the Lincoln-Mercury Division, accepts the 1990 Motor Trend Car of the Year Award from Robert E. Brown, Petersen Publishing Company vice president of corporate development, for the Lincoln Town Car. The Town Car won the North American auto world's most prestigious award for its unique combination of traditional American car virtues.

Detroit, January 24, 1990--*Motor Trend Magazine*, considered the world's automotive authority, today named the Lincoln Town Car as the *Motor Trend* Car of the Year for 1990.

It marks the first time in 38 years that a four-door luxury sedan has won top honors, *Motor Trend* editors said.

The *Motor Trend* Car of the Year title is a first for a Lincoln model. Ford Motor Company products have now captured the most coveted honor in the automotive industry for four of the last five years.

Motor Trend said that the 1990 award competition was one of the most closely contested competitions, with the Lincoln Town Car emerging as the decisive winner of excellence in automotive achievement. Other nominees were the Buick Reatta convertible, Buick Regal four-door sedan, Chevrolet Lumina, Oldsmobile Trofeo, Oldsmobile Cutlass Supreme, and the Pontiac Grand Prix four-door sedan.

Motor Trend magazine announced the award winner at the North American International Auto Show in Detroit for the second consecutive year since the award ceremony moved from Los Angeles to Detroit last year. The Auto Show is again being held at the newly remodeled Cobo Conference-Exhibition Center, which was doubled in size. Concurrently, the award was announced at the Los Angeles 1990 Auto Show by *Motor Trend* Editor Jack Nerad.

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coma after suffering a severe stroke. She dies after he elects to have her taken off life support. Their son Josh is mentioned in several episodes, as are Josh's own wife and son, but he never appears on the screen.

Schiff is a fan of the Boston Red Sox and Columbia Lions football.

In 2000, the character of Schiff was written out of the show to accommodate Hill's resignation. Within the show's story arc, Schiff leaves the district attorney's office to accept a role in coordinating commemorations of the Holocaust Project. He goes on to work with Simon Wiesenthal. He is succeeded by interim district attorney Nora Lewin (Dianne Wiest).

Hill and his first wife, Selma Stern, were married in 1951 and had four children before divorcing in 1964. Hill married his second wife, Rachel Schenker, in 1967, and they had five children. He resided in Monsey, New York, for many years. One of Hill's sons, Yehoshua Hill, is a rabbi and known as "Rebbee Hill."

Hill died of cancer in a New York hospital on August 23, 2016, at the age of 94.

From the internet..

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Motor Trend editors said that the Lincoln Town Car "is a performer to its character, and we (the world) are watching the curtain go up on a genuine new star."

The new Town Car embodies a seamless blending of the familiar and the futuristic, "the magazine's editors wrote in the February issue." "Its aerodynamic bodywork design retains a number of traditional styling cues, but these classical over-tones are integrated into contemporarily contoured sheet metal definitely in step with the '90s."

Other areas of excellence sighted by the Motor Trend Editors as reasons for selecting the Lincoln Town Car as Car of the Year are upgraded handling and road feel exceptional noise and vibration harshness control characteristics--making the passenger compartment one of the quietest of any car on the road today--and comfortably designed passenger seating, as well as the largest trunk space of any car in its class.

Recently, at the legendary Los Angeles County Fairgrounds and on city streets, Motor Trend editors put each nominee through a grueling week-long regimen, including a slalom course, a skid pad to determine lateral acceleration, and tests of acceleration and braking. The cars were further evaluated in a combination of stop-and-go city traffic, open freeways, and on twisting mountain road conditions.

The nine categories in which the cars were judged are styling and design, quality control, comfort, and convenience, ride and drive characteristics, chassis dynamics, acceleration, handling, dollar value, and fuel economy.

To ensure judicial integrity at the time of each test, the editors surrendered their scorebooks to an on-site representative from Ernest and Young. They were responsible for auditing each test and compiling the results.

Manufacturers' base prices for the Lincoln Town Car, Signature Series, and Cartier design range from \$27,986 to \$32,809, not including options or destination and delivery charges.

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'90 TC press release

The new 1990 Lincoln Town Car, featuring a softer, more modern appearance, an assortment of significant functional improvements, and traditional full-size luxury, roominess, and ride, is ready to show the world what a 1990s luxury car should be.

"Once you've seen and driven Town Car, it's easy to understand why we're so excited about it for 1990," said Ross H. Roberts, Ford Motor Company vice president and Lincoln-Mercury Division general manager.

"Town Car offers a unique blend of all-new sheet metal and improved functional features with traditional luxury cues of size, luggage capacity, and ride," Mr. Roberts added. "Along with improved handling characteristics, the 1990 Town Car should substantially strengthen our position in the highly competitive luxury car market."



Slightly longer and maintaining the same overall width, the car has an air-drag coefficient of 0.36 compared with 0.46 on the previous model. This reduces wind noise by allowing a quieter airflow over the car, improving fuel economy.

The interior room is improved as well. The front and rear shoulder room is increased by 1.3 inches to 62 inches, and the rear knee room is increased to 43 inches.

The 1990 Town Car features changes in the body sheet metal construction and design by using unitized construction on a body-on-frame car. These changes provide for greater tautness to Town Car's body, eliminating the

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Tom and Jean Ward's 1991 Signature Series Town car

As written by Tom Ward and originally appearing in the March/April 2004 issue of Continental Comments.



The Ward's 1991 Lincoln Town Car Signature Series at the Edsel Ford Home at the 2003 50th Anniversary of LCOOC National Meet in Dearborn, Michigan.

Before we bought our Town Car in 1991, we had owned numerous Cadillacs over the previous years, starting in 1966 with our first new Cadillac Sedan DeVille. We thought it was a great pleasure to drive, and it probably was for that day and age. Before that, we drove Mercurys and Fords of all types. Even a Hot Dog 427 fastback. We somehow did not like the 1961 to 1970 slabside Lincoln, so we went the Cadillac route. Between 1966 and 1991, we had ten different Cads, Fleetwoods, DeVilles, Eldorados included, plus one 1985 Mercedes 500 SEL four-door sedan. By that time, we were quite used to all the amenities on luxury cars.

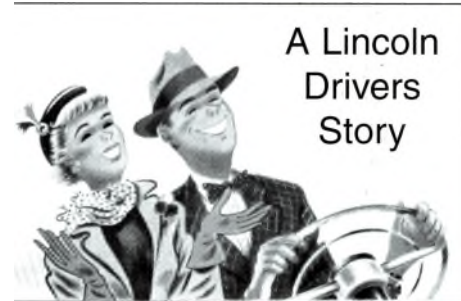
Actually, we had rented Lincoln Town Cars on trips to LCOOC Board of Directors meetings in Florida and elsewhere...Plus vacation trips back east--Carlisle, Hershey, and others. One trip to Florida and other Southern states for 29 days, we rented a brand-new (200 miles on it) 1991 Lincoln Town Car. After 29 days, we were in love with that car!! We did our best to buy that very car. The manager of Budget even made several long-distance phone calls to the Corporate Headquarters of Budget Rentals to try to get it for us. We had driven it 3,900 miles on our tour all around the area. We even offered them a bonus. They were very firm and said they could not sell a car with that few miles on it...And that was that!

Well, from that experience, we flew back to Denver, determined to find a similar Town Car in Cranberry color, matching deep red leather interior in a Signature Series, and loaded. A wholesaler friend found one for us. So, "bye-bye" Cadillac and Mercedes...We sent them down the road.

Actually, the Mercedes compared pretty well with the Town Car on equipment and accessories. As I recall, the retail price on the Mercedes was around seventy grand. I bought it used for a lot less.

Repairs on a Mercedes are out of this world in price! How-

ever, when we compared the two closely, the Town Car had much more room inside and a much larger and deeper trunk. The Town Car just felt much more comfortable. The dash and controls are nicer and are easier to see and use. Town Car gas mileage was up to 5 mpg. more than the Cad or Mercedes.



Since we live right on the edge of the foothills, we like to go up into the Rocky Mountains a lot. So we tend to judge performance on a vehicle by how well they perform going up those hills. For instance, take 1-70 from our place to Idaho Springs, Georgetown, the Eisenhower Tunnel, etc. The Town Car will go up the hill like "Jack, the Bear," and I can pass about anything on the road if I want to...Even carrying six passengers.

Repairs made for 12 years of use:

1 pair of mufflers and tailpipes

1 set of Michelin tires

Two sets of brake pads

One set of brake rotors

One oxygen sensor

Two front window regulators

One battery

Usual oil changes and grease jobs at 3,500-mile intervals

There were only two recalls on this car. It passes emissions tests "ultra-clean."

We use the car as our "good car" for trips, Sunday drives, etc., as we have two other vehicles for trips to the store, church, and running around. The car has 72,000 miles on it and will get around 23 mpg. on normal driving the speed limits, or perhaps 5 mph over the limit. We have gotten as much as 27 mpg between fill-ups in the past on trips. Snow tires have never been used on this car, as it goes great in snow or on ice...Never been stuck. We usually don't keep a car as long as this one, but this is such a great car. It still runs, drives, and is as comfortable as new. Outside of a number of rock chips on the hood and front fenders, it is hard to justify putting 30 to 40 grand into a new one that won't perform any better, is just newer, and you could get a lemon. As you can see by reading this article, my wife I are very satisfied with our Town Car. *(The Wards were among a handful of members at Dearborn in 2003 who were at the original LCOOC Dearborn Meet in 1954.)*

Jerry Flanary's Town Car

'90 T/C Press Release



Jerry Flanary's 1992 Town Car at the 2002 Eastern National Meet in Nashville.

This story originally appeared in the March/April 2004 issue of Continental Comments.

The first '90s Town Car to win major awards at our national meets was Jerry Flanary's Champagne 1992 Signature Series which won a Lincoln Trophy at the 2002 Eastern National Meet in Nashville, Tennessee, **and the Robert H. Davis Trophy at the 2002 Mid-America National Meet in Redwing, Minnesota.** The Davis Trophy, honoring a former LCOC President, is for the Best 1980 or newer Senior Lincoln.



A Champagne interior compliments the Champagne exterior with leather seats. The interior color is actually more of a saddle buff. The car has every factory option except a tow package and moonroof. Jerry bought the car ten years ago when it was only two years old and had only 12,000 miles. It was owned by an elderly couple who seldom drove it. At Nashville in 2002, it had 36,000 miles. It is Jerry's weekend and summer driving only car. It has never been out in the rain or out on a salty road. The car is absolutely brand-new. Jerry also has a 1997 Town Car, which is the last year of this body style. That car had about 80,000 miles in 2002.

In addition, he has a 1991 Continental that won a Lincoln Trophy at the 2001 Eastern National Meet in Gaithersburg, Maryland.

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traditional shake and jiggle common in large body-on-frame cars.

Other exterior changes include aircraft-type doors and flush glass, bright bumpers, and wide bright molding above the fluted lower body side.

Once again available in standard, Signature or Cartier Designer Series, the Town Car also has an all-new interior — and maintains the largest trunk in its class at 22 cubic feet.

Featured inside is a driver's-side airbag supplemental restraint system and front-passenger airbag.

Also offered is all-new seat trim, an electronic instrument cluster and easy-to-use message center, rear lap and shoulder belts for outboard passengers, power driver and passenger reclining seats with memory, and power lumbar support added to the Cartier Designer Series.

The rear-drive platform features many standard functional improvements, including speed-sensitive, variable-assist power steering, rear air-spring load-leveling, functional drip rails, and an automatic power antenna.

Some of the exciting options available on the 1990 Town Car are a four-wheel anti-lock brake system, "Insta-Clear" heat -ed windshield, electrochromic automatic dimming rearview mirror, and electronic AM/FM stereo with a compact disc player.

Seven new exterior paint colors are available on the car for 1990, including crystal blue pearlescent and Champagne pearlescent. These paints use the same basic basecoat/clearcoat process as metallic paint.

The basecoat contains a special pigment — micronized titanium dioxide —that creates what Ford engineers call a "frost" effect.



Lincoln, What a fine luxury car should be. And it was, new owners loved all aspects of the car. Sales were very good throughout its 8 year model run. Today, they are a great buy for first time collectors. Repairs are fairly easy and most parts are readily available.

Preview of Coming Events

For 2021

September *Our annual gathering at Morries Classic Cars. Scheduled for **Sunday, September 19, 2021.** This event has been postponed due to the increased infection of the COVID Delta Virus. It will be rescheduled at a later date as soon as it is safe to do so. It would be imprudent to risk the health of our members and Morries Collection staff to hold the event at this time. We are deeply sorry for the inconvenience to our members.*

Saturday, September 6, 2021, Annual Wild Rice Days Car Show, Highway 65, McGregor, Minnesota. 8 a.m. to Noon. Lots of classes.

October **Sunday Brunch, October 17** at Dehn's County Manor, 11281 Fernbrook Lane North, Maple Grove at 11:30 a.m. Service will be provided off a special breakfast menu.
LCOC Eastern National Meet, October 20-24, 2021. Full details on the LCOC website.

November Finish up 2021 with a Sunday brunch - **November 6** at the Lowell Inn in beautiful downtown Stillwater. Be there at 11:30 a.m.



For Sale

1967 Continental Convertible Two owner car with only 85,000 miles. Service records since 1977. Arctic White with newer correct leather interior and ivory top. Always pampered and maintained with original 462 V8. Stainless steel exhaust and top mechanism works fine. Award winner in Touring/Original at 2012 and 2018 Mid-America National Meet. **\$39,000 Call Jon Cumpton at 612-859-1483.**

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North Star Activities



Morries Auto Collection Fall tour and lunch

Sunday, September 19, 2021

The Morries Tour and Lunch have been postponed indefinitely due to an increase in the COVID Delta infection rate.

It was decided that we could not in good conscience risk the health of our members and Morries Collection staff at this time.

As soon as the infection rate goes down to an acceptable level we will reschedule the tour and lunch.

Regretfully, the North Star Board of Directors.



For Sale - 1983 Continental Mark VI

Original Gold and Cream paint. A Kentucky car that has always been garaged kept. Never driven during winter. Very solid body, no rust anywhere.

Features the very smooth running 5 liter fuel injected V8. Will do 23 mpg on the highway. Has all the usual Lincoln extras, keyless entry, analog

gages, excellent leather seating, AOD transmission. New battery, new fuel pump, new fuel tank, new TRW coil springs, shocks, tires and lots of other good stuff too. Please call for more details. 93,600 miles. This is an extremely well cared for Mark VI. Open to offers near \$7,000. Call Marlin at 763.452.0390 email: Life@wellnesspro.co

Wanted: Fully optioned, nice 90's Town Car, would like sun roof. Call Carlito 612.422.1225

For Sale 1979 Lincoln Mark V



Shows under 37,000 miles, two-owner car.

Diamond Blue metallic paint, rare color for 1979. Matching blue leather interior. Has moon roof and all other accessories Lincoln offered in 1979. Always garaged, never driven in winter. A great car for either touring or showing.

No dings, dents or scrapes. Have all maintenance records and factory manuals. Fairly priced at \$14,500/best offer. Call Maxine at 320-269-7547 Minnesota.