2018 Eastern National Meet - Bradenton, Florida "Lincolns Having Fun in the Sun" May 2 - May 6, 2018



The Bradenton Riverfront Marriott

The Florida Region will be hosting the 2018 Eastern National Meet (Lincolns having fun in the Sun) in Bradenton, Florida from May 2-6, 2018. Our host hotel is the Bradenton Riverfront Marriott, located 35 miles south of Tampa International Airport and 8 miles north of the Sarasota/Bradenton airport. The address is 1000 Riverfront Drive, Bradenton, Florida which is one-half mile from the bustling downtown area of Bradenton known for its tourist attractions, shopping, and nightlife. The room rate is \$139.00 per

night (plus taxes) for a standard king or queen single or double occupancy room. Vouch-

ers for two buffet-style breakfasts each day are included in the price. A junior king or queen suite are both available for \$149.00 per night. Both king and queen Riverview rooms are available for \$159.00 plus applicable taxes. Call the hotel directly at 941-747-3727 and ask for the "Lincoln Meet" rate when reserving a room.

Arrive Wednesday and join the Florida LCOC members for a welcome reception that evening and get a head start Thursday's events. Wednesday afternoon take time to enjoy the Bradenton/Sarasota area where there are plenty activities for everyone attending the meet. Especially attractive are the shops



The Ringling Museum

Marina Jack II Dinner Cruise Ship

and restaurants located on St. Armands Circle, which is just a short jaunt across the causeway from downtown Sarasota. On Thursday, we will start with a driving tour to the world-renowned Ringling Museum in Sarasota and a planned drive from the Ringling to the Sand Bar Restaurant on Anna Maria Island for lunch. After lunch, mechanical judging will be held at the hotel. Thursday night, enjoy a fabulous dinner cruise on the Marina Jack II cruise ship which features a

buffet and dining while cruising through Sarasota Bay at sunset.

Friday will begin with a driving tour to the Sarasota Classic Car Museum which is the second oldest continuously operating antique car museum in the nation. Here you will view Circus Magnate, John and Mable Ringling's collection of Rolls Royce autos, John Lennon's 1965 Mercedes Benz, and Paul McCartney's beloved Mini Cooper. Classic and muscle cars are on display side by side, including Don Garlits, dragster number two.



The museum features immaculately restored vintage automobiles spanning over a one-hundred-year history of man's automotive genius. The museum has on display over 75 automobiles, consisting of the alphabet of the world's foremost automobile manufacturers; Alfa Romeo, Bentley, Cadillac, DeLorean, Edsel, and Ferrari are just to name a few of the exquisite examples of automotive craftsmanship.

After our museum visit, it is then onto lunch at Marina Jack's on land restaurant with a scenic view of Sarasota Bay. After lunch, a membership meeting will be conducted at the hotel along with mechanical judging and car washing. Friday night begins with a cocktail reception followed by dinner and auction.

Saturday will be our traditional Concours judging followed by the awards banquet in the evening.

On Sunday morning John Walcek will be photographing the winners, and we will say our farewells from what is sure to be an exciting weekend. Please join us for "Lincolns having fun in the Sun" in Bradenton, Florida May 2-6, 2018.

To register for this meet, go to the LCOC website www.lcoc.org and click on the Eastern National Meet.

Please contact Paul Cubakovic, Meet Registration Chairman, at 412-466-2603 or email pcubakovic@msn.com if you are considering attending our 2018 Eastern National Meet in Bradenton, Florida. By doing so, you will be sent a meet package via email or USPS mail if you need a printed copy. You may download PDF forms at www.lcoc.org. This will be the only website that will have the registration packet for you to download. **Register early to ensure getting the tour and day that you want.**

Meet registration will close April 13, 2018. Please help us by registering before this date.

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