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November/December 2019



The Director's Message

 **ANOTHER** season of vintage car events is winding down and the dreaded snow and ice that puts our vehicles under cover is fast approaching. In the car activities and National Meets that you may have attended, I hope you enjoyed a great time and will continue to have good memories of them.

Our newsletter Editor Anne Zarzycki, after several years of putting out our award winning Lake Shore Lincoln Lines, informed us that she was going to retire from the position due to the anticipated move with husband Pete to warmer climates. Good luck to both of you and we hope that we will continue to see you before the

move. After sending out a notice that we would need another Editor, member Mike Louderman answered our request. We gladly accepted him. I'm sure all of us will be pleased with what he will bring to our newsletter.

Our membership meeting/meal is scheduled for Sunday, November 10th. See page 2 for more information. Three of our current Board members' terms are up this year and they all have said that they would continue being on the Board. A fourth Board member, due to health reasons, will not continue to finish out his term which will end in 2020. If there are any members who would like to be on the Board, please let me know as soon as possible. Also at the membership meeting, those members attending will receive their membership renewal letter for 2020. Those not attending will get the renewal letter mailed to them. The dues are to be paid by the end of January. Please **RETURN THE LETTER** along with your payment as we keep the information on file even if there are no changes from the previous year.

The annual Winter Party has been scheduled for Saturday, January 25, 2020 at the Makray Memorial Golf Club in Barrington, IL. Guests/friends are always welcome. Join us at this enjoyable event. More information and the order form can be found on page 5. **SAVE THE DATE!!**

Since this will be the last newsletter of the year, the Board and I want to take this opportunity to wish all of you the joys of the holiday season and a prosperous and healthy New Year!

Barb Esdale, Director

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WELCOME! NEW MEMBERS!

Al Szolwinski

Kewaskum, WI

1961 Continental 4 door sedan

1966 Continental convertible.

***Cole Emrich
& Felicia Olson***

Hampshire, IL

1979 Town Coupe

***Chuck & Judy
Wooderson***

Crystal Lake, IL

Congratulations Dan Staehle



BEST OF SHOW

in the 2019 Sixth Annual

Lincoln Homecoming

with his 1954 Lincoln Capri

Membership Meeting/Dinner November 10th @ Noon


Lets Go!

White Fence Farm

1376 Joliet Rd.,
Romeoville, IL (630) 739-1720

The Dinners for Members and the Member's Family
will be paid for by the Lake Shore Region.
Your RSVP must be sent to Barb Esdale no later than November 5th
at (847) 831-2544 or ezzy4112@yahoo.com

Results of this year's election of At-Large National Directors

 WITH 354 ballots cast for the election of *At-Large National Directors*, the Elections/Nominations Committee has voted YES to certify the election of **Pat Corbett, William Fletcher, Richard Koop, John McCarthy and Stacy Roscoe!**

These five newly elected or re-elected at-large directors will assume office on January 1, 2020 for three year term(s) that ends at midnight December 31, 2023. Additionally, President Talbourdet and Executive VP Temple have nominated **Jack Shea to be Director Emeritus**. With this anticipated appointment, that would leave the remainder of Jack's term, which expires 12/31/21, open. The nominations committee has unanimously agreed to nominate **Joe Russo**, who was also on the ballot for At-Large Directors, to complete Jack Shea's term. Jack and Joe would, respectively, take office on 1/1/20. The nominations for Emeritus Director and to fill anticipated vacant At-Large Director Shea's term (ending 12/31/21) will be voted upon during our annual November conference call.

Darren Klingler, Secretary/At-Large Director, Elections/Nominations Committee Chair

APPROVED

Lake Shore Region Event Schedule

November

**10th
Sunday**

Membership Meeting/Dinner

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December

*No Events Scheduled
for December*

January

**25th
Saturday**

Annual Winter Party

Makray Memorial Golf Club

1010 S. Northwest Hwy, Barrington, IL

See Page 5 for more Details.
Reservations Due January 20, 2020



Annual Winter Party

Saturday, January 25, 2020 @ 1:00 p.m.

**Makray Memorial Golf Club
1010 S. Northwest Hwy, Barrington, IL**

M E N U

- House Salad with Honey Mustard Dressing

Choice of: *(Fill out the reservation form below)*

- Roast Sirloin of Beef - Thin sliced Sirloin steak served with Cabernet garlic demi, Roasted garlic mashed potatoes & Grilled seasonal vegetables.
- Chicken Marsala - Pan seared chicken breast with Demi cream Marsala sauce with mushrooms.
- Grilled Salmon - Smoked tomato butter, Wild rice blend & Braised spinach.
- Dessert - Cheesecake
- Soft drinks, Coffee, Hot or Iced Tea are included with the meal. Cash bar.

COST: - \$22.00 per meal *(LSR will pay the tax and gratuity)*

KIDS MENU - Includes drink \$10.00 (ages 4 - 12)

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|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| • Buttered Noodles | • Cheese Pizza |
| • Cheese Quesadilla | • Chicken Tenders with French Fries |
| • Cheeseburger w/ French Fries | • Mozzarella Sticks |

RESERVATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY January 20, 2020

Clip the form below and mail along with your check.

NAME	ENTREE	\$AMOUNT
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TOTAL:		_____

Make check payable to LAKE SHORE REGION LCOC and mail to
Joe Esdale, Treasurer at 1769 Eastwood Avenue, Highland Park, IL 60035-2111

Member Spotlight

By Michael Louderman

Hello Everyone! I thought I would start off this new "Member Spotlight" section by introducing myself. My name is Michael Louderman and I am a fairly new member of the LCOC and the Lake Shore Region. I live in Crystal Lake, IL with my wife Christen, two boys Parker (age 6) and Hudson (age 4). Like most of you I grew up around old cars all my life and with that have a deep appreciation and come to accept the antique cars as more than a hobby but a lifestyle. For me it has spanned multiple generations as my grandfather has passed on to my father then to me and continuing on to my two sons.



I have decided to take on the duties of the Lake Shore Newsletter from Anne Zarzycki as a way to participate and give back to the club. I currently own a 1969 Lincoln Continental that has been what you would say slightly modified. It still retains an original drivetrain with its 460cu in. 365hp factory motor and C6 transmission. As the 3rd owner of the car that originally came out of Florida it gets out and driven frequently in the summer with room for the family of 4 and more! I also am a Ford enthusiast and also enjoy taking our 1929 Ford Model A out as well as teaching my two sons all about old cars and how things work. It will one day be theirs and with luck over the years they will have the knowledge of how to not only drive but maintain these vehicles that we love so much.

I encourage all of you to write in and share your vehicles, share your projects and how they came to be. There is a story behind all of us, where we were, where we are going



and the cars that drive us so passionately. So if you have something to share please send in a short biography and a couple of photos and I will be sure to include you in the upcoming newsletters. Please feel free to email me at suicidelincoln1969@gmail.com. Looking forward to seeing you at the pages and the next meet up!

1958 Lincoln LaTourian

By Jim and Cheryl Farrell

THE closest General Motors ever came to offering a production “glasstop” was an Oldsmobile station wagon offered in the 1960s called the Vista Cruiser. Buick

also produced a similar model for awhile. The back part of the Vista Cruiser’s roof jumped up and, on the front and the sides of the portion that jumped up, there was a 4 or 5 inch glass panel running the width of the raised portion.



1958 Lincoln LaTourian

“The idea was to give the back seat passengers more light and a windshield of sorts to look out of.”


At least originally, the idea probably came from the Vista Dome cars on passenger trains. According to Ben Smith, head of Lincoln’s Advanced Engineering Department at the time, in 1958, he developed and tested a Lincoln station wagon for possible production. He named the prototype the LaTourian, and hoped it would be added to the Lincoln new-car lineup for 1959.

“the 1958 year saw the development of a Lincoln Station Wagon for possible production”

Although station wagons were very popular at the time, a Lincoln station wagon was not offered in 1959, because the 1958 Lincoln didn’t sell very well. Smith also worked on an accessory removable hardtop for the ’58 Mark III convertible. It was never offered on production cars either, although at least one prototype was built. Smith regularly drove the LaTourian on the streets of Detroit. He suspects that General Motors spies took photos of it, because several years later, his idea was copied on the successful Olds and Buick Vista Cruiser station wagons.

Lincolns on the Lawn: 2019

By John McCarthy

 MY wife and I were really looking forward to having all the Lake Shore members to our home in Crystal Lake and more than a little nervous about the weather forecast for our September 7th “Lincolns on the Lawn” event, but when the sun shone brightly in the morning, we knew it was going to be a lovely warm day. Folks and their cars began arriving around 1:00 PM. Their Lincolns along with one beautiful ‘57 Oldsmobile Sedan were nicely gathered in our back yard, forming a semicircular ring.



After some socializing with the guests with drinks and snacks, our LSR members got into our beloved Lincolns and headed off to our cruise thru the gorgeous Bull Valley countryside.

The setting was just perfect as we rolled through the hills and valleys amongst the trees and white painted fences.

The cruise lasted about 45 minutes and then it was back to our home for a barbecue lunch which was expertly handled by Jim and Bill Fletcher. The hamburgers, hot dogs and various sausages off the grill were just perfect!



Almost everyone brought a dish to pass and we especially enjoyed the pasta salad provided by Barb Esdale. Terry Burns, brought all of us cupcakes that were even custom made for our event!

While relaxing after our meal, a trivia contest was next on the agenda and I soon found out that my 17 Lincoln based questions were a whole lot tougher than I was expecting! After receiving no answers, to the questions, I guess I should not have created questions that were so specific. Next time, I guarantee they will be a whole lot easier!



“What was the middle initial of Henry Leland?” (M is the answer)

Just before our guests headed for home, we announced a fun game called “guess the tool” which all our male guests were excluded. It made for a lot of laughs and all was taken in the spirit of good fun. Ms. Felicia Olson was with winner of our tool contest and took home a Starbucks gift certificate. As we said our good-byes we felt everyone had a good time enjoying their Lincolns and the fellowship that goes along with our club. Mary and I know that it was an afternoon we won't soon forget.

Till next year!



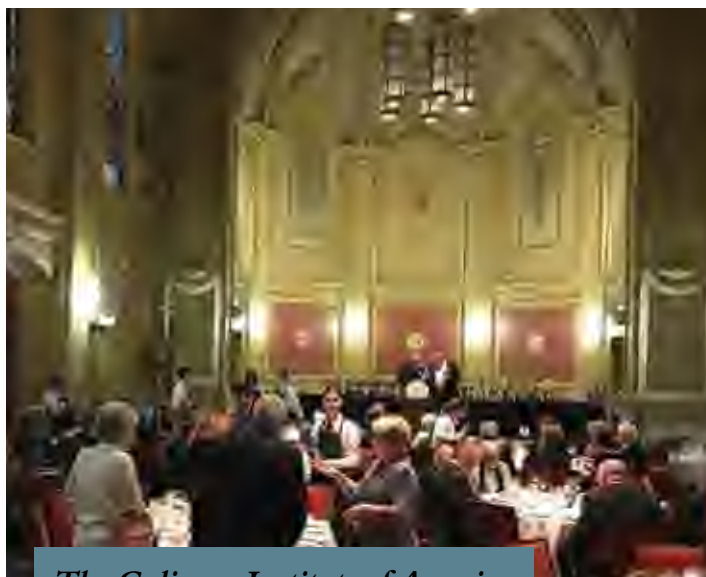
LCOC Eastern National Meet

By John McCarthy

THE Mid-Atlantic Region's 25th Anniversary was celebrated September 18 thru the 21st in conjunction with the 2019 Eastern National Meet. Just north of New York City in what is called the Upper Hudson River Valley. I and all who were there would have to agree that it was in a word.....*spectacular!*



Between the food, the sites we saw and the unbelievably beautiful weather, it was a fantastic few days. Lake Shore members Michael and Diana Vickery, Dick Nelson (who drove his beautiful Continental there), Barb and Joe Esdale and my wife Mary and I are pictured (on page 11) at the cocktail party before the main awards banquet held at the Culinary Institute of America.



The Culinary Institute of America



Front of FDR's Home



“an experience all of us will never forget.”

Several tours were available over the 3 days included FDR’s home and Presidential Library, St.James Church, the Vanderbilt Mansion and Coachhouse, a great winery, and a walking pedestrian bridge 270 feet over the Hudson River!



It seemed as if every detail of this entire event was handled with great aplomb. Dick Nelson’s nearly perfect 1985 Givenchy Continental Sedan received an additional Emeritus Award congratulations Mr. Nelson!

While not an inexpensive trip by any measure, the combination of beautiful Lincolns and the great fellowship that only a Lincoln National Meet can provide made for an experience all of us will never forget.

*Left to Right
Dick Nelson, Michael and Diana Vickery,
John and Mary McCarthy, Joe and Barb Esdale*

1978 Lincoln Continental Town Car

By Tom Klockau

Your Best Bet's A Well, You Know...

As a member in good standing of the Lincoln and Continental Owners Club since 2015, I always have an eye out for interesting old Lincolns. That includes when I'm on the way to work, stuck at a red light, or perusing Craigslist and ebay. Just last week I spotted this one on the electronic bay, and the condition was such that I was compelled to share it!



A triple Wedgewood Blue 1978 Lincoln Continental Town Car with the mighty 460 CID V8 and only 50,300 miles on the clock. Yowza!

Go on ebay at any time, and odds are there will be several 1975-79 Continentals. Many were made, many were purchased by well-to-do folks who cherished them and drove them sparingly. But this one stood out. I mean, look at this car. What really sold it for me was this picture of the top. If you recall Laurie Kraynick's update on her 1970 Fleetwood Brougham last week,



you know that vinyl roofs were notorious for degrading. Splitting and peeling, trapping moisture and rusting out the sheetmetal beneath. But here we have an as-new molding, perfect sheetmetal and paint, and even the stitching looks fresh. This is a car that's been cared for.

In 1979, the 460 was no longer available in Continentals or Mark Vs, with only the 400 left to motivate them. These were big cars, and with only the 400 under the hood, acceleration was, shall we say, not brisk? So a '78 with the 460 is the one to have.



But back to the car.

I love the triple Wedgewood Blue! It may be over the top for many, but this was an over the top car, to loudly announce your good fortune and country club membership.

You'd made it. No sense in hiding it, you know.

Selecting the Town Car package to the standard Continental sedan added, among other finery, these sumptuous, floating-pillow thrones. And while all Cadillacs save the Eldorado had been downsized the year before, the Continentals, and lesser Ford LTDs and Mercury Marquises, were unapologetically giant. These were true six passenger cars. Perfect for taking to the supper club for prime rib, a football-sized baked potato with butter and sour cream, and several gin and tonics!



If you're familiar with mid- to late '70s FoMoCo automobiles, you'll know that the woodgrain trim on these steering wheels were notorious for breaking off on the ends of the spokes, by the cruise control buttons. Even on near showroom new, low mile examples. But as you can see on this one, they are totally intact. That takes some serious care. I've just always really liked these. Part of this is due to our neighbor across the alley when I was a kid in the '80s. Bill Yokas and his wife were probably in their late '50s when I was ten. But Bill had a magnificent 1979 Continental Collector's Series in white with navy Kasman II cloth. It had been his brother's car, and when he passed away Bill inherited it.



It was a garage queen, only driven to the Greek Orthodox church on Sunday. He was very tolerant of me and my brother, and we'd often go over there when he was working on a project in the garage, or just trimming the hedges facing the alley. I remember sitting in that car, and just being overwhelmed by the plushness. Now this was a car! A fine car.

Intrigued? If so, check out the ebay auctions, and remember a time when American cars were unquestionably American, not a riff off of primo Euro and Asian cars, or-God help us-crossovers. And if you happen to get a car like this, don't forget the Billy Joel cassette or 8-track tape!



1951 Lincoln Cosmopolitan Convertible

This rust free California car had a ground up restoration including a professional engine and transmission rebuild. Every effort was made to insure original factory specifications for this award winning car. Awards include LCOC Lincoln Trophy, Coughlin Memorial Trophy and AACA Grand National 1st place. Also winning a Golden Lion at Meadowbrook and the Geneva Concours d'Elegance "Best Paint of Show." Driven less than 1900 Miles since its restoration, this rare gem is one of 857 Cosmopolitan Convertibles built for 1951 and is in showroom new condition.



Equipment: Lincoln 337 CID V8, Four Speed HYDRA-MATIC Drive, Power Windows, Power Seat, Power Antenna, Power Top, Leather Interior, Rebuilt original 8 Tube AM Radio, Dual Side view Mirrors, Floormats, WSW Tires.

Price \$74,000

Contact: Doug Dykema, West Chicago, IL
708-989-0125 Call for more information.

1977 Lincoln Town Coupe parts

A 1977 Lincoln Town Coupe parts car.

A pretty complete car except no engine or transmission.

This car is from Washington State is virtually ***rust free so good body parts!***



So? What parts do you need for your Lincoln??
Contact: John McCarthy, Crystal Lake, IL
847-997-9944

1977 Lincoln Town Coupe

1977 Lincoln Town Coupe. Exceedingly rare and beautiful Black Diamond color.

60,000 original FL miles. 400 engine. Dove Grey leather.

Virtually all original. Needs nothing. Brand new tires!



Price: \$12,000 or *first reasonable offer*.

Contact: John McCarthy, Crystal Lake, IL
847-997-9944 Call for more information.

Market Place

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Lincoln & Continental Owners Club**

This newsletter is issued bi-monthly to provide information to the Lake Shore Region membership.

Members are encouraged to submit articles and photos of their cars which will be utilized and edited as space will allow.

FOR SALE ads are free for Region members and \$10 for nonmembers.

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For Sale

Seller Rates: Approx. 2-1/2" x 4" space is free for two issues per year to members. After two issues and for non-members the rate is \$10 per issue. 5" x 4" space is \$25 per issue.

Buyers: Items and descriptions are not verified or warranted by the Lake Shore Region or the Lincoln & Continental Owners Club. Editor reserves the right to modify layout size, text and format to fit available space.

Order Your Name Badges Today

Did you miss the first order opportunity?

You can still order your magnetic backed name badges for only \$7 each. The best part of this club is the friends you meet. **Help them remember you.** PRINT the names you want carefully on a sheet of paper along with your address and send with a check payable to "**Lake Shore Region LCOC**". to Joe Esdal, Treasurer, 1769 Eastwood Ave., Highland Park, IL 60035. Order an extra set of badges to have in your car so that you can be ready for the fun anytime! Members who have just joined may order theirs for only \$4 each within 30 days of joining.

Notice:

In order to be a member of the Lake Shore Region of LCOC, you must also join the national LCOC organization. To become a member of the Lincoln & Continental Owners Club (LCOC) call the LCOC Membership Office at 763-420-7829 or go to <http://lcoc.org/Join.htm>