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Front cover: 1969 Mark III at the 2019 Eastern National Meet.

Back cover: "Of Unqualified Excellence" 1931 Lincoln Model K Town Sedan

NEXT EVENT

December 1 (Sunday) 1:00 pm
Annual Membership Meeting and
Christmas Party
The Bluebird Restaurant
Morristown, Indiana

Notes from the director

2019 has been a very fast year for me. It is November already. The Hoosier Region has not been as active this year as in the past, and I will accept the blame. I did not get event information out to the members in a timely manner. One of our members has agreed to help me with the promotion of our events in the future. While we did have several functions, attendance was low. Canceling the 9th annual summer picnic at Lime Rock Farm due to wet conditions in the area we were planning to park the show cars was a difficult decision for Eleanor and me. We had 115 guests signed up to attend, but only 20 were from the Hoosier Region LCOC. In 2018 we had 30 members attending, and in 2017 we had 50 from the Region. Has the picnic run its course? Would our members like a change of scenery for our main summer event? Please let the Board of Managers know your thoughts and suggestions.

January, February, March, July, and November were months without scheduled events. April's event, lunch at Bynum's had 23 in attendance. Only two attended the car show/theater organ concert at the Warren Center for the Performing Arts. June was canceled but would have had 20 members present. The afternoon of pizza, the Schaefer Collection, and Avriel Shull-designed home in August had ten members. September brought the Sharonville, OH Ford transmission plant tour and car show had three attending. Five were in Greensburg in October for the Fall Harvest Festival at High Pointe Orchard. National events such as the Lincoln Homecoming at Hickory Corners, MI, and the Eastern National Meet in Poughkeepsie, NY, were well represented by our Hoosier Region members.

Our last event for 2019 is the Christmas Party/annual meeting will be on Sunday, December 1, 1:00 P.M. Once again, we will be at the Bluebird Restaurant in Morristown. Plan to attend and enjoy some delicious fried chicken.

I know of a 1931, 1956, and 1971 Lincolns that have been added to three of our members' collections in 2019. Please let us know if any other additions have been added to our Lincoln and Continental family.

My home phones, 765-629-2406 and 765-525-6899, cell phone 765-561-4900, and e-mail jscolumbe@tds.net, are always open for questions, comments, general conversation, and even complaints. Just pick up your phone, or peck on your keyboard.

Continently yours, Joe S. Columbe



The Fall Harvest Party and Car Show at High Pointe Orchard

By Jeff Shively

Sunday, October 6 was wet and dreary as members of several car clubs, including the LCOC, descended on High Pointe Orchard just north of Greensburg. The meal as delicious, and despite the poor weather, several interesting cars were on hand, including several Packards, Cadillacs, and even a LaSalle.

Lincolns were scarce, but the one that was present, Charlie Mullen's "new" 1931 Model K Town Sedan, was quite impressive. It received the lion's share of post-dinner admiration and conversation.





We truly had a “Magical Mystery Tour” with many extra features on this leisurely drive through the countryside. Beatles fans recall McCartney and Lennon thought it fascinating to get on a bus and not know where you’re going. “Rather romantic and slightly surreal,” they said, and so named their song. Bus rides with unknown destinations were popular at that time in England.

*So drive up, drive up for the
magical mystery tour.
Were hoping to take you away..
and so go the lyrics!*

Our first stop was at the home of Gladys Pike. Everyone fell in love with this lovely place. Located on Mill Creek in Decatur County, the log home was built by Gladys and her husband without the aid of cranes, and used huge poplar logs

salvaged from nearby. The main house was constructed from a log barn and has such a feel of warmth and comfort. A log guest house was also



reconstructed onsite by the Pikes as was the adjacent workshop, built over and spanning part of the



Gladys holding her audience spellbound.



The guest house



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creek. Each was built using logs they disassembled, numbered and reassembled on their property. At one time a sluiceway with mill was near where the house is located today. One local mill even made uniforms and blankets for the Union during the Civil War. Originally the area was named Paultown, and later changed to St. Paul. With the arrival of the railroad it was hoped, the mills would all prosper, but instead the train brought goods from larger towns and the mills collapsed. That is when the area discovered huge deposits of stone and soon became a major site of stone quarries, second only to Bedford.

There is no way to capture all of the history and knowledge Gladys shared with us. Her antiques were all first class, not just hand-me-downs. Each was the best of the best. It was also exciting to hear many comments from our members as they spotted items they could remember seeing at a favorite grandmother's house. Her numerous porch swings perched under the wrap-around porch. I could have spent the rest of the day on one of them! All too soon it was time to say farewell to our "new best friend." Thank you Gladys!

A short drive took us to the restored office of Dr. M.A. Tremain on the grounds of Adrian and Karen Scripture's home. The trees, the landscaping and their house alone were worth making the trip! Dr. Tremain, it seems, was the family doctor of Adrian's family years ago, and when the Doctor had free time he would exit the rear door to do some gardening. This office is complete with many antique medical

instruments, antique pharmacy items, and even the garden is recreated nearby. Some of the apothecaries had been confiscated by Feds during the era of gangsters and speakeasies. Adrian and Karen are known for major restoration projects they are undertaking in their community. Their home and even their pole barn are spectacular. Adrian, you could add some old cars inside the pole barn! Thank you so much for your wonderful hospitality.

Another pleasant drive took us to the Moscow Covered Bridge, a mere 334' long, and the third longest covered bridge in the state. Now it wasn't midnight there, and we didn't go to Red Square, but everyone



*Above: Dr. Tremain's restored office.
Left: Adrian Scripture and his gate posts.*



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enjoyed the pleasure of driving over and seeing the bridge. Later our great host, LCOC Hoosier Region director Joe Columbe, explained how some bridge work had been performed on the floor of the bridge, leaving the bridge unattached to the piers in the river bottom. You might describe it as a floating bridge. Guess they thought as it had been there since 1886 it wasn't going anywhere. Sadly, though, in 2008 a tornado literally dumped the bridge into the Big Flatrock River. A major restoration effort was undertaken and in September 2010 it was dedicated and reopened. It handled the Full Classics® on tour just fine, as the Classics didn't even make the Moscow Bridge groan!

Joe and Eleanor Columbe welcomed us to their home and was it ever a "Field of Dreams." Helped by his brothers, Dave and Robert, a huge collection of Thunderbirds and Lincolns (many, many '69s, of course!) were displayed for our delight. These three brothers have lived adjacent to each other on the family property for many years and made their living in the quarry

business. Their family is well known in the Moscow/Milroy area through the workings of Old Reliable Quarry, Inc. Joe explained how he likes to collect the last car produced in each of the series of Lincoln Continentals, and indeed he has. It was a delight to stand back and observe the design progression of these cars. One of them, with very low mileage, and original paint has an interior with absolutely no wear. A true time capsule. Soon Eleanor rolled out a golf cart with baked items and snacks for all to enjoy. I told Ed Dalton he should "take two- they're small." He already had! There is talk of a return visit in the future, which everyone should definitely attend.

Next, one of the magical extras was a stop in Homer, Indiana, to visit the Sampler. Their cherry wood furniture is worth seeing, and I am aware of at least one sale that resulted from that visit. Guess I'll need to hold off buying that next Packard part for a bit. Everyone had smiles on their faces while exploring this locally made fine furniture.

Winding down and relaxing from this all too brief tour, we headed for the local library in Greenfield

to dine at Carnegie's. Great conversations, spirited discussions and such fine food. Paula and I have already set plans to return. Glazed salmon with horseradish sauce – why am I suddenly feeling hungry?

The food was great and Larry Pumphrey promised "they have books to read if you're not hungry." Since I wanted to do both, I stumbled around trying to find the books. Finally found the book shelves and a book titled "American Classics." Perfect! Turned out it was about classic recipes, not cars. Oh well, cooking, that's what they're good at doing!!!

With a great day behind us we thank our hosts and the days planners for this Magical Mystery Tour. Sorry if you weren't able to attend, but many enjoyed the day! There were several great cars attending in addition to Joe Columbe's Lincolns including Andy Wolf's 1947 Packard, Stu and Clara Blair's 1936 Pierce Arrow, and Carol and Larry Pumphrey's 1937 Packard. Everyone went home with pleasant memories!



Mid-Century Modern in the Circle City

By Jeff Shively

It was a rainy Saturday afternoon on August 17 when members of the Hoosier Region LCOC and Indiana Region CLC met at Greek's Pizza on 16th Street on the Near-East Side of Indianapolis for an afternoon of car gazing and good food. For the uninformed, Greek's Pizza is a small Hoosier restaurant chain with 27 stores that started about 50 years ago. It's what you'd expect from a place with that kind of lineage— great pizza pies and not a lot of frills.

After eating our fill at Greek's, we made our way a short distance to the collection of Phil Schaefer. Located in an industrial area, the facility is not impressive at first glance, but the treasures residing inside are worth a look. Dealing in Lincolns, Cadillacs, Imperials, with a Packard thrown in for spicy, all of Phil's cars are unusual. Perhaps the most reasonable car is the pink 1956 Premiere convertible owned by his grandmother and given to him when he graduated from high school over 40



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first Lincoln—
that never was—
any cars that Phil has
the Tharp boys (r)
n matching boat.



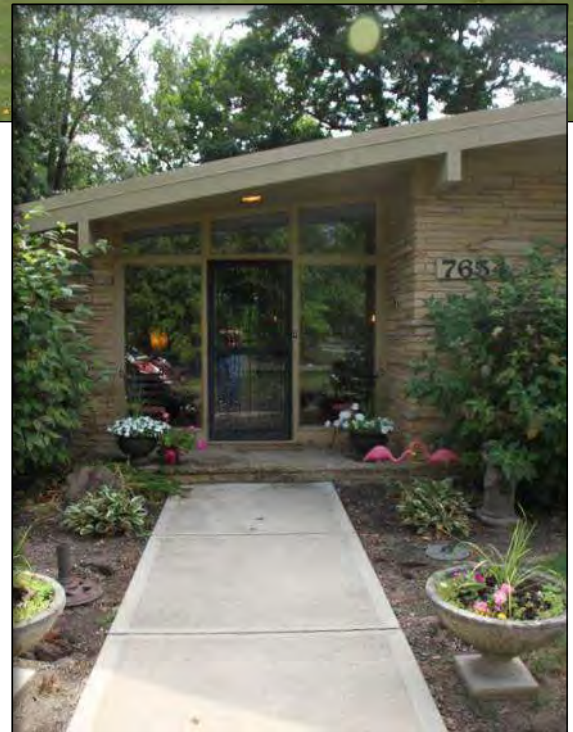
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years ago. There is the 1956 Lincoln station wagon that never was...a Mark III sedan, a 1959 Mark IV with a padded top, and the list goes on. Everyone enjoyed seeing the cars and Phil's other obsession, vintage campers.

The final stop of the day was at CLC member Michael Fellenzer's "new" home in Meridian Hills. Designed by Avriel Shull and built in 1961, this impressive Mid-Century home is an exquisite expression of that design esthetic. Michael not only provided delicious desserts for all who came, but he also gave an interesting tour and explained its unique details.

LCOC members who attended included John and Jupei Hannon, Lars and Jaunda Kneller, John Madden, Jeff Shively, Paul Temple and his grandson, Rhett Tharp and Allan Tharp.





The LCOC Turns Kalamazoo Ford Blue

By Jeff Shively

The 2019 Lincoln Homecoming was hosted by the Road Race Lincoln Register. There were a lot of fine 1949 to 1957 Lincolns present this year. Besides the Saturday main-event car show, there were tours of the Kellogg Mansion and the Gerald R. Ford Presidential Museum as well as a and even a chance to race other Lincoln-lovers at a local drag-strip! Other Ford marques were invited to “Turn Kalamazoo Ford Blue.” There was one fine looking Edsel on the field on Saturday. Here are a few highlights of the meet. Pre-war examples made a good showing. My favorite of this era was the 1942 Lincoln-Zephyr cabriolet. Of course the black 1963 Continental sedan was the object of a lot of attention. For more complete coverage, turn to *Comments* 351.

Right: 1928 Lincoln
Model L limousine





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Above: 1954 Lincoln Capri convertible

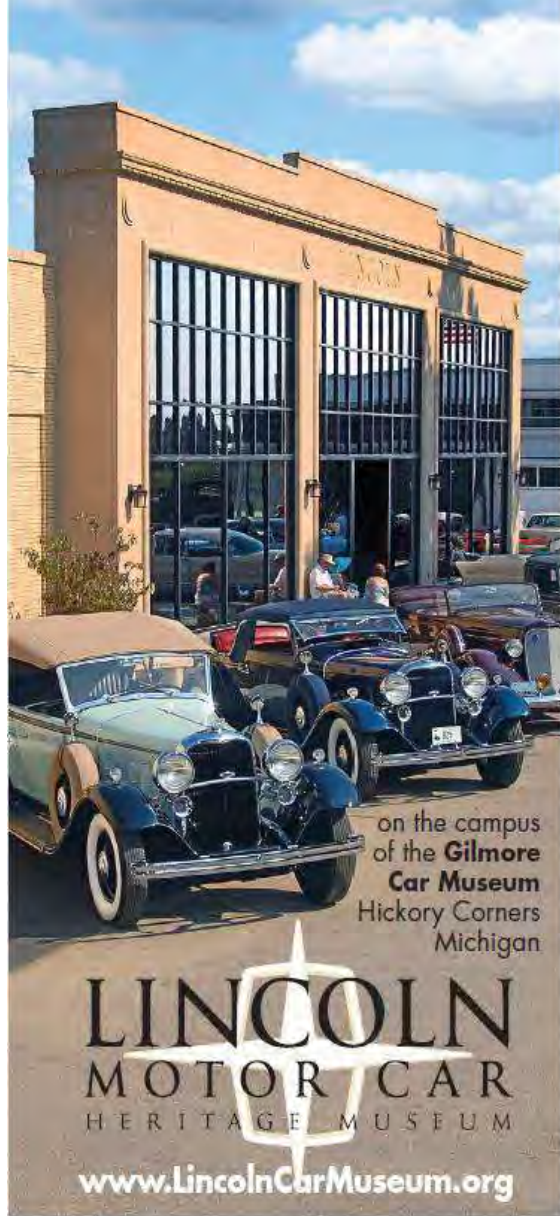
Right: 1963 Lincoln Continental sedan

Facing page, top:
1932 Lincoln Model K convertible coupe

Bottom: 1942 Lincoln-Zephyr cabriolet



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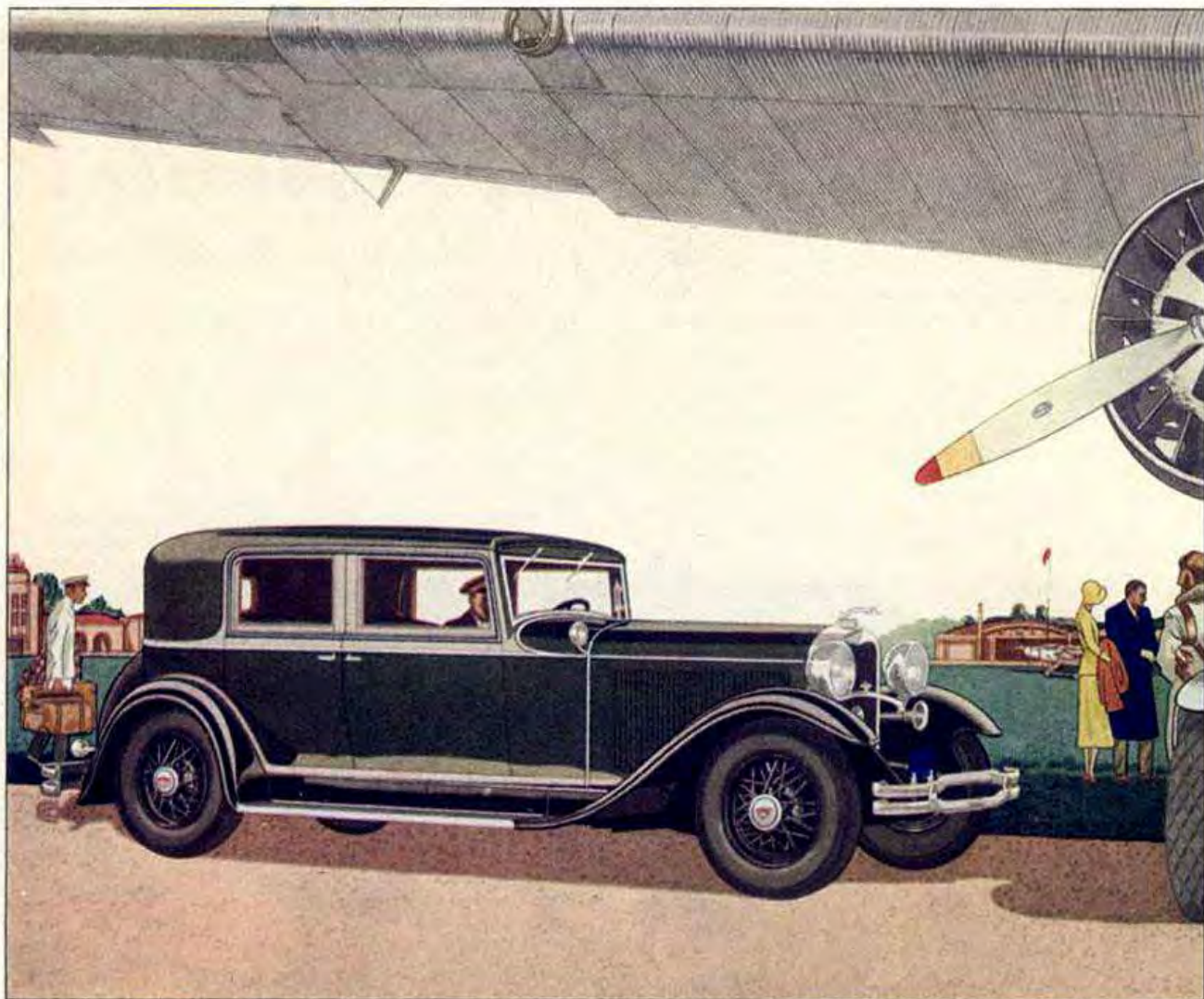
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