

Presidential Ponderings with John Talbourdet

"Thoughts On Morgantown"

Ational Meets have returned! The Eastern National Meet, held in Morgantown, Pennsylvania, and hosted by the Philadelphia Region, just wrapped up a few days ago. It was great to be able to gather and enjoy my Lincoln family after a long two-year pause. There were 72 Lincolns in attendance, and everybody easily got back into the groove of catching up with friends and enjoying the local area and events. These events focused on railroads, covered bridges, neat backroad drives through farm country, and excellent food.

The venue was perfect for automobile aficionados, with the hotel connected to the Classic Auto Mall. The mall contains 400+ vehicles covering all years and manufacturers, making for an interesting place to spend time enjoying the diverse collection. There is something for everybody, and the collection is dynamic, with cars being moved around while I was wandering the mall. One really neat feature of this location was the region arranged for two large showrooms where members could drive in and store their Lincolns for the entire event and still be able to use them for the activities. These were heated and well lit, making it much easier for members to clean their cars and keep them dry and snug! Saturday's weather was overcast and drizzly, so the team decided to hold the Concours in the showrooms. This required a little shuffling to get all the vehicles in place, but

everybody cooperated, and soon the Lincolns were ready for judging. The warmth and excellent lighting made for a good display highlighting members' cars. All this was connected directly to the hotel, so members did not have to brave the weather.

The continuing impact of COVID-19 required a review of whether the 2022 Board Meeting should be held in-person or by Zoom. A poll of the board members indicated that more could be accomplished with a Zoom meeting. This will be held on the weekend of January 15-16. A follow-up meeting is planned at the Western National Meet to continue building momentum as we return to normal activities. If you have an issue for the Board, don't hesitate to contact a board member or Regional Director so it can be included on the agenda.

The team is refining the 2022 National Meets. The Western National Meet, hosted by the Western Region, is being held in Palm Springs, California, on May 4-8. The organizers have some special events planned in this unique location. The LCOC is hosting the Grand National, held in conjunction with the Homecoming in Hickory Corners, Michigan, on August 8-14. This will be a special celebration marking the 100th anniversary of Ford purchasing the Lincoln Motor Company. The meet starts in Dearborn Monday with some unique activities related to Ford and Lincoln history. Midweek we will move the celebration to



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Hickory Corners with more events culminating with LCOC Concours judging on the grassy expanse of the Gilmore Car Museum campus. We anticipate participation from Lincoln Motor Company to mark this milestone. Put these exciting events on your calendar and get your Lincoln(s) ready to attend.

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