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Director's Message

Dear Philadelphia Region Members,

Well, the warm weather is finally here, and it looks like smooth
Cruising from here on out!

I am sure by now, we are all anxious for a car show cruise or
anything car related of any kind, but team I can tell you our region
is geared up for one heck of an Eastern national meet which
promises to be one of the best shows you will ever attend, I can
promise you that, and if that's not enough, we even have next year
at Gettysburg!!!

Also, we have some other events plans such as the New Hope car
show, the Peddlers Village car show AACA Eastern National Meet
in Hershey and of course the LCOC Eastern National Meet in
Morgantown Pa. from October 23 to the 27th!

Some announcements that I have are as follows, Tom Wizda Is our
newly appointed webmaster for the Philadelphia region. Tom not
only is a National at Large Director of the LCOC, and now is going
to take on the challenge of being the webmaster for the
Philadelphia region and will provide all information and pictures
that are pertinent to the Philadelphia region and national interest.

Thank you for this important role that you are taking on Tom!

We have a lot of activity this past month with Carlisle, which
congratulations are in order for Ivan and Sherrie Reed who won
first prize for their 1989 Lincoln Continental Mark 7 convertible!!
Congratulations to the Reed family for this prestigious honor, well
done and well deserved!

Also, congratulations are in order for Anya Rentsch Who won
"horses and horsepower "show in Upperville Virginia! More to
follow on this, but congratulations to Anya for this prestigious win!
Looking ahead folks gearing up for a great Show season with the
New Hope car show, our signature shows at Peddlers Village,
Hershey and of course, the daddy of all the Eastern National Meet
to be held at the Classic Auto Mall in Morgantown PA.

Registrations will be Forthcoming the first week of July, so stay
tuned folks you want to register for this great show. Also, if you
are an AACA, please make sure you have your AACA membership
card with you because one of the days has the tour of the
museum, and headquarters and as you know as a member, you
have free admission so please don't forget your card, if you don't
have it, call the headquarters and ask them to send you another
Membership card.

Lastly, please keep in your prayers, fellow members, Ron Ross, and
Gary Morton who went through some health issues.

Enjoy this beautiful weather in your Beautiful Lincoln in good
health!

Sincerely,
Continentially yours,
Carl Villone

Philadelphia Region Director



Philadelphia Region LCOC Club News

EDITOR'S MESSAGE

Never knew I was a car girl. Never thought I would own a classic Lincoln or be the editor of your LCOC newsletter but, I am very happy for both. So hello everyone.

I had a few memorable cars in my time such as a 1975 Datsun 260Z, 1986 Camaro T-Road and several others. Growing up in an Italian family of eight and the oldest child of six, I got my license at 15 to chauffeur my siblings to and from school. In the 70's we saw plenty of Lincoln Town cars and Marks in our family and neighborhood. A friend of mine had a Mark V that we always drove around in to go for ice cream, dances or roller skating.

As a slightly older me, I have four children and three grandchildren whom I love dearly. I have worked in the construction industry for quite some time and love it.

I hope you enjoy the issue.

Theresa Lauro, Editor

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Registration for the 2024 Eastern National mtg in Morgantown PA, from 10/23 to 27, will begin the first week of July, please look for email so you can register for this great event,
- The New Hope car show will be August 10th. Please register your car, they will be in additional trophies that I will give out as well. In addition, the new hopes first, second & third place.
- Mecum auto auction from 7/24 to 7/27. All Philadelphia LCOC region are invited, please message our Director by July 20th because we need to know head count before July 24th
- The Valley Forge Reion Cadillac & LaSalle Club and LCOC – Philadelphia Region have announced its Annual Peddlers Village Car Show on September 29, 2024 See registration sheet on page 12



POLICY ON EDITING ARTICLES FOR THE CONTINENTAL STAR

The submission of articles and Letters to the Editor is encouraged; however, it is the policy of the Philadelphia Region Lincoln and Continental Owners Club that materials submitted to be part of any publication sponsored by this club will be rejected if, in the Opinion of the Editor or other persons designated by the Board of Directors/Managers, such submissions contain statements that are inflammatory, contain personal opinions that could promote dissension among members, are disparaging to a member or member's car, and/or contain derogatory or uncomplimentary comparisons of one or more types of Lincolns. Submissions to The Continental Star are subject to unrestricted review and editing. Longer articles may be returned for revisions and all submissions will be edited for grammar, accuracy, clarity, and length. The information and opinions expressed in The Continental Star by members and others are not necessarily those of The Philadelphia Region Lincoln and Continental Owners Club, its officers, directors, and staff.

Sunshine

- ❖ Ron Ross is recovering in Rehab for a recurring enrollment.
- ❖ Gary Morton is recovering from a Heart operation.

We wish them all the best & a speedy recovery

Member News

This section of the Star focuses on newsworthy events involving our members

- ❖ Anya Rentsch – won 'Horses and Horsepower' show in Upperville, Virginia. Show as an annual event that invites local and variety of premium vehicles from the Virginia's Fauquier and Loudoun Counties. Anya was invited to bring her 1956 Lincoln Premiere convertible. This is the 3rd year she has displayed her Lincoln at this event. This year, Anya's Premiere captured the top prize, The Peoples Choice Award. Award was presented by John Dennege, the shows chair, followed by Congratulations and Recognition with Virginia's Governor Glen Youngen. Wow that exciting!!
- ❖ Many thanks to those who help put the newsletter together by providing content and ideas. The Continental Star is *your* newsletter!
- ❖ Carl Villone will be interviewed by T.V. Station RNV on July 30th. The Show is called **Coffee with Joe**, more details to follow.

Editor's Note – if you have a newsworthy item regarding a member of the Philadelphia Region of the LCOC please forward it to your faithful editor. Submit story ideas to Theresa Lauro – thunder1356@msn.com
Thank you.





Spring kickoff to the car season hosted by Scott Nickett

Four Car Clubs, Great Food & Beautiful Cars

Sunday April 21st found many of us gathered at a first of its kind event hosted by Scott & November Nickett in beautiful Bucks County, PA. Over 190 people attended with 60 cars on display.

Members of the Philadelphia region joined fellow car enthusiasts from the Cadillac and LaSalle club, the AACA, LCCA, and the Packard club at Scotts estate.

In addition, to Scott's wonderful collection, Philadelphia region secretary Mike Stinson's collection was also on display.

Throw in all the cars driven by the members of these clubs to this event and it was quite an impressive gathering.

Equally impressive was the food and the hospitality shared by all in Scott's garage.

Great thanks and appreciation to Scott & November Nickett for their hard work and hosting along with Mike Stinson and Carl Villone for organizing this great start to the 2024 season.





Philadelphia Concours d'Elegance



Founded in 2017 nonprofit [Cool Cars for Kids \(CCfK\)](#), the Philadelphia Concours d'Elegance is the only concours in the city of Brotherly Love. Cool Cars for Kids is a nonprofit that supports care and research for children and families with rare genetic diagnoses.

Over the years the concours has grown to become a staple in the tri-state car collectors world. Our unique location at the Simeone Foundation Automotive Museum gives our guests unparalleled access to one of the world's finest collections of cars.

LCOC Members Carl Villone, Scott Nickett, and Jim Wickel proudly represented our region and LCOC at this year's Philadelphia concours June 22 & 23, 2024.



Event Calendar

This calendar includes notable car shows and related events for 2024. These dates are tentative and will be updated as we get new information.

Event	Date	Location	For More Info...
Central PA Auto Auction's Annual Classic Car Auction	7/18/24 to 7/20/24	Mill Hall, PA	
Every Car Road Rally	7/28/24	New Hope, PA	Every Car Road Rally New Hope Automobile Show (newhopeautoshow.com)
New Hope Auto Show	08/11/24 to 08/12/24	New Hope, PA	https://newhopeautoshow.com/
Haddonfield Auto Show	09/14/24	Haddonfield, NJ	\$20 no pre-registration – Kings Highway between Haddon Avenue & Patco high-speed line
Fall Hershey 2024 AACA Eastern Fall Nationals	10/08/24 to 10/11/24	Hershey, PA	Event Schedule - Hershey Region AACA
Peddlers Village: LCOC & Cadillac La Salle Club	9/29/24	Lahaska, PA	See Registration sheet on Page
2024 LCOC Eastern National Meet:	10/23/24 to 10/27/24	Morgantown, PA	https://lcoc.org/2024-eastern-national-meet/
2025 LCOC National Meet Save these dates NOW	6/18/25 to 6/22/25	Cincinnati, Ohio	LCOC-2025-Mid-America-Meet.pdf
The Philadelphia Region LCOC 2025 Eastern National	9/17/2025 to 9/21/2025	Gettysburg, PA	Save the Date!

SAVE THE DATE*

The Philadelphia Region LCOC will be hosting the 2025 Eastern National Meet!! The Meet will be held in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania.

September 17th through September 21, 2025.

You WON'T want to miss this very exciting event!!

[2025 - Eastern National Meet – Lincoln & Continental Owners Club \(lcoc.org\)](#)



The Greenwich Concourse the Elegance

By Scott Nickett

It was a beautiful day and the two categories were luxury cars of the 50s and luxury cars of the 60s and they chose our 61 Imperial to go up on stage to compare to a 1961 Continental and a 1959 Cadillac convertible barrettes, and it was a very interesting conversation in the differences of the cars. We were very fortunate with the 61 Imperial convertible to get first place in class and the 1957 Turnpike Cruiser we got a special award called the wing Carini Chasing Cars award that he personally chooses the car from the whole show field for the award and then gives it to the award recipient which was us. It was a great show and a lot of fun.

Thank you, Scott Nickett



Oops?

By: Jim Wickel

Anyone who has ever tried to fix, build, paint, write, fly, or you name it, has uttered the expression oop's more than one time in their lives.

The thing about oop's is that it can be a teacher, frustrater, daily event, and to some a rare visitor. I fall somewhere between teacher and daily event.

This is a self-grading test, so you are safe, no one else will revisit your past oop's but you. In fact, this test may be another oop's (can you use oop's with a second apostrophe to make it oop's' more than one, or is this just another oops on my part)?

My first car as most of you know was a 1940 Ford sedan. I was just short of 16 and not very schooled in mechanics. I wanted to make this car run as good as I could so a tune-up was in order, new plugs, wires, and points. I understood gapping the plugs and points since I had watched the neighbor do this on a 35 Olds. I had some idea of the function of distributor based on the definition of the word, but how it worked was a miracle to me. To further complicate this Ford at that time had it split distributor one for each side. Everything went well until I started the car. It barely ran, backfired, and shook all over. I did not understand. That evening, I asked my buddy's father for some help. The first thing he said - did you check the firing order. What was that I asked - oop's.

Several months later I decided to paint the 40 Ford dark green, almost a British racing green. I had done some reading in a few magazines at the service station where I worked. You remember service stations gas, oil, oil changes, grease jobs, tires, clean windshield all performed by a smiling person in a clean uniform. They're all gone now just like the dinosaurs.

I purchased sandpaper, primer, and a gallon of paint. The newest primer at the time was bright orange in color and was supposed to fight rust so I bought it. I didn't know why I wanted to fight rust as it had already won the battle and had taken over the car, but let's get on with my point. After water sanding the entire car, making some body repairs and masking, on with the orange primer followed by the color. What no primer sanding? Nope, I never knew this was needed and what I had read made no mention of this. When I compounded the paint out, I had a dark British green car with thousands of tiny orange dots, oops!

My second car was a very nice 1949 Mercury sport coupe. This car was just as good a runner as it was good looking. The only mechanical problem I ever had was that one day it would not come out of overdrive. Not to worry it ran fine in overdrive and it was saving gas. I had no extra money for the repairs and everyone said not to worry so I didn't. Funny how I did not have to the money to repair the overdrive, but I had money to buy a 1949 Schultz house trailer, 30 feet long, so that I could spend weekends at the beach. Priorities may have been the trouble? Hey, I was a teenager, do you think today's problems are new? I had a hitch welded on the Mercury; the second summer was approaching since I bought the trailer. I kept the trailer at my friend's Don's house over the winter.

I was late one Friday getting it hooked up to the Mercury and I had not attached a running light. I wanted to get to the beach before dark. I was on the Garden State Parkway running at about 60 when the rear wheels of mercury locked up and the trailer kept pushing. I could hear the tire screeching then a loud metallic clang. The Mercury shuddered, we continued on but I never had overdrive again after that, and never did find the money to have it repaired, oops!

You would think as you got older the oop's would go away or at least diminish to microscopic deviations in your everyday life, but alas I don't think so. In the late



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50's I bought a 1955 Packard 400 hardtop. It was all there, not too much rust, but it` had a very poor paint job. I decided to paint it red and white. I had painted a number of cars since the 40 and actually worked Saturdays for a friend of mine who was a professional body and fender guy, so I had learned a few things.

Whenever you start to understand anything, and you feel comfortable that you can handle things oop's shows up. I did all the prep work correct primer, sanding, etc. Painted the roof white and then a few days later painted the fenders, hood, and trunk red. I did not mask the lower part of the car below the trim line which was to be white matching the roof so there was a little overspray. The next day I masked the red area and painted the white. The next morning, I had a red a

white, red, and pink car. The red overspray bled through the white. Some black primer cured this and I resprayed the white.

I have found that oop's are of two unrelated types. The most common ones are the ones we invite ourselves by not paying attention, rushing, not knowing what we're doing, or skipping the details. The other oop's happen less often, and there's probably nothing we can do to prevent them. They are caused by the weather, the dog, my granddaughters, or the government.

Here's a frightening fact, I actually read some articles I write and the last two paragraphs might just be oop's!



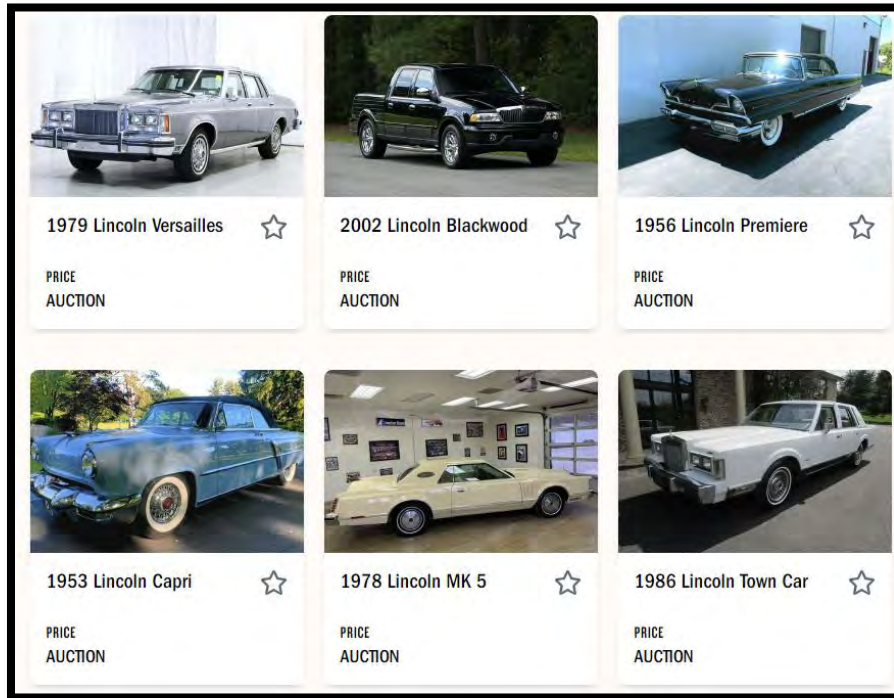
Central Pennsylvania Auto Auction's Annual Classic and Antique Sale

The Central Pennsylvania Auto Auction is a 65-acre auction facility that holds weekly dealer only auctions.

Once a year they have a classic and antique auction open to the public.

This year's classic auction is scheduled for July 18th, 19th, and 20th.

Currently there are six Lincolns listed for sale at this upcoming auction.



Details and inventory can be found at the link below:

<https://www.cpaautoauction.com/annual-antique-classic-auction>

41 Airstrip Dr, Mill Hall, PA 17751

800-248-8026

A link to the auction catalog is:

<https://static1.squarespace.com/static/6488c525279c650821c43898/t/66685890573f1344fb89f77f/1718114453000/2024+Classic+Sale+Catalog+Web.pdf>



Peddler's Village: LCOC & Cadillac LaSalle Club Annual Fall Meet

Pre-registration for the CLC/Phila LCOC Annual Fall Show closes on Friday, September 20, 2024.

Valley Forge Region, Cadillac & LaSalle Club Annual Fall Meet

Peddler's Village Behind Bank Of America Parking Lot
167 Crousel Lane, Lahaska, PA 18931

Co-Hosted with The Lincoln & Continental Owners Club (LCOC)
Philadelphia Region

DATE: Sunday, September 29, 2024, 9AM—3PM. Awards at 2:30PM
Rain Date: Saturday October 19th.
Pre-registration MUST be received by Friday, September 20, 2024.

Open To All Years, Makes, and Models
Over 110 Cars participated last year!
Top 30 High Scores, Best Lincoln, Best Cadillac, Best of Show (any make)

For maps, directions, and a GPS address, see <http://www.peddlersvillage.com/directions>
Pre-registration fee \$20; day-of-show registration \$25. Please make all checks payable to **VFR-CLC**. Payment by check is preferable for record-keeping purposes. Show field opens at 9:00 AM.

VFR-CLC/Phila LCOC Annual Fall Show - Sunday, Sept. 29, 2024; Rain Date Sat Oct. 19

Name: _____ Phone: _____
Address: _____ E-mail: _____
Club membership: _____

Pre-registration closes Friday, September 20th 2024

Vehicle 1: Make: _____ Year: _____ Model: _____ Body style: _____
Vehicle 2: Make: _____ Year: _____ Model: _____ Body style: _____

Trailer parking? Yes No
CLC Emeritus? Yes No

Trailer parking? Yes No
CLC Emeritus? Yes No

Total remittance \$ _____

Mail registration form and payment to:
John Wood
327 Bellevue Avenue 267 939 5925
Penn del PA 19047 renopa@verizon.net



2024 LCOC Eastern National Meet

“Tony Russo Memorial Meet”

The 2024 LCOC Eastern National Meet, the “Tony Russo Memorial Meet” will be held at the Classic Auto Mall in Morgantown, PA. Details are still being prepared. For information regarding this event please visit the LCOC Events page: [2024 Eastern National Meet - Lincoln & Continental Owners Club \(lcoc.org\)](https://www.lcoc.org)

Save the Date
LCOC 2024 ENM
MORGANTOWN, PA
OCTOBER 23–27, 2024
Details coming soon...



Tony Russo Memorial Meet



2025 LCOC National

You won't want to miss the
2025 LCOC National Meet
CINCINNATI, OHIO
 Save these dates NOW
JUNE 18 to JUNE 22, 2025
 Hosted by Southern Ohio Region
Held to celebrate our 40th Anniversary – 1985 to 2025










Southern Ohio Region to host the 2025 LCOC National Meet

Your Board of Directors of the Southern Ohio Region is honored to announce that our region will host the 2025 LCOC National from June 18 to June 22, 2025 in Cincinnati. Our host hotel will be the Marriott Cincinnati Northeast.

We have almost all events planned and just need to lock in the excursions around the area. We have met with Ben Huffman of the Warren County Convention and Visitors Bureau. Ben was elated that we are planning so far ahead.

Please, mark your calendar and consider volunteering for this first rate event. *Your Board promises it will be a meet you will not want to miss.*



2025 meet committee: Tony Blaine, Michelle Blaine, Ryan Beatrice, Tim Wilson, Ted Hilton and Kim Hilton. Paul Temple was unable to attend.



At the Auction”

Recent sales of Lincolns at auction.

Date	Auction	Lot	Year	Make & Model	Hammer Price
March 5-9 2024	Mecum Glendale	S200.1	1970	Continental MK III	\$34,100
March 5-9 2024	Mecum Glendale	F222	2024	Mark X Prototype Convertible	\$110,000
March 5-9 2024	Mecum Glendale	F219	1940	Continental Cabriolet	\$51,700
March 5-9 2024	Mecum Glendale	F218	1972	Mark IV	\$49,500
March 5-9 2024	Mecum Glendale	F165	1979	Mark V Collectors Series	Not Listed
March 5-9 2024	Mecum Glendale	W108	1978	Mark V Cartier	\$16,500
March 5-9 2024	Mecum Glendale	T62	1948	Continental	\$33,000
March 5-9 2024	Mecum Glendale	S43.1	1966	Continental Convertible Custom	\$134,750
March 5-9 2024	Mecum Glendale	S38	1939	Zephyr Custom	\$89,000
March 5-9 2024	Mecum Glendale	F28	1957	Premiere Convertible	\$29,700
March 5-9 2024	Mecum Glendale	G190	1977	Town Coupe	\$13,200
March 5-9 2024	Mecum Glendale	G144	1962	Continental Convertible Custom	Not Listed
March 5-9 2024	Mecum Glendale	G120	1982	Mark VI Bill Blass	\$12,100
March 5-9 2024	Mecum Glendale	G62	1979	Mark V Collector Series	\$ 5,500
April 4-6 2024	Mecum Houston	S171	1964	Continental Convertible Custom	\$110,000
April 4-6 2024	Mecum Houston	S141	1958	Continental	\$22,000



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April 4-6 2024	Mecum Houston	F175	1921	Model L Phaeton	\$28,600
April 4-6 2024	Mecum Houston	T270	1959	Mark IV Limousine	\$14,300
April 4-6 2024	Mecum Houston	T146	1973	Mark IV	\$8,800
April 4-6 2024	Mecum Houston	S311	1961	Continental Sedan Custom	Not Listed
April 4-6 2024	Mecum Houston	S90	1993	Mark VIII Custom Pickup	\$2,750
April 4-6 2024	Mecum Houston	S87	1962	Continental Convertible	\$39,600
April 4-6 2024	Mecum Houston	S86	1962	Continental Coupe	\$24,200
April 4-6 2024	Mecum Houston	F339	1976	Mark IV Lipstick	Not Listed
April 4-6 2024	Mecum Houston	F320.1	1979	Mark V	Not Listed
April 18-20 2024	Barret Jackson Palm Beach	43.1	1973	Mark V	\$17,050
April 18-20 2024	Barret Jackson Palm Beach	439	2019	Continental 80 th Anniversary Coach Door Edition	\$ 86,900
April 18-20 2024	Barret Jackson Palm Beach	639	1979	Continental Collector Series Sedan	\$ 33,000

*Sale price includes buyer commission.

----- **The Mecum Auto Auction is on Saturday, July 27, 2024, the Philadelphia region LCOC will attend as a group if you would like to come, please call Carl Villone. We will have a reduced price for admission, and if you wish to get a bidders pass, that will also be half price.**



Philadelphia Region Golf Shirts

For anyone who would like a Philadelphia Region LCOC embroidered golf shirt, we have limited sizes left. They are \$40 each and can be reserved in advance by emailing james.e.cappello@comcast.net Payment can be done at the banquet. The sizes available are Medium - Blue (Only 1 Left) Large - Blue - (Only 3 Left) XL - Blue (Only 5 Left) 2XL - Black (Only 4 Left) 3XL - Black (Only 4 Left) Orders will be reserved and confirmed. Get 'em while you can!



Membership Application and Data Sheet

Philadelphia Region Lincoln and Continental Owners Club

Date: _____

Name: _____ Spouse: _____

Street: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Mobile _____

Car(s) Owned

Year: _____ Make & Model: _____

Year _____ Make & Model: _____

Year: _____ Make & Model: _____

(If you have more vehicles, please list them on a separate page)

I am a member of the LCOC National: signature _____

Lincoln & Continental Owners Club Member Number: _____

You must be a member of the National Lincoln & Continental Owners Club in order to join the Philadelphia Region. If you are not a member, please log in to www.LCOC.org and follow membership application instructions. Please return this application form with a check made payable to the Philadelphia Region LCOC and mail both to the Club Treasurer, James Cappello (see below) address at bottom of page.

You can order the Custom Designed Lincoln Fender Cover shown in the Classified Section of this newsletter for only **\$25** plus S&H. Your membership includes a subscription to the Continental Star and you will also receive announcements of shows, tours and other club events.

Annual Dues Amount	\$25.00	James Cappello
Lincoln Fender Cover	\$25.00	710 Kathy Dianne Drive
Shipping & Handling	\$10.00 (pick up free)	Indian Land, SC 29707
Total Enclosed	\$ _____	Phone: 215-718-6661



Carlisle All Ford Nationals – 2024 Meet

The love for Carlisle started by word of mouth about a large car show in Pennsylvania. I was visiting my son in York, PA and thought I would check it out since I was in the neighborhood. It was the Chrysler show and as a Mopar performance enthusiast, I was curious as to what would be there. I was not disappointed. I thoroughly enjoyed the outing and the venue.

One year later, in 2009, I became a Lincoln owner of a 1970 Mark III and decided to take my family for an outing to the Ford Nationals. I paid to park on the show field just for the convenience of being in the mix and I wasn't even thinking of competing.

We were there for about two hours. I returned from the sale section, as a friend had a booth to sell parts. Upon my return to the car, my wife said, I think you won something! My youngest son was running around with a blue cap on his head that read Celebrity Judge. A yellow paper was on my windshield that said, Celebrity Pick Award by Mr. Paul Freda, Regional Sales Manager, Ford Power stroke Diesel. Initially, I was in denial. I thought someone was playing a joke. But I was the only MARK III there and she had a new paint job, only a month old.

On an impulse, I scrambled to find a hotel and found a local Walmart to get the family the essentials to spend the night to return back to the field on Sunday to confirm if I had won anything. To my surprise, I won a Celebrity Pick and Second Place award!! Two awards first time out!!!

2009 - 1970 MARK III -Celebrity Pick and 2nd Place Lincoln Division
2015 - 1988 Lincoln Town Car – 2nd Place
2017 - 1970 MARK III -2nd Place
2019 - 1974 Lincoln MARK IV – 2nd Place
2024 - The Best Award yet! My wife's 1989 Convertible MARK VII – 1st Place!

Winning this year, in 2024 is VERY special to us! It is the 40-year Celebration of the Lincoln MARK VII. Also, this honor is in remembrance to my dear friend, who I met in Carlisle, who passed away 2 years ago, Mr. John Dancy; former Founder & President of the Mark VII club, former owner of the legendary PINKIN, LCOC, Philadelphia Chapter member. John was the ultimate MARK VII historian!! He was also my mentor- who encouraged me and supported me in starting Continental Cruisers. He is truly missed.

Carlisle is our special place to make memories with friends, club members and strangers. Never a dull moment!! Always, good times!!!!

Ivan "VICE" Read lvankread@gmail.com





A Re-Cap of the All Ford Nationals, courtesy of Carlisle Events:

Carlisle Ford Nationals 2024: Sets New Record with 3,572 Show Cars

A successful event requires many pieces to truly be a success and for 2024, every piece of the Carlisle Ford Nationals puzzle came together perfectly to showcase the largest car show ever held at the Carlisle PA Fairgrounds. For three amazing days, May 31-June 2, over 3,500 cars sat front and center with more than 60,000 guests looking on. In the end, **this final total of 3,572 made this year's Ford offering the biggest car show ever at Carlisle**, topping the 2022 mark, also set by the Carlisle Ford Nationals.

Gates opened at 7 AM on Friday, May 31st, but in truth, with sunny skies and temps in the 70s for nearly a week, cars, vendors, and spectators were milling around the grounds on Thursday, May 30. That early bird crowd set the table perfectly for a multi-day event that was filled with stage walkarounds, unveilings, special guests, track activities, and parades, including the Ford Downtown Parade, Park, and Paty Saturday night, and more.

While 2024 is a wrap, plans are underway for 2025. Save the dates, because the Carlisle Ford Nationals return June 6-8 and will feature a Ford GT Anniversary Reunion, Shelby GT350 60th Anniversary, a Motorsport Capri Reunion, the 70th Anniversary of the Thunderbird, the Galaxie Nationals make Carlisle their home in 2025, and there's a planned national meet as part of a returning SVO Reunion. Learn more about the continuation of the Carlisle Events 50th Anniversary season and make your plans at CarlisleEvents.com.





Your editor enjoys some quality time with a Ford GT at the
All Ford Nationals at Carlisle

