

## *Pride and Joy*



Driving Miss Mary Todd, as told by Jim Boylan

*Welcome to the Northstar News, the monthly publication of the Northstar Region of the Lincoln and Continental Owners Club. We value your opinions and appreciate your input concerning this newsletter and the operation of the club. This is your club.*

We begin about a year ago when the love of my life Ruth and I started to look for a second collector car. The 1986 Fiero, with a transplanted 3800 Supercharged Buick engine and trans-axle, had been our 'Primary collector' for the last two years. We enjoyed the car shows locally and met some fine people and made several new friends, but the Fiero was a little tight and we longed to have a pre WW II touring car of some sort. The plan was to take the proceeds of two other cars that I had acquired, and use that to purchase something in the 20's to 40's range, perhaps a fixer upper. The beginning of July found us with an unexpected monetary surprise that allowed me to begin searching in earnest.

I first spotted her on e-bay, a 1941 Lincoln Continental Coupe. The auction was closing later that day and the high bid had not reached the reserve. I bid the maximum that Ruth and I had set for us, knowing that this car was probably out of our league. I was then the high bidder but the reserve remained unmet, no telling how high it was. I looked to see the outcome when the auction ended, only to find that I was the high bidder and no one won the car. Disappointment reigned supreme! Pictures of her looked so good. Throughout the next day I would think of the car and wonder what the owner was asking. I revisited the old web page and noticed that the car was being offered by a broker, Texas Classic

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Articles and other information for the newsletter should be sent to David Gustafson, Editor, at 308 Brandywine Drive, Burnsville, MN 55337.

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Cars of Dallas. It was Sunday and I decided to give them a call first thing in the morning, after all I was their high bidder and deserved to know if I was in the ballpark.

Maris Garrett one of the co-owners told me my high bid was well below the reserve, but when I told her what my maximum bid was she offered to call the owner with my offer. Four long hours later she called back to say the owner wanted another \$1500. I talked it over with Ruth and she agreed that we should not pass up this opportunity. Tuesday found me wiring the \$1500 as a down payment, arranging a wire transfer for the remainder and booking a one way ticket to Dallas for the next day. Wednesday found me on a South West flight with a carry-on bag and \$300 in spending money for the trip.



Jim and Ruth Boylan have a few other very interesting cars in their garage. It's always better to have too many, than too few.

As the plane left the ground I began to go over in my mind the things I must do before attempting a long cross country with a 70 year old automobile. Being a private pilot most of my life I was use to flying older aircraft. A good ground check is always mandatory, so I got out a piece of paper and started to compile a check list. I started by listing the major systems, Fuel, Electrical, Transmission and Rear End, Engine,

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## Trivia from the Internet



## History of Veterans

### Tomb of the Unknowns

**Official, national ceremonies for Veterans Day center around the Tomb of the Unknowns. To honor these men, symbolic of all Americans who gave their lives in all wars, an Army honor guard, the 3d U.S. Infantry (The Old Guard), keeps day and night vigil. At 11 a.m. on November 11, a combined color guard representing all military services executes "Present Arms" at the tomb. The laying of a presidential wreath and the playing of "Taps" symbolize the nation's tribute to its war dead.**

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## Editors Message

November 2011

It seems like it's been just a blink of the eye, and we have passed from April to November. Marion and I do hope that fall continues a bit longer, perhaps through March or April. Faithie doesn't seem to mind winter too much, but she is better equipped to deal with it than the rest of us. And she has a shorter distance to fall if the walk is icy. We have had various reports on what the winter will be. Some say lots of snow, others say more cold. I guess that we will just have to wait and see.

I have had the Cosmo out a few times this past week, and enjoyed it very much. Now that the weather is a bit cooler (in the high 50's and low 60's) the cars seem to really drive and perform their very best. The Lincoln is such an oddity in this part of the country, that a lot of folks in their 40's and younger and not quite sure what it is. Lincoln is only displayed on the rear bumper, and really not that predominately. Cosmopolitan (in script) is on each front fender, but most do not associate that model with Lincoln. A few even think that it might be a Mercury due to the opposite opening doors and a few other styling cues. One wonders, if in fifty or sixty years, people will look at a 2011 Fusion, Taurus or MKZ and view them in the same light as we view our own collector cars. Time will tell. And if you have a hybrid Fusion or MKZ, will you be able to get a battery pack for them at

your local Batteries Plus store?

We hope to see many of you at our Potluck Picnic on October 30th out at Morries in Long Lake. And of course, don't forget the brunch at Al Baker's in

Eagan next month. More information on this event on the back page.

By the way, if you have a new older Lincoln or even a new one, tell us about it. We have a couple of stories "in the bank", but we can always use a few more. Impressions of new Lincolns are good too. Technically speaking, Lincoln produces a pretty advanced vehicle.

They have all the features that the most expensive foreign cars do at about half the price. Do try to stop by and drive one of the new Ford products soon. They are just darn good cars.

November 11th is Veterans Day. Take some time to reflect on just what that means to all of us here in the United States. Many of those who are the "younger generation" don't fully appreciate the great sacrifices that so very many in uniform made to protect the rest of us. Let us not forget them now and in the years ahead. Veterans truly deserve the very best.

Till next month, David, Marion and Sweet Faithie, the Samoyed.



Sweet Faithie is looking over at a VFW Buddy Poppy. Be sure when asked by a Veteran to donate to the VFW, you thank him for his service to his country and be generous with your contribution.



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*World War I - known at the time as "The Great War" - officially ended when the Treaty of Versailles was signed on June 28, 1919, in the Palace of Versailles outside the town of Versailles, France. However, fighting ceased seven months earlier when an armistice, or temporary cessation of hostilities, between the Allied nations and Germany went into effect on the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month. For that reason, November 11, 1918, is generally regarded as the end of "the war to end all wars."*

*In November 1919, President Wilson proclaimed November 11 as the first commemoration of Armistice Day with the following words: "To us in America, the reflections of Armistice Day will be filled with solemn pride in the heroism of those who died in the country's service and with gratitude for the victory, both because of the thing from which it has freed us and be-*

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## *Directors Message by Bob Johnson November 2011*



Where has the year gone? Now we will have to seriously start planning for 2012 region activities, and get tasks completed for our Mid America National Meet in Bloomington, MN, August 15-19, 2012. This past week we made a major change in our planned Friday activity for our National Meet. We now will do a sightseeing bus tour, featuring the *St Paul Gangster Tour* of the 1920s and 1930s Gangster-Era in St Paul, instead of going to the St Paul, Science Museum. The Gangster tour is so unique to St Paul and Minnesota that it was determined as a must do event.

This will take visitors on a odyssey back over 80 years to the days when St Paul was considered the citadel of American crime during prohibition. Tour includes a Historic Cave Tour, where you will hear about the legends of mobster massacres and ghostly lore in the most unique setting from Chicago to San Francisco. The tour will include lunch at one of the great historic restaurants, a current night club called the Wabasha Street Caves. The former 1930's Castle Royal, was Saint Paul's most infamous bar. It has been transformed over the years from a mushroom cave, to a speak-easy, during the 1930's that had a history you will be able to enjoy during lunch and subsequent tour.

What a beautiful day we had on Sunday, October 9<sup>th</sup>, for our Taylors Falls Scenic Boat Tour, on the St Croix River. Thirty-eight people attended and enjoyed the magnificent weather, which was one of the finest days of the year. It just couldn't have been better. The previous Friday we had 50 MPH winds that blew many of the colorful leaves down, but we still had color, you just had to look a little harder for it. Long time friend, Mike Kelly, who has been doing this since 1981, when the paddle wheeler was built, captained the Taylors Falls Queen. Mike added special information about the St Croix River that made the boat ride even more enjoyable. Our on board luncheon, featuring a nice chicken dinner, was even better than expected.

Our annual Region pot luck picnic and auction, was held at Morries, on Sunday, October 30<sup>th</sup>. More about Morries will be in December newsletter, hope you were able to attend.

Sunday, November 13, will be our year end Sunday brunch, at Al Bakers, 3434 Washington Ave, Eagan, at 1130 AM. Most of you have been there before, great food, good service and reasonable prices. You just can't beat Al Bakers, and that's why we go back year after year. We will have our private room as before, so it will be easy to spend some time visiting with your friends at our last Northstar event of the year. Please RSVP to Bob Johnson by November 10<sup>th</sup>, by calling 651-257-1715 or email [arborbob41@aol.com](mailto:arborbob41@aol.com). We should be able to accommodate over 60 people.

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cause of the opportunity it has given America to show her sympathy with peace and justice in the councils of the nations..."

*The original concept for the celebration was for a day observed with parades and public meetings and a brief suspension of business beginning at 11:00 a.m. The United States Congress officially recognized the end of World War I when it passed a concurrent resolution on June 4, 1926, with these words:*

*Whereas the 11th of November 1918, marked the cessation of the most destructive, sanguinary, and far reaching war in human annals and the resumption by the people of the United States of peaceful relations with other nations, which we hope may never again be severed, and*

*Whereas it is fitting that the recurring anniversary of this date should be com-*

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## *October Northstar Board Meeting*

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

October 6, 2011

Regional Director Bob Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM at Culver's in Maplewood. Board members present were Bob Johnson, Harvey Oberg, Tom Brace Dave Gustafson and Roger Wothe. Other members present were Brian Carlson, Mary Johnson and Faye Oberg. The minutes of the previous meeting and the agenda of this meeting were approved.

### DIRECTOR'S REPORTS

Regional Director Bob Johnson reported that there were thirty-eight people signed up for the St. Croix Boat Cruise and Lunch for Sunday, October 9, with three people from the UMR-CCCA attending. He reminded the Board of the Annual Region Pot Luck Picnic and Auction at Morries facility in Long Lake on Sunday 30 October. The museum will be open only from 10:00 AM until noon. It will not be open in the afternoon. Lunch will be served about 12:30 with an auction to follow. A clean-up crew will be greatly appreciated. Please RSVP to Roger Wothe at his home at 952-473-3038 or email to [rwothe@mchsi.com](mailto:rwothe@mchsi.com) by Monday, October 24, if you plan on attending. Please let Roger know what you plan on bringing to share.

Secretary Roger Wothe reported that he had received only two nominations, Bob Johnson and Bob Roth, to fill the vacancies on the Board for 2012. Tom Brace moved that the Board elect the two by a white ballot. Dave Gustafson seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Bob Johnson would still like to add two additional members to the Board.

Treasurer Harvey Oberg reported the treasury balance to be \$2,904.84 with all bills paid.

Membership and Publications Director Dave Gustafson continues to need "My Pride and Joy" articles for the newsletter.

Projects: Bob Johnson will be ordering some LCOC logo door mats. See him for details.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM. The next meeting will be Thursday, November 3, at 7:00 PM at Culvers in Maplewood.

Respectfully submitted by Secretary Roger Wothe.

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*memorated with thanksgiving and prayer and exercises designed to perpetuate peace through good will and mutual understanding between nations; and*

*Whereas the legislatures of twenty-seven of our States have already declared November 11 to be a legal holiday: Therefore be it Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), that the President of the United States is requested to issue a proclamation calling upon the officials to display the flag of the United States on all Government buildings on November 11 and inviting the people of the United States to observe the day in schools and churches, or other suitable places, with appropriate ceremonies of friendly relations with all other peoples.*

*An Act (52 Stat. 351; 5 U. S. Code, Sec. 87a) approved May 13, 1938, made the 11th of November in each year a legal holi-*

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Body and Suspension and Instruments. Then I created sub-headings for each of them, Fuel for example, Fuel Tank, Lines, Pump etc. I was going through my list for a third time when the wheels touched down at Love Field in Dallas.

I called Maris and she arranged to pick me up at the airport. Texas Classic Cars was only four blocks away and I was in the shop watching the Lincoln Coupe being hoisted up at 10:00 AM. I started at the rear of the car and worked my way forward. I was impressed by the fact that the underside of the car was as clean as the top side. The first problem I noticed was a pinched spot in the rear hardline for the left rear wheel. The mechanic that was assisting me thought it may be from a chain used over the axle to hold it on a trailer. I remembered an old trick we used to cure a leaking wheel cylinder by pinching the brake line to stop the leak, also resulting in 3 wheel brakes!

We pulled the wheel and brake drum to expose the brake shoes and slave cylinder. I watched the shoes as the Mechanic pushed the brake pedal and they moved normally. This also gave me a look at the amount of wear on the shoes that appeared to be about half worn. I continued to work my way forward on the underside, looking for leaks or any other signs of trouble. I inspected the tire tread on each tire making a mark on the tire and rotating it until the mark was back at the start. I checked the fluid level in the rear end and transmission and stuck my finger in to capture some of the grease

on my finger to feel for grittiness and look at it under a light for sparkles of metal, none found. The only tool I had brought from home was a small magnet. I used this on any surface that I suspected rust had been replaced with Bondo, none found, the magnet stuck everywhere I put it! The top side proved to be even better. The interior was in great shape and only a few small stains on the head liner. All the lights and gauges functioned normally and I was pleased to find working turn signals (non-self-canceling). We ran the engine and I used a three foot piece of gas line like a stethoscope to listen for vacuum leaks and engine noises everything checked out. The only failure was the trunk, NO TIRE TOOLS!

I returned to the office to finish the wire transfer while Maris sent one of her boys to the local Pep Boys. He returned with a star wrench and a screw scissors jack. We then took the hood holding rod and ground a flat on each side of one end to make a tool to remove hubcaps. I had them add a little extra air to the tires- this would result in the old bias ply tires running cooler on the road. By the time the wire transfer came through it was four in the afternoon and I wanted to get going. I waved good-bye to Maris and her crew and headed for the gas station. I filled her up, set the trip odometer and hit the road.

I pulled onto 35 headed north. I stayed in the right hand lane in case of a problem I would exit as soon as I could. I wound her up to 50 and let her shift into overdrive. How smooth,

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*day—a day to be dedicated to the cause of world peace and to be thereafter celebrated and known as "Armistice Day." Armistice Day was primarily a day set aside to honor veterans of World War I, but in 1954, after World War II had required the greatest mobilization of soldiers, sailors, Marines and airmen in the Nation's history; after American forces had fought aggression in Korea, the 83rd Congress, at the urging of the veterans service organizations, amended the Act of 1938 by striking out the word "Armistice" and inserting in its place the word "Veterans." With the approval of this legislation (Public Law 380) on June 1, 1954, November 11th became a day to honor American veterans of all wars.*

*Later that same year, on October 8th, President Dwight D. Eisenhower issued the first "Veterans Day Proclamation" which stated: "In order to insure proper and widespread observance of this anniversary, all veterans,*

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## *More Pride and Joy*

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I could hardly hear the V12 running. I had opened the windows and the cowl vent at the station and as I went past a bank the sign said 104! It was HOT and rush hour traffic was no different in Dallas than anywhere else, stop and start. I began to be concerned about engine temperature. The gauge had the word 'TEMP' printed on the back plate and the needle had been running between the E and the M, but now was between the M and the P. There had been ¼ tank of gas indicated when I filled so I elected to start to look for gas when it got down to ¼ tank again. This turned out to be about 250 miles and about the same capacity as my bladder.

I continued North, as the traffic thinned and speeds increased I found that 65 was giving me the least vibration in the rear view mirror and the temp gauge settled on M. The first pit stop, still in Texas, I added about ½ gal of coolant to the radiator and filled the tank. It was 105 out when I started her up and headed for the on ramp. About half way up in second gear, I experienced something I hadn't in 50 years, VAPOR-LOCK! One of the previous owners had installed an electric fuel pump at the tank and a few seconds of holding down the toggle brought her back to consciousness. I would be thankful for that after-market accessory several times on the trip as the temp outside never got below 100 until I was half way through Iowa, it dropped to 98.

I spent the first night in Blackwell OK. A wonderful example of the small arm-pit towns dotting the Oklahoma countryside, in a \$55/night mo-

tel run by a gentleman that new little or no English, but in spite of his directions I found the ice machine. I consumed my gourmet dinner of a Big Mac and fries, prepared by the local chef across the street, Cordon Bleu graduate I'm sure.

I was back on the road at 7 AM and crossed into Kansas. As I drove on I could not imagine why anyone would want "to be in Kansas anymore", nothing there folks just a lot of grass and the occasional clump of 3 trees and a dry creek bed. I drove out the first tank of gas and stopped for breakfast. The rest of the trip was uneventful. I did push her once to 330 miles due to a lack of gas stations. There are more toll booths in Kansas than gas stations. I stopped just to top off fluids and draining some. There was the blow-out 40 miles south of Mason City, later found due to a folded inner tube, Thank You Pep Boys. The spare still had the label on it, and remained on the car for the remainder of the trip. I will be replacing the screw jack for one of hydraulic capabilities.

I arrived in my driveway at 10:10 on Thursday evening. 1035 miles at 65 Mph, 17 Mpg, 1Qt oil, 2 Gal coolant. An adventure of the highest caliber, and I know now if I take good care of Mary Todd she will be reliable.

In her first month, she has become one of the Family. She took a "Best of Show" at the Montgomery car show from the North Star chapter of the LCOC, but best of all she transports Ruth and I in style and class!

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*all veterans' organizations, and the entire citizenry will wish to join hands in the common purpose. Toward this end, I am designating the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs as Chairman of a Veterans Day National Committee, which shall include such other persons as the Chairman may select, and which will coordinate at the national level necessary planning for the observance. I am also requesting the heads of all departments and agencies of the Executive branch of the Government to assist the National Committee in every way possible."*

*On that same day, President Eisenhower sent a letter to the Honorable Harvey V. Higley, Administrator of Veterans' Affairs (VA), designating him as Chairman of the Veterans Day National Committee.*

*In 1958, the White House advised VA's General Counsel that the 1954 designation of the VA Administrator as Chairman of the Veterans Day National*

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## More Directors Message

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Again putting on my LCOC national hat as Membership Chairman, the club needs your help. With the holiday season coming up fast, please think about giving a LCOC membership to a family member or friend. This is one way to get LCOC new members and foster interest in Lincoln's and the old car hobby. Lincolns are just the start to the fellowship, friendship and fun you can have while in our national club. We give each new LCOC member a free year in the North Star region. We feel the region has many activities that a new Lincoln enthusiast would enjoy. We need to recruit more new members to keep the Club at our current level of 3,000. Another way is to get our young family members involved by giving a **Youth Memberships**, as they are only \$21, if the prospective member is under 24 years old.

**Dave still needs "MY PRIDE and JOY ARTICLES"**. We want to feature your Lincoln, but first you have to write the article, if you need help, Dave Gustafson will help you in any way possible.

As customary, there will be no December event. We want you to be able to spend time with your friends, family and loved ones. Our January activity will be listed in the December newsletter. If you have a place that would be of interest for us to go to, please notify one of our North Star Board members.

As always, keep the journey continuing in our marvelous Lincolns.

## Cruising the St. Croix

Bob Johnson, reporting....

What a beautiful day, on Sunday, October 9<sup>th</sup>, for our Taylors Falls scenic boat tour, on the St Croix River, We had 38 people attend and enjoy the magnificent weather, can't say enough about the weather. We could not have ordered a better day. The previous Friday we had 50 MPH winds that blew many of the colorful leaves down, but we still had color, you just had to look harder for it.

The St. Croix river is really at it's very best in the fall. The seasonal colors were still quite vibrant, with a great view in every direction. We are very lucky to live in this part of the country, with our ever changing landscapes. Although, in the middle of January, in the snow and cold, we just can't wait for it to change to a bit nicer weather. I guess, that we just have to think back to those very special fall days, when everything seems just right.

The Taylors Falls Queen was captained by long time friend Mike Kelly who has been doing this since 1981, when the paddle wheeler was built. Mike added special information about the St Croix River that made the boat ride even more enjoyable. Midway through the cruise, Mike Kelly's crew served lunch, a nice chicken dinner, which made a good trip even better.

Member Bob Roth remarked that this was a great way to spend the day and asked if we could do more of these types of activities. Please let me know if you have a event or activity that would be fun for us to go on,

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Committee applied to all subsequent VA Administrators. Since March 1989 when VA was elevated to a cabinet level department, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs has served as the committee's chairman.

The Uniform Holiday Bill (Public Law 90-363 (82 Stat. 250)) was signed on June 28, 1968, and was intended to ensure three-day weekends for Federal employees by celebrating four national holidays on Mondays: Washington's Birthday, Memorial Day, Veterans Day, and Columbus Day. It was thought that these extended weekends would encourage travel, recreational and cultural activities and stimulate greater industrial and commercial production. Many states did not agree with this decision and continued to celebrate the holidays on their original dates.

The first Veterans Day under the new law was observed with much confusion on October 25, 1971. It was quite apparent that the commemoration of this day was a

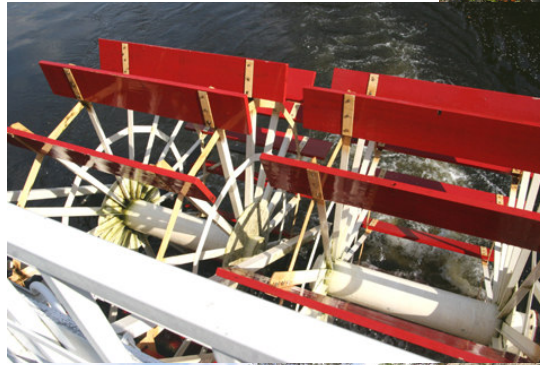
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rather than our traditional Sunday Brunches.

Member Jay White, who is traveling in China, till the end of October, stopped at our house earlier this summer after being on this same boat trip with the Mini T-Birds car club and asked



how come we haven't made this a region event? I want to thank Jay for reminding me about this boat trip, which is less than four miles from our home.



We are blessed here in the St Croix River Valley with many things that we can see or do, so in the future we will try and schedule more activities in this area. Osceola, Wisconsin, has an Old Time Train ride that I will look into for 2012

Our season ender is our November brunch at Al Baker's in Eagan, MN. It is a great place to eat, many of you have been there in years past. Let's get together at Al Baker's and talk about what will happen in 2012. It should be a lot of fun!





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matter of historic and patriotic significance to a great number of our citizens, and so on September 20th, 1975, President Gerald R. Ford signed Public Law 94-97 (89 Stat. 479), which returned the annual observance of Veterans Day to its original date of November 11, beginning in 1978. This action supported the desires of the overwhelming majority of state legislatures, all major veterans service organizations and the American people.

Veterans Day continues to be observed on November 11, regardless of what day of the week on which it falls. The restoration of the observance of Veterans Day to November 11 not only preserves the historical significance of the date, but helps focus attention on the important purpose of Veterans Day: A celebration to honor America's veterans for their patriotism, love of country, and willingness to serve and sacrifice for the common good.

From the internet....

## *A Lincoln in Sheep's Clothes?*

We've come to expect varying levels of insanity from eBay Motors. The site is like a magnet for the one-off, the strange and the bizarre, which is part of why we love it. This machine is no different. Based on an unspecified 1974 Lincoln, the vehicle has received a full cosmetic makeover in the image of a Bugatti. Which Bugatti? The owner isn't saying, but there's no mistaking what lurks behind that big hoop grille as a French creation.



Now, we typically cringe at the over-application of fiberglass in any custom vehicle, which is part of what makes this Bugatti /Lincoln hybrid unique. The owner says that each body panel is crafted from aluminum, meaning that there are no seams, cracks, or, for that matter, rust. While not to our tastes, this creative rebody seems to have been done to a significantly higher standard than most of these sorts of misadventures. Either way, it isn't immediately clear if this is a one-off, or if someone built a small run of these things.

Inside, the interior has been given the mohair treatment along with a set of "European gauges." The castrated 460-cubic-inch V8 from the Lincoln is still tucked behind the headlights, but the engine is now concealed by a butterfly hood which should make working on the lump even more difficult than before. Wonders never cease.

With the Lincoln chassis and engine, it would make for a pretty reliable ride. However, heaven help you if you damaged one of the aluminum panels. Not like you could out to French Lake and find another one. But, it still might fun to own.

From the internet....

## *For Sale 1968 T-Bird*



**I need a new home! I am a 1968 Thunderbird, four door Landau, fully loaded with all the good stuff that was offered in 1968.** I have a new A/C compressor, converted to R134A refrigerant, and I now blow nice cold air. I have had three owners and my history is available. I have but traveled by 77,000 miles and most folks say that I am in mint condition. You can have me for around \$8,500 or a good offer close to that. To take me home, Call North Star Member Don Peterson at 507-454-3010, 507-429-0476 or 507-454-5231, Winona, MN email: dop@mwsco.com

## *You May Be Interested in these Items for Sale*

For Sale:

**1989 Lincoln Town Car**, Black exterior, Grey Leather interior, 60,100 miles. One owner, Excellent Condition, 5.0 V8 Engine, Automatic Overdrive Transmission. Michelin Tires, Power Glass Moon Roof, Dual Power Heater Mirrors. Keyless Entry, Power Everything, Listed new for \$32,938, Asking \$5,695.00 Del at 608.837.5990 **Great car with a Great price**

For Sale:

**Windy Hill Auto Parts** at New London, MN recently took in 4 1956 Lincolns; 3 2dr Hardtops and a 4 dr with factory A/C. One 2 dr hardtop runs, drives, and has add on A/C and they want \$3000 for that one. The other 3 will be parted out. The cars came from Iowa. They also recently took in a dark blue 1979 Town Car Collector's Series that runs and drives. Also a 1977 Town Car. Windy Hill's phone number is 320-354-2201, open 7days a week, 8-5. (Info from Francis Kalvoda)

For Sale:

**1948 Continental Coupe**. Has had a complete engine rebuild 400 miles ago by Adelman engines.. New brakes, battery, chrome has been re-plated, new dark green paint, new tires, good working overdrive. Needs upholstery. **Reduced to \$16,000**. Call Ted Anderson, 763.561.8143.

For Sale:

**1981 Mark VI Signature Series**. White, moon roof, padded trunk lid, lots of extras. All interior features work. Red cloth interior. Mileage on high side, 161,700. Started recently after long term storage. Call Karl Westenfield (C) 763-229-2183

For Sale:

**1956 Lincoln** Pink Pearl **Premiere** 2 dr HT. \$27000. **1956 White Pearl Lincoln Continental Mark II**, \$25000. **1956 Lincoln Convertible** with parts car, \$20000. Jack Simler, 320-834-4784.

For Sale:

**1971 Continental Mark III**, white, blue leather interior, clean car. \$2,500obo.  
**1975 Continental**, four door, yellow with gold-white leather interior. \$2,500 obo Nice original condition. Call Rodney at 701-252-2222 or 252-4149.

For Sale:

I need a new home. I am a **1969 MK III** with only 103,000 miles and I am green with a like new green interior. Front windows need some work. Call Rich at 715.321.1938 Best offer will own me.

For Sale:

**1980 Mark VI Givenchy Coupe**, New FoMoCo 302 V8 has 40,000 miles; car needs a little TLC, \$2500/offer. 320-429-0139

For Sale:

**1979 Mark V**. Car is very nice, 78,000 miles. No rust and has been very well maintained over the years. Has all the usual Mark V options. I really want to sell this fine car. \$3,900 or best offer. Please call Walter Ranua at 763.458.6053.

## *For Sale*

For Sale:

**1961 through 1967 Lincoln Continentals**, complete and mostly complete cars, Sedans and Convertibles. I need to thin out my collection and if you need one of these cars either to restore or to use in your existing restoration project, please give me a call. Gordy Jensen 612.819.2107

For Sale:

**1991 Lincoln Town Car** Executive Series - 17,900 one owner miles, always garaged and well cared for all it's life. Garnet Red with light gray leather interior. Asking \$7,900. Contact Steve Schneider, Oakbrook, IL area, 630.479.1778

For Sale

**1957 Lincoln Premiere** Two door hardtop. Frame off restoration, with everything either rebuilt or replaced by a long time Ford mechanic. It has been done right and the car is probably in better condition than when it left the factory in 1957. Body work and paint done by a well known area shop. It is absolutely beautiful, and would easily score close to 100 points at any LCOC meet. Over \$41,000 restoration costs. This Premiere has all of the accessories, with the exception of air conditioning. If you want one of the finest 1957 Premieres, please call John Boegeman at 952.445.3004. Remember, you cannot buy and restore one to this condition for less than my asking price.

For Sale:

**1972 Mark IV** \$2,000 - 60K Miles. Rebuild Carb, Pertronics Ignition system (old system goes with car), Crager spoke wheels, complete set of service manuals, Personalized "Lincoln" plates good through 2011. Some other new parts go with car. Needs some Tender Loving Care, but the car is basically sound and a good value at the price. Call Dave Breault at 612-722-2075 and leave a message. Come take a look at this Lincoln Mark IV soon.

For Sale:

I have over 150 1960's Lincolns now, mostly parts cars. More than I will ever use. I have now decided to sell my extra parts; sheet metal, trim, whatever. If you are restoring a Lincoln of this era and need parts, please contact me now. I may have what you need. Just Arrived! New windshields that fit 1961 through 1969 Continentals. Available Now. Please call Gordy Jensen at 612.819.2107

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# *Preview of Coming Events*

- November     **End of year brunch.** Al Bakers in Eagan, MN. Sunday, November 13, at 1130 AM  
Another great meeting place with very fine service and food.
- December     Never any official Northstar club activities in December. Surprise your spouse with an other classic Lincoln or some great new tools for his garage. Perhaps, get on the phone and call up another Lincoln club member and go out for a holiday lunch. Consider making an end of the year donation to the Lincoln Motor Car Foundation. Lets move this fine project closer toward completion. It's also time to rest up and get ready for a very busy and fun filled 2012, including the LCOC MidAmerica in August, right here in Bloomington, MN.
- January     **We will kick off an exciting 2012** for the Northstar Region with our **first Sunday brunch** of the year. This will be a great way to shrug off the post holiday blues. See your old friends and meet some new ones. Date, time and place in our next issue. See you there.
- May     **4th Annual Lincoln Car Show, Morries, Minnetonka** on Memorial weekend, Saturday, May 26th, 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM.  
Eastern National Meet, Chattanooga, TN, May 16-19
- August     Mark your calendar right now for the **LCOC Mid-America show**, hosted by the North star Region, August 15 - 19, 2012, in Bloomington, MN
- September     **6<sup>th</sup> Annual North Star Region, Lincoln Car Show, Luther North Country**, Ford, Lincoln Mercury, Coon Rapids, Saturday, September 17<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM  
**Western National Meet**, Concord CA, September 26-30
- October     **Annual Region Pot Luck Picnic and Auction**, Morries, Sunday, October 21<sup>st</sup>

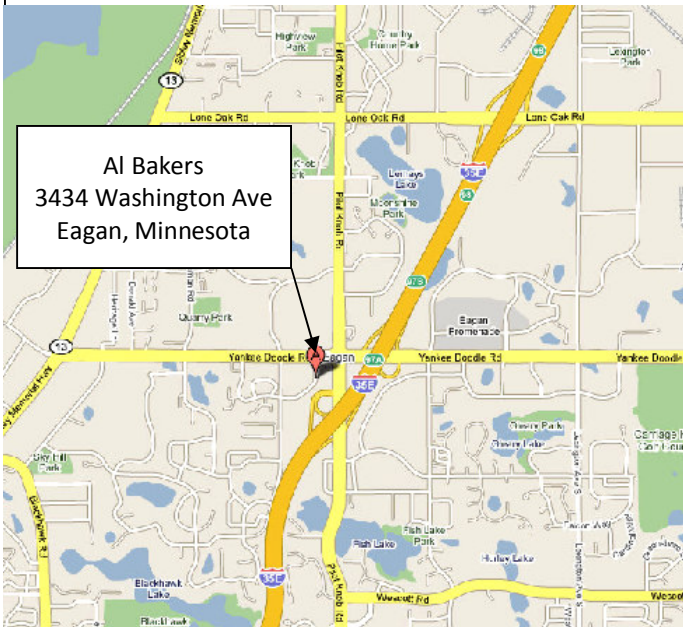
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## North Star Event for November

### November 13th, Sunday Brunch Al Bakers, Eagan, MN



**Don't miss it. It is our very last chance to get together this year. Let's have a great brunch, and re-live all the fun things that we did in 2011, and talk about what the club is planning for 2012.**

Most of you have been there before, great food, good service and reasonable prices. You just can't beat Al Bakers, and that's why we go back year after year. We will have our private room as before so it will

be easy to spend some time visiting with your friends at our first of many Northstar event of the year. If you have any friends that like cars, invite them along, perhaps we can get them to join the club.

### Directions

INTERSTATE 35E TO PILOT KNOB ROAD (FROM THE NORTH) GO RIGHT FOR 2 STOP LIGHTS, LEFT TO WASHINGTON DRIVE. (FROM THE SOUTH) TURN LEFT AT LIGHT AND THEN ANOTHER LEFT AT YANKEE DOODLE RD, LEFT ON WASHINGTON DRIVE. PHONE 651-454-9000.

Please RSVP to Bob Johnson by November 10<sup>th</sup>, by calling 651-257-1715 or email: [arborbob41@aol.com](mailto:arborbob41@aol.com)