

Pride and Joy



This picture perfect 1997 Town Car belongs to Rolland Toenges

My Town Car Discovery, as told by Rolland Toenges.

About five years ago I decided I should buy a winter car so I wouldn't need to drive my new car in road chemicals. At this time I had been widowed for several years so this decision was easy, as I didn't need to justify it to anyone else.

I had looked at a number of cars, but wasn't seeing anything that I liked in my price range. Then one day while on an errand, I happened to drive by a house with a 1997 Lincoln Town Car, Signature Series, sitting out front. An elderly lady had lost her husband and had the car for sale. The car looked pretty good and we made the deal. Although it looked pretty good, it had

not been driven for quite some time and needed a good cleaning. I gave it a thorough cleaning, installed new tires, shocks, changed all the fluids and performed other routine maintenance to insure it would be in top condition for the upcoming winter.

As I began driving the Town Car, I realized what a fine automobile I had purchased. It was truly a luxury car. It was very comfortable, adequately powered and fairly high tech, including a JBL Premium sound system. As I began to appreciate what a fine car it was, I did what was necessary to put it in showroom condition. I liked it so well that when spring, summer and fall came, it continued to be my daily driver and my new car sat in storage.

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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.

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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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Now fast forward to the summer of 2010. I had driven the Town Car for some four years and it now had over 100,000 miles, but that didn't concern me, as I believed it was good for at least 200,000. What did concern me was that there was some paint deterioration showing up around the wheel openings. You have probably figured out by now that I am a perfectionist and any sign of rust would be traumatic. I liked this car so much that I wanted to be sure I would have one well into the future. So I decided I would look for one just like it with very low miles from a part of the country where it wouldn't have been exposed to road chemicals.

One day while searching the Internet, there was the perfect replacement, a 1997 Town Car, Signature Series, with 40,000 miles and from central Florida. I made the deal and had it shipped to my home. When it arrived, I was not disappointed. With a little detailing I had it in showroom condition. There was some deterioration of plastic parts due to the Florida sunshine and I replaced anything that was not perfect.

There are two differences between the replacement Town Car and the first Town Car, which I sold. The replacement has a Pearl White finish where the first had a Performance White finish. The replacement also has the Performance or Touring Package, with larger chrome wheels, low profile tires and a higher rear axle ratio, which gives it more zip. The Touring Package provides a significant improvement in handling qualities, but the trade off is a noticeably firmer ride.

At this point, I am one happy guy. Don't bother talking to me about a new car – the 1997 Town Car has everything I need and want. Oh yeah, one of these days I will need to get my Cadillac out of storage and drive it a little.

Trivia from the Internet



Jerry Leiber
1933 - 2011

Jerome Leiber was born on April 25 1933 at Baltimore, Maryland, into a Yiddish-speaking family in a mainly Roman Catholic neighbourhood. His father died when he was five, and in 1945 his mother, who ran a grocery store, moved the family to the west coast.

By 1950, when he was 17, Leiber was a pupil at Fairfax High School, Los Angeles, with ambitions to be an actor but working part-time as an assistant in a record store, scribbling blues lyrics in an exercise-book. A mutual friend suggested he meet Stoller, with a view to forming a songwrit-

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Editors Message

October 2011

The highlight of September was our Fall Lincoln show held at Luther North Country Ford Lincoln, in Coon Rapids, one of our Northern suburbs. It was a perfect late Summer – early Fall day, weather was nice, although a bit on the warm side. But, it was a lot nicer than the cold and rain that we have experienced in past years. Attendance was on the light side, but we were competing with a number of other events going on in the Twin Cities area. Osceola, Wisconsin is

still doing a car show, which was started years ago by Tom Warth's Motorbooks International. Tom has been out of the picture for some time now, and Motorbooks is not the same company as it use to be. Marion and I regularly attended every year, up until the last few. Walking long distances to get to the car with bags of books is just not as much fun as it was ten years ago. And ten years ago, it really was a lot of fun.

During the show, I was pleasantly surprised by the very kind and thoughtfulness of my fellow club members. Bob and Mary Johnson, brought a very nicely decorated cake to the car show to help me celebrate the day. It was one of the nicest birthdays that I have had for a very long time, and the best part was I was able to be with some very good friends. I will repeat this

old Lincoln advertising slogan from the 40's and 50's, that I am so very fond of: *"Nothing could be finer"*. Thanks to all who were there and wished me well. Also, thanks to all for the very nice greeting cars that I

received. You all are very special to both Marion and I.

As an attachment to our newsletter is a LCOC membership form and a message on the reverse side from Bob Johnson explaining the "Youth membership" offer. In order to lit-



Sweet Faithie is carefully watching, as Marion and I load the MKT up with hats that Marion has knitted this past year for kindergarten and first graders in three nearby Burnsville schools.

erally keep our club alive, we desperately need an influx of new younger members. Most of us will eventually go the way of the Town Car, motoring off into the Western sunset (hopefully, not for a few more years), and the reality is that somehow we have to lower that average age of our members. There is an offer of membership for \$21 per year to entice folks in the age bracket of 18 through 24 years. At this lower price, it makes it easier to give a membership to a younger person, and introducing him (or her) to just what a great club we have. Perhaps bring them along to a car show or event. We all realize that membership in LCOC is not for everyone, but it can be a lifetime of fun and satisfaction for the few that do get involved.

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

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ing partnership. Stoller, who played jazz piano, was not keen, but Leiber persisted and later, after dropping out of Los Angeles City College, the two teenagers began to write songs together, hawking their wares to the publishers and producers around the "music row" of Sunset and Vine.

Leiber and Stoller offered material to local rhythm and blues singers such as Amos Milburn, Floyd "Skeet" Dixon and Jimmy Witherspoon, and had their first joint hit with *Hard Times* by Charles Brown.

Leiber wrote the lyrics, and with Mike Stoller as his tunesmith created a vast catalogue of songs that defined the genre, including *Love Me Tender*, *Jailhouse Rock*, *Yakety Yak*, *Stand By Me* and *On Broadway*. Their golden touch endured two decades, from *Hound Dog*, which they wrote in 1953, to *Stuck in the Middle with You*. Their influences were

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Directors Message by Bob Johnson October 2011



Where did the summer go? We had frost here in Shafer in the middle of September, which is early even here. Hopefully we will still have two months of decent driving time yet to get out and go for drives in our Lincolns. Sure hope we don't have a long winter like last year.

On September 10th, my new Hip got a real work out walking around during our 5th Annual Lincoln Car Show, at Luther North Country, Ford Lincoln, in Coon Rapids. I did just fine until Saturday night when I found out I did too much, needed some pain killers. Being laid up during this recovery is going really slow, but after eight weeks, I now can do a lot as long as I pace myself. It really paid off moving this event from October to September. We had great weather; it was in mid 80's, 20 cars enjoyed this beautiful day. A week later was frost and low fifties, just can't figure what the weather will be during our fall season. More on the car show else where in the newsletter.

The sign up time to reserve your seat on our Special Event on Sunday, October 9th, for a Taylors Falls Scenic Boat Tour, on the St Croix River, **is over.** **Please contact me if you would still like to come, I may be able to get you on board. You will need to call me ASAP.** Boarding time is 10:45 AM. Boat trip will be 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM with an On Board Luncheon. Luncheon features Chicken with all the fixins, \$27.00 per person includes tax and tip. Our Friends from the CCCA are also invited to join us on the paddle wheeler boat trip on the St Croix River.

Annual Region Pot Luck Picnic and Auction, Morries, will be on Sunday, October 30th. We will be able to view Morries Car collection at 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM. Our pot luck picnic lunch will be served about 12:30; PM. If you want to see Morries very fine collection, please be sure to come early, as the as the viewing times will be limited from 10:00AM to noon, only two hours.

We will again have an auction that will be held after the picnic, we will again have Ed Myhre has our auctioneer. Please bring car related auction items as this is a fund raiser for the North Star Region.

Please RSVP to Roger at his home 952-473-3038 or email rwothe@mschi.net, by October 27th. When doing RSVP please let Roger know what you will be bringing for our pot luck, he may have some suggestions on what is needed.

Putting on my LCOC National hat as Membership Chairman, the Club needs your help. We need to recruit more new members to keep the Club at our current level of 3,000. One way is to get our young family members involved. Attached is article about **our best kept secret, Youth Memberships** under 24 years for just \$21.00 a year. Please let me know if you have some one that deserves a Free LCOC Director Membership given by me, I still have a couple to use this year.

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

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eclectic, ranging from Broadway shows, Cole Porter and Gershwin to the jazz of Thelonious Monk and modern composers including Bartok and Stravinsky. But their influence on the popular songwriters of the 1960s - including The Beatles - was just as significant; both John Lennon and Paul McCartney acknowledged the way Leiber and Stoller songs shaped the development of their own material.

They wrote quickly, sometimes as many as five songs in an afternoon: famously, *Yakety Yak* was written in the time it took Leiber to boil a kettle to make tea. While Stoller was riffing at the piano, Leiber "just started yelling: 'Take out the papers and the trash!'" Typical of his ability effortlessly to come up with lyrics, the words for *Spanish Harlem* (1960) came to him at his town house on the

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September Northstar Board Meeting

September 1, 2011

Regional Director Bob Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:55 PM at Culver's Restaurant in Maplewood. Board members present were Bob Johnson, Harvey Oberg, Dave Gustafson, Bob Gavrilesu, Bob Roth, Tom Brace, and Roger Wothe. Other members present were Mary Johnson, Faye Oberg, Carol and Brad Yoho. The minutes of the previous meeting and the agenda of this meeting were approved.

OFFICER'S REPORTS

Regional Director Bob Johnson reviewed the up-coming club events: Fifth Annual North Star Region Lincoln car show at Luther North Country Ford-Lincoln in Coon Rapids Saturday, September 10, from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Wayzata Rotary Charity Show, Sunday, September 11, from 10.00 AM to 4:00 PM. Taylor's Falls Boat Cruise Sunday, October 9. Send a check for \$27.00 each to Harvey Oberg by September 22, to be included. Annual Pot Luck and Auction at Morries in Long Lake, Sunday, October 30. Collection viewing from 10:00 AM until noon. Lunch will be served about 12:30 with an auction to follow. RSVP to Roger at 952-473-3038 or rwothe@mchsi.com. Let him know what you will be bringing. A cleanup crew will be needed.

National LCOC election results are:

Three years: Kramer, Klinger, Lower, Clements and Carr.

Two years: Koop, Saxan and DeSpirito.

Secretary Roger Wothe suggested that all of the staff and workers at the 2012 Mid America Meet wear an identifying badge or the same color polo shirts with a Meet logo and area of responsibility on the shirts. He has received only two nominations for Directors: Bob Roth and Bob Johnson. Bob Johnson would like to have two more Directors added to the Board.

Treasurer Harvey Oberg reported the treasury balance to be \$2,269.64 with all bills paid.

Membership and Publications Director Dave Gustafson reported the membership renewal to be one hundred fifty-two. Keep those "My Pride and Joy" articles coming.

Projects Director Bob Gavrilesu introduced the idea of Lincoln logo floor mats for use other than in cars.

24 x 36 mats are \$49.00 each and 36 x 48 mats are \$89.00 each. A quantity of twelve must be ordered to obtain the best price.

Members Carol and Brad Yoho presented information on a tour of the Minnesota Science Museum for the 2012 Mid America Meet. Bus transportation to the Museum from the Meet hotel would be part of the package.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM. The next meeting will be at Culver's Restaurant in Maplewood Thursday, October 6, at 7:00 PM. All members are invited to attend

Respectfully submitted by Secretary Roger Wothe.

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Upper West Side while Stoller was in the kitchen grilling a hamburger.

In 1953 they formed the Spark record label to release material by the doo-wop quartet, The Robins (later The Coasters), describing the songs they wrote for the group as "playlets"; The Robins's biographer went further, identifying "a string of individual morality plays into which they distilled a neat and witty combination of guts and well-observed narrative". The records included *Smokey Joe's Café*, *Riot in Cell Block 9* and *Framed*, all of which The Robins recorded.

Not all their hits were so nuanced. Leiber and Stoller took less than 15 minutes to compose *Hound Dog* for Willie Mae Thornton; despite (or perhaps because of) its vernacular lyric - "You ain't nothin' but a houn' dog/Cryin' all the time" - it eventu-

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Ford plans 7 new models to reposition Lincoln

Courtesy, the Detroit Press.

After several failed tries, Ford Motor Co. vows that this time, its revival of the ailing Lincoln brand will succeed. Lincoln, whose sales zenith exceeded 231,000 cars in 1990, is at the bottom of the luxury brands today, with U.S. sales of 57,800 through August.

Dearborn-based Ford has a lot riding on Lincoln's recovery — and not just its \$1 billion commitment to the effort. Successful global automakers need a luxury brand for buyers to move up to, or risk losing a high-margin sale to the competition. Think Toyota and Lexus; Chevrolet and Cadillac; Honda and Acura. and Ford executives say the distractions are gone now — namely the Mercury, Volvo, Jaguar, Aston Martin, Land Rover and Mazda brands, which were part of the Ford family but have been jettisoned in recent years. Only mainstream Ford and premium Lincoln are left to vie for the automaker's resources and management attention.

Ford lured designer Max Wolff from Cadillac, giving him a design studio separate from Ford brand projects. A team of about 120 designers, engineers and marketing personnel are dedicated to reimagining Lincoln.

They'll roll out seven new Lincolns by 2014 to try to stake a bigger claim in the luxury market. In addition to updating the MKS, MKZ, MKX, MKT and Navigator, Lincoln will add a compact car.

Derrick Kuzak, head of product development, insists the new Lincolns won't be rebadged Fords. While they may

share underpinnings, he said, the similarities end there.

New Lincolns, for example, will include fully retractable glass roofs and push-button electronic gear selectors, freeing space in the center console. "If it looks different than a Ford, customers might be willing to pay more for it," said analyst Dave Sullivan of research and forecasting firm Auto-Pacific Inc. in Ann Arbor.

"Lincoln cannot survive as a Ford trim level. That won't cut it anymore."

Goal is a unique experience

Lincoln's success as a premium brand in the United States will be measured by how it competes against Cadillac and Lexus, Kuzak said in an overview of future plans for Lincoln. "We need to reposition Lincoln," he said.

The Dearborn automaker wants its cars and crossovers to provide a unique driving experience — the responsiveness of a BMW and the comfort of a Lexus, Kuzak said.

Sullivan said the strategy could work: Aim for BMW handling and make up for any shortcomings with an affordable, fuel-efficient and technologically advanced vehicle with a more luxurious interior.

Rebecca Lindland, analyst with IHS Automotive Inc. in Greenwich, Conn., has seen some of the new designs. "I was really impressed, far more than I expected to be," she said.

"People might be underestimating what we have planned for Lincoln,"

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ally became one of the defining popular songs of the 20th century.

When first recorded by Thornton in 1953, the song topped the R&B charts for a modest seven weeks. Later Elvis Presley heard a comedy version of the song in a show at Las Vegas and decided to cover it as a rock and roll number. He recorded 31 takes before he was satisfied. Stoller, who had sailed for Europe on a belated honeymoon, was unaware of this development. But on his return, in July 1956, Leiber was waiting for him on the dockside at New York to greet him with the news that they had scored their first major hit.

Based on the success of Hound Dog, Leiber and Stoller were hired to write more songs for Presley, as well as the score for his film Jailhouse Rock. By then Spark had been bought out by Atlantic Records, and in October 1957 Leiber and Stoller moved to New York as independent

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North Country Car Show 2011

By Bob Johnson

This was our 5th Annual Lincoln Car Show at Luther North Country Ford, Lincoln, in Coon Rapids, on September 10. We had 20 great Lincolns attend to enjoy the great weather, which was sunny and high 80's, it just can't get any better than that.

Our Peoples Choice Award for Best of Show went to a 1956 Premiere Hardtop, Brad and Joanie Videen, Cambridge. Our 2nd place award went to 1965 Continental Convertible, John and Dorothy Palmer, Barnum. Our 3rd place award went to a 1953 Lincoln Capri, Jack Boucher, Taylors Falls. John and Dorothy Palmer, Barnum, won our Long Distance Driving Award,

David Gustafson, Northstar News editor, happily celebrated another birthday the same day as the car show. He was presented with a large cake, while very large, it still was not big enough to hold all the many candles needed for each year. Coincidentally, Jim Taplin also shares the same birthday, so we really had a very good day to celebrate this once a year event.



Top show winner is this stunning 1956 Premiere two-door hardtop owned by Brad and Joanie Videen. This car features a rare accessory, factory air conditioning, which does work very well.



A perfect way to spend that once-in-a-year day, with very good friends.



Long distance award winners, Dorothy and John Palmer with their 1965 Continental convertible. This car just looks better every time you see it. And it looks even better with John behind the wheel. "Nothing can be finer"

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More North Country Fall Car Show

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producers, setting up an office in the celebrated Brill Building.

As with most of their early numbers from the 1950s, the creations for *Jailhouse Rock* were mainly eight-, 12- and 16-bar blues based on simple chord progressions, their so-called "three chord trick". Leiber crafted a succession of precision-made lyrics in simple verse form, including a controversial "gay" verse in *Jailhouse Rock*: "Number forty-seven said to number three/You're the cutest jailbird I ever did see/I sure would be delighted with your company/Come on and do the jailhouse rock with me."

They moved to New York in 1959 and at 26 entered a more mature phase of their careers.

They had commercial understanding too, and were always aware that radio airplay was the key to success ("We don't write songs, we write records"). Having writ-

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Our top door prizes a Lincoln Watch was won by Roger Wother and a Ladies denim shirt was won by Ruth Boylan. Luther North Country Ford Lincoln donated many of the door prizes. General Manager Mike Swoboda from Luther North Country, treated the club to a fine lunch.

We had seven great Lincolns shown for the first time, a 1956 Premiere Hardtop, Brad and Joanie Videen, Cambridge; a 1973 Mark VI, Frank Langer, Scandia; a 1953 Capri, Jack Boucher, Taylors Falls, a 1978 Town Car, Bruce Crawford, South St Paul; a



Brad and Joanie Videen, were eager to sell everyone on the virtues of owning a 1956 Premiere.

2005 Lincoln LS, Roger Leppla, Princeton; a 2001 Town Car, Bob Gyurci, Bloomington and a 1978 Mark V, Bill Le May, Woodbury The oldest car at this show was driven by Lloyd Pearson, Edina, a 1940 Lincoln Cabriolet.



An absolutely perfect to spend a nice September day. Good friends, nice cars and some a little food make it a Kodak moment.

We want to thank Mike Swoboda and all the staff at Luther North County, for hosting this event, inviting us to a great lunch and supplying door prizes from their dealership.



At the end of a great show, Bob Johnson, right, presents North Country Ford Lincoln with a Northstar region commemorative plaque.

The whole staff was very friendly and helpful, a great dealership to do your business with. We urge you to support the two local Ford Lincoln dealers, Morris Minnetonka and Luther North Country. If you are planning to purchase a new or used vehicle in the near future, please give these fine folks a chance to serve you. We appreciate their sponsoring our two local Lincoln shows, and they will appreciate your business.

We want to thank every one who attended this car show, this is what the car hobby is about, FUN and FRIENDS.

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ten the records, they then launched themselves as arrangers and producers in order to preserve their music as they intended it to sound. As producers they were pioneers too, and became the first to invest black music with elaborate production values, enhancing the emotional power of The Drifters, for example, with innovative scoring for strings on There Goes My Baby (1959).

This song was also the first pop record to employ the subtle Latin-American rhythms known as the baion, which became the basis of a succession of Drifters records from Save The Last Dance for Me to Under the Boardwalk. Leiber and Stoller's combination of subtle rhythms and arrangements, and the "cushion" of sound they constructed in their recordings by using two or three guitarists and multiple percussionists, would serve as an important precursor to the "Wall of Sound" devised by Phil

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New Lincolns continued...

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said J Mays, the automaker's head of design and chief creative officer. "Lincoln is going to shoot up quite a lot higher than it is today."

That is necessary, Sullivan said, because in its current form, "I don't know anybody who aspires to get a Lincoln."

Ford has asked buyers and dealers to accept on faith that the new Lincolns are coming. But time is of the essence.

Auto shows have come and gone in recent years with no new Lincoln offerings. Finally, a revamped MKS will be unveiled at the Los Angeles auto show in November and a concept of the next-generation MKZ will be unwrapped at the North American International Auto Show in Detroit in January.

While work continues behind the scenes at Lincoln, its competition is charging ahead. GM has been overhauling Cadillac and revitalizing its Buick lineup; traditional German luxury brands show no signs of losing ground.

Decline came over time

Lincoln's descent didn't happen overnight.

Following its 1990 sales peak, when it was the top luxury brand, the nameplate had a resurgence from 1998-2000 and enjoyed a brief, golden period as part of the Ford Premier Automotive Group. That

unit was formed in 1999 to oversee the automaker's high-end marques: Aston Martin, Jaguar, Land Rover and Volvo.

For the first time in 50 years, Lincoln had its own designers and engineers and the brand flourished with its new lineup and image.

But the absurdity of housing domestic Lincoln with the European imports, in California, as part of a group run by a German executive based in London became evident, and Lincoln was repatriated to Dearborn in 2002.

Things took a turn for the worse. While Cadillac invested in new rear-drive cars, Lincoln's rear-drive sedans were starved of cash, and its new offerings were rebadged, front-wheel-drive Fords. Mays said he and about four other design directors have made attempts to reinvent Lincoln since 1997, but "every time we crept up and leveled off. Part of that is because we were more interested in the PAG (Premier Automotive Group) brands."

Ford shed those exotic brands under the tenure of CEO Alan Mulally, who took over Ford in 2006.

But Lincoln still lacked direction, and sales have been in decline for a decade.

Ford insists the direction is clear this time. In addition to the design studio, Lincoln has its own powertrain engineers. While there will be engine-sharing with other Ford products, the calibration and the throaty

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Spector, who had worked for two years as their apprentice.

*Working in the Brill's own studios, they produced **Lucky Lips** for Ruth Brown and **Saved for Lavern Baker**. But their most notable productions were for **The Drifters** and their lead singer **Ben E King**; classics such as **There Goes My Baby**, **Stand By Me** and **On Broadway** were released on Atlantic. They also began working for major labels like Capitol and RCA Victor (who released Presley's hits) as well as newly-created independents.*

*On leaving Atlantic after a row over money, they produced a remarkable series of hits for the record division of United Artists, including **Love Potion Number Nine**, recorded by **The Clovers**.*

*In 1964, with **George Goldner**, they set up the **Red Bird** and*

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More new Lincoln...

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V-8 sound from a V-6 will be uniquely Lincoln.

All its models will offer all-wheel drive, and there will be eight-speed automatic transmissions; Ford counterparts start with six.

The cars will have an electronic chassis control suspension system, active noise control and electric steering. And technology unique to Lincoln, to attract young, educated progressive luxury buyers. "To grow the brand," Kuzak explained, "we need a new base of customers and that requires technology that is intuitive and useful" without alienating current customers.

Vincent Trasatti Jr., owner of East West Lincoln in New Carrollton, Md., said he thinks the emphasis on technology will resonate with shoppers. "It will help identify Lincoln as trendy and sophisticated buyers," he said. "I feel great about Lincoln. It is finally getting the management attention it deserves."

Trasatti and the other Lincoln dealers are part of the plan. Starting this month, dealers are being measured against new standards for signs, staff and training, showrooms, lounges, car washes and other amenities to pamper customers.

Ford is also on track to reduce dealerships in the top 130 metropolitan U.S. markets from 500 to 325.

Kuzak believes the efforts are not too little, too late.

"It is always the right time to introduce great products," he said.

August Brunch

Due to space limitations in the September issue, we are reporting on it now.

We ventured to Lord Fletchers on Lake Minnetonka, for our Sunday Brunch, on August 14th. We had 30 members attend. Food and fellowship was just the best. This is one of the finest restaurants in the Twin City area. What a great place Lord Fletchers is.

Paul and Deb Andahl, were presented with a large picture poster displaying pictures taken while on the Bismarck or Bust Tour, August 2010. Andahl's opened their home after our Edie Car Show in Bismarck, where they served a great meal while hosting over 30 Lincoln lovers, on Saturday, August 14, 2010. Our Region really appreciates the generosity Paul and Deb put forth to host such great gathering, their yard was full of beautiful Lincolns.

Ray Nelson, who attended the Koolacky Days car show in Montgomery stayed a bit longer than the rest of the club and received several trophies on behalf of the club. The region received a "Club Participation Trophy", which acknowledged the twenty plus cars the members brought to show. Ray also had a trophy for Bob Johnson received for his Custom Mark VII. And last but not least, your editor received a trophy for the 1951 Cosmopolitan.

Our door prizes, Lincoln Wrist Watch was won by Dick Eilers, and a Ladies Denim shirt was won by Jan Leppla. We look forward to seeing all of you at our October events.

Northstar Welcome Wagon

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Blue Cat record labels on which, among other songs, they released The Shangri-Las' Leader of the Pack.

Taking a break from production, Leiber and Stoller bought the King record group and created the cabaret-style songs for Peggy Lee's album Mirrors (1976), which led off with Ready To Begin Again, a song revealing Leiber at his most unbecuiling: "When my teeth are at rest in a glass by my bed/ And my hair lies somewhere in a drawer/Then the world doesn't seem like a very nice place/Not a very nice place any more".

They returned to mainstream pop briefly in 1972, producing two albums for the British folk-rock duo Stealers Wheel and another for Elkie Brooks, for whom they produced and part-wrote her hit Pearl's A Singer. In semi-retirement in

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THANK YOU for keeping me employed and for introducing the Lincoln Club to our newest members. Even though I have been doing this column for a few years, Bob Johnson says I am still part time and my benefits of meeting Lincoln owners and seeing their cars are all the benefits I need. You can't argue with Lincoln Logic like that!

Before I introduce our new members I must tell you of a great Lincoln experience I had at Fargo. I saw John Trandems's fine car collection! I was not able to go on the 2010 Bismarck or Bust tour but I was in Fargo on September 15, 2011. It was a real treat to see John's cars and to visit with John again.



Our first new members are Bill & Janie LeMay of Woodbury, MN. You can contact them at williamle-may@comcast.net or 651-738-0528. Bill was in the car leasing business and always liked Cadillacs and Lincolns. The Mark V Lincolns were especially appealing and a good friend had one. In 2001 Bill had a chance to buy a 1978 Mark V with less than 10,000 miles. This beautiful car still has very low miles and is a joy to drive.

Our next new members are Jack & Nancy Boucher, 1448 Mulberry Street, Taylors Falls, MN 55084. Contact them at 651-465-7702, mail jboucher@frontiernet.net. Being that Jack worked at the Ford Plant in St. Paul, it is not surprising to find Ford products in the Boucher garage. The collector cars include a 1930 Model A coupe and the 1953 Lincoln Capri hardtop. Jack flew to Phoenix in January, 1996, rented a Ryder truck and trailer, and hauled the Capri back to Minnesota. The car was finished by January of 1998. The success of these Lincolns in the Mexican Road Race proved that these beautiful luxury cars were fast and durable. Jack and Nancy's Lincoln confidently proves its Road Race capability every time they enter a freeway on ramp – in style!

We may be hearing from the LeMays and the Bouchers in an upcoming Pride and Joy article. Meanwhile submit YOUR Pride and Joy article to David Gustafson. Until next time, enjoy the autumn scenery through the windshield of your Lincoln!



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Jack Boucher with his 1953 Capri and the award from the fall car show

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the 1970s, Leiber and Stoller developed *Only In America*, a stage show featuring 30 of their songs. A musical based on their compositions, *Yakety Yak*, was staged in London. A second musical of their work, *Smokey Joe's Café*, was a Broadway hit, running from 1995 until 2000 before going on a nationwide American tour.

In 2005 Leiber and Stoller released a remixed and expanded version of the Peggy Lee *Mirrors* album, retitled *Peggy Lee Sings Leiber and Stoller*. The pair received Grammys for *Is That All There Is?* and for the cast album of *Smokey Joe's Café*, which was also nominated for seven Tony awards.

Jerry Leiber lived in latter years at Venice Beach, California, and was a collector of art, including paintings by Lucian Freud.

He was twice divorced, and is survived by two sons.

From the internet..

In Memoriam



Randy Pedersen
1951 - 2011

It is with much sadness that we must report the passing of Northstar member, Randy Pedersen. Randy, age 60, was a Real Estate

Developer for Apple Valley, died suddenly Friday, May 27, 2011. He was born January 2, 1951, in the Town of Crosby, Minnesota. He graduated from South Fargo High School in 1969. On August 16, 1975, he was united in marriage to Nancy C. Erickson in Fargo, North Dakota. Randy and Nancy Moved to Apple Valley Minnesota in 1979, and has resided there since. Randy was a devoted husband to his wife, and an incredible Dad and Grandpa to all his girls. He was an active member with the Apple Valley Rotary Club, Apple Valley community, and Grace Lutheran Church. Randy enjoyed spending his time with his family and close friends. He also was an avid hunter, and car enthusiast. Randy is survived by his wife Nancy and his three daughters Nici (Kevin), Dani (Greg), and Doei (Aaron); His granddaughters Ellen (Zach), Kylie, and Layla; his parents Helen and Gene, siblings Eric (Cecily), and Alicia (Owen). He is also survived by many nieces, nephews, and friends. Services have been held.

Don't Forget
Northstar Annual Picnic
Sunday
October 30, 2011
See last page for details

We need your help

Your Northstar Board of Directors would appreciate receiving any information that you may have regarding great places for brunches or places of interest that might be of interest.

Any suggestion you might have will be well received and receive consideration at our future board meetings. Over the years, many of our members have found great places for brunches and other meals that the club has visited and really enjoyed.

If you have any ideas about short tours, or even overnights, let us know about what you have. It's your club too, we can all make it a little better.

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:

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), Cragger 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

STORAGE AVAILABLE

Safe, Secure Storage for your classic now available Southwest Metro Location. Contact Connie 952-412-1266

Preview of Coming Events

- October Please join us on **Sunday, October 9**, for a Taylors Falls Scenic Boat Tour, on the St Croix River, 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM with an On Board Luncheon. Boarding time is 10:45 AM. Luncheon features Chicken with all the fixins, \$27.00 per person includes tax and tip. NOTE: Some seating may still be available. Call Bob Johnson to check availability for this great fall boat tour. For information about Boat Cruise, call Bob Johnson, 651-257-1715 or email: arborbob41@aol.com.
- Annual Region Pot Luck Picnic and Auction.** Annual Region Pot Luck Picnic and Auction, Morries, **Sunday, October 30**, We will be able to view Morries Car collection at 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM. Our pot luck picnic lunch will be served about 12:30; PM. We will again have an auction that will be held after the picnic, **no viewing of Morries cars in the afternoon**. Be sure to come early if you want to view Morries Car collection. Please RSVP to Roger at home. 952-473-3038 or email: rwothe@mschi.com, by October 27th. When doing RSVP please let Roger know what you will be bringing for our pot luck, he may have some suggestions on what is needed.
- 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.
- August Mark your calendar right now for the LCOC Mid-America show, hosted by the Northstar Region, August 15 - 19, 2012, in Bloomington, MN

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North Star Events for October and November



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It will be a great fall day, with fall colors prevalent along the St. Croix. Enjoy the day in the company of your friends from the Lincoln Club.

Boarding time is 10:45 AM. Luncheon features Chicken with all the fixins, \$27.00 per person includes tax and tip.

There may be a few seats still available for the boat tour. Call Bob Johnson right away if you still would like to go.

Bob Johnson, 651-257-1715 or email: arborbob41@aol.com.

FALL NORTHSTAR LCOC PICNIC

Sunday, October 30th, 10:00AM to 3:00PM

Morrie's Conference Center

2605 Wayzata (Old Hwy 12) Boulevard, Long Lake, MN

Mark your calendars today

Our Annual Region Pot Luck Picnic and Auction, will be held on **Sunday, October 30th**. Roger Wothe has again made arrangements with Morrie Wagener to again use his training and conference center located slightly West of Long Lake on old Highway 12. *We will be able to view Morrie's Car collection for two hours only, 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM.* Our pot luck picnic lunch will be served about 12:30; PM. We will again have an auction that will be held after the picnic, so please bring something automotive related, and better yet, with a Lincoln name on it. Be sure to come early if you want to view Morrie's Car collection. Please RSVP to Roger at his home 952-473-3038 or email rwothe@mschi.com. no later than October 25. When doing the RSVP, please let Roger know what you will be bringing for our pot luck, he may have some suggestions on what is needed. Spend a nice Sunday with friends and talking about how nice the summer of 2011 was.