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Above and lower below, the field at the Grand Sierra Hotel, Reno. Directly below, the cars in the mountains above Incline Village, Lake Tahoe.

Red's Old Highway 395 Grill in Carson, Nevada. After lunch 17 cars and 57 people climbed high into the mountains above the lake then down into Incline Village at the north end of the lake. From there it was back into the mountains again for breathtaking views and the ride back to the hotel in Reno. Thursday night it was dinner on your own.

Friday was Mechanical Judging and a bus tour to The National Automobile Museum in Downtown Reno. This is the successor to Harrah's Automobile Collection. While it is far from the size of the old collection, it lacks nothing in

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# 2009 Western National Meet Reno, Nevada, June 10-14

Even though this year's Western National Meet was sponsored by the National LCOC Club, not the Western Region, you would never have known it from the number of Western Region members and cars in attendance. There were only 37 cars judged, but well over 100 LCOC members joined the festivities from as near as California and as far as Pennsylvania, Michigan, Illinois, and Florida.

The meet was held at the Grand Sierra Hotel, successor to the MGM Grand Hotel, the largest hotel in Reno. The showfield was to the north of the hotel in a vast parking lot. The LCOC Meet regisration desk was in the rear lobby with our hospitality room and banquet room right behind the desk.

The festivities started Thursday with a 100 plus mile tour up into the High Sierras and around the north end of Lake Tahoe. Before we began the mountain climb there was lunch at





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## director's message

Summer is here!! So is car show season. Nancy, Riley (our Maltipoo) and I have just returned from the LCOC Western National Meet held in Reno, Nevada. We had a great time, made some new friends, and of course laughed it up with our old friends. A number of our Northern California members were present. Many of our Western Region members won trophies, plaques and Emeritus awards.

Note: There were only 37 cars shown at the meet. One of the best ways to improve your Lincoln is to have it judged at one of our meets. Then you will know what to fix.

At the Reno Meet, it was announced that our Region will host the Western National Meet for 2010. The dates are May 19th - 22nd. The Meet will be held in Ventura. Our illustrious members, Den and Jan Fenske and Bruce and Helen Hutchinson head up our meet committee. So you know it will be a great meet.

Nancy and I will be hosting our Western Region Picnic. The date is Sunday, July 26th, at Yorba Linda Regional Park between 10 am and 3 pm. Entrance to the Park is \$5 per car. Food will be provided at \$10 per Adult. Kids under 14 are free. So we will know how much food to buy, please RSVP to my e-mail: norhos@att.net or call 714) 970-3813, by July 20. Please bring those beautiful Lincolns to show and shine, there is plenty of parking.

On September 12th we will have our tour of the Peterson Museum in Los Angeles. Steve Erler is our host. This should be a wonderful event.

Finally, our Fall Board of Director's Meeting will be held Saturday, November 14, in Fresno. Although this is not a car show event, all members are welcome and we hope to see you Central and Northern members. Details of hotel, etc. will be in the next *Confab*.

Continentally Yours, Norm

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# **Coming Events**

### Southern California

Sunday, July 26th Annual Picnic Yorba Regional Park Yorba Linda, California

Saturday, September 12th Petersen Museum Outing Los Angeles, California

Saturday, November 14th Annual Meeting Central California Specific Location To Be Announced

### Northern California

Saturday, August 8 Wine Country Picnic Buena Vista Winery, Sonoma

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Yorba Regional Park Picnic 2006.

# Southern California Annual Picnic Yorba Regional Park Yorba Linda, CA Sunday, July 26th

This event is moving back to this very popular and well located park for 2009. The facilities offer ample room for our car display and discussions as well as a shaded eating area. Also planned is an update on the Western National Meet set for next May in Ventura as well as the recent Meet in Reno.

The costs are very nominal: \$10.00 per person for the event and \$5.00 per car to enter the park. The hours of the picnic are 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Norm and Nancy Hoskins have always had a great spread at this event and I believe we can expect the same this year. Please call Norm Hoskins at (714)970-3813 or e-mail him at norhos@att.net and send your check for the event to Norm at 5485 Vista Del Mar, Yorba Linda, CA. 92887.

This is our prime summer gathering and a great way to meet with other members as well as getting caught up on recent events and see what is planned for the future.

Dave and Sandi Larson's 1928 Lincoln L roadster, oldest car at the Meet.



Jeremy Sanford's 1969 Continental Mark III and Steve and Becki D'Ambrosia's 1967 Lehmann-Peterson.

## Petersen Museum Tour Petersen Museum, Los Angeles, CA. Saturday, September 12th

Steve Erler is working with the Museum to have us tour the facility and have lunch in the new Johnny Rockets Restaurant in the Museum. The restaurant is being constructed now and plans are to have lunch and admission for \$20.00 per person.
The Museum is constantly reinventing itself with new exhibits, restaurants, etc. and September appears to be good timing for a visit.
The hours as of now are from 10:00 am.to 1:00 pm. plus.
Steve will have final information in our next edition of the Confab but we will need to get a count soon after to meet the Museum commitments. Please plan on this event as it is starting to look unusual.



Northern California Membership Picnic August 8, 2009 12:00 p.m. The Northern California wine country picnic for 2009 will be held the afternoon of Saturday, August 8 at the Buena Vista Winery in Sonoma. There is no charge for the lunch being prepared by our own Mike Cunningham, but there is a fee in the tasting room for those who wish to partake in some of California's finest wines. Please RSVP to Jeremy Sanford (916) 769-2333 no later than August 1 so we will know how much food to prepare. Looking forward to seeing all of our Northern. California members again this year! Directions: Buena Vista Winery is located at 18000 Old Winery Rd. Sonoma, CA 95476 Phone: (707) 265-1472

Board of Managers Meeting Winter Meeting Update Grand Sierra Resort Reno, Nevada June 12, 2009

Following is a synopsis of events from the shortened meeting. They are not formal Minutes of the Meeting.

Board Members in attendance: all except Bob Reed and Bob Gee.

Items covered: Update on plans for a Western National Meet to be held in Ventura in May, 2010. Den Fenske and Bruce Hutchinson are making the initial plans and hotel, etc. is committed. The hotel is the Four Points by Sheraton and the Holiday Inn Express.

2010 Board of Managers – slate of five candidates presented and approved. Four of the five are new to the Board. The Ballots will be issued in August with a mid October deadline. It was confirmed that the Annual Meeting will be held on Saturday, November 14th in the Fresno area. The exact location to be finalized.

Confab: prox. 55% of membership now receiving Confab via e-mail. A goal was established of increasing the percentage to 80% by the Annual Meeting. Mike Gribble is making progress with ads for the *Confab*.

Directory - content, issue date, etc. tabled to Annual Meeting.



terms of display setting and quality and rarity of the cars. The museum was built after the Foundation received a gift of 175 cars and an extensive library from the original Harrah's When the National Collection. Automobile Museum opened in 1989 it set the international standard for autombile museums with its unique street period scenes and worldrenowned collection. Those who visited the collection in Bill Harrah's day will recognize many of the cars including the Thomas Flyer which won the 1908 Great Race around the world.

Our museum tour was followed by the Welcome Buffet and a lively parts and memorabilia auction conducted by the ever popular Randy Mytar. At the end of the auction Lincoln-Mercury auctioned off the use of two 2010 models for a week for \$650 each. These proceeds go to the LCOC National Treasury.

The Saturday Show was less than anticipated due to to the limited number of cars and somewhat uncooperative weather. Lincoln-Mercury had a hospitaliaty tent and offered three 2010 model cars for testing. With few cars to admire and rain off and on most of the members were back in the hotel after lunch. Judging was over early, too.

At the Awards Banquet most of the awards went to Western Region and Pacific Northwest Region cars.

Even though it was a small meet we had three limousines, and they all won

Pringle's 1951 Lincoln Lido, Elliston Bell Trophy winner.

awards. William and Carolyn Tobin's 1984 Lincoln Town Car Limousine won a Primary 1st. Bob and Joan MacDougal's 1969 Lehmann-Peterson won an Emeritus Award as did Steve and Becky D'Ambrosia's 1967 Lehmann-Peterson. The MacDougals also won the Ruth Trophy with their 1978 Continental Mark V.

The only Continenal Mark II at the Meet was entered by Alex Bernhard of Carson City. It won a Lincoln Trophy. Other Lincoln Trophy winners were Dave and Sandi Larson's 1928 Lincoln Roadster, Craig and Joan Watjen's 1947 Lincoln Continental Coupe, Tom and Sally Fayne's 1979 Mark V, Marv Wendt and Jan McNiel's 1979 Lincoln Versailles, Norm and Nancy Hoskins' 1996 Mark VIII, and Jim and Carol Higgs' 1995 Lincoln Town Car.

Not many Perpetual Trophies were handed out due to the limited number of cars participating. In addition to the MacDougal's Mark V, Robert Sheran's 1986 Lincoln Town Car won the Robet H. Davis Trophy, and Charlie Steward's 1997 Lincoln Town Car won the Douglas W. Mattix Trophy. There were nine cars in the Emeritis Class including Bob and Mary Johnson going the second time around with their 1989 Mark VII convertible.

The Elliston H. Bell Founder's Trophy was a dark horse. It went to a 1951 Lincoln Lido owned by James and Joanne Pringle of Lacey, Washington. This is the first time a Lido has won the Bell Trophy and one of the few times that a Lido has been entered at an LCOC National Meet. We would have had a 1951 Lincoln Cosmopolitan Capri at the show but the owner, Adrian Warren, Tucson, Arizona, had to leave early due to a family emergency.

D'Ambrosia's 1967 Limo was voted the best car on the tour. Charlie Steward came the longest distance from Lithia, Florida, in his 1997 Lincoln Town Car. Dave Larson's 1928 Lincoln Locke Roadster was the oldest car driven to the meet. Erica Johnson, a teenager, won the hard luck award with a 1963 Lincoln Continental convertible. The Western Region thanks Bob and Joan MacDougal and Art and Carol Whitmire for a fantastic meet. We would not have had a meet without them.



# 2009 Western National Meet Photos

The photo in the center is our Western Hosts, the MacDougals.





Above left, judging Gribble's 1985 Mark VII. Below, Hutchinson's 1946 Lincoln Continental.





# We invite you to attend Lincolns at the Harbor LCOC Western National Meet May 19-22, 2010 Ventura Harbor, California

The Western Region proudly presents *Lincolns at the Harbor*. Come and enjoy the scenic beauty of California's Gold Coast, located 30 minutes south of Santa Barbara. Our activities will take place at the Four Points by Sheraton and Holiday Inn Express Complex. Your rooms are spacious with spectacular views at the Harbor's edge. A full course breakfast will accompany your stay. Plan a few extra days if you can...there is plenty to see and do in this area.

The weekend will be filled with all the activities that mark our National Meets, to include our Friday night auction, Saturday Car Show at the Harbor, and followed by the gala Awards Banquet. Plan to arrive on Wednesday night to be ready for the Car Tour on Thursday morning. We will take in automobile and airplane museums, and we will lunch as we leisurely cruise on nice roads along the flatland of strawberry fields much like we did in the "good ole days". Friday is mechanical judging and detailing with time for a Harbor walk or transportation to town to enjoy the "world's greatest" antique and boutique shops and a restaurant for lunch before returning for the evening's buffet and Auction. There will be a photo shoot

tions for more details as they become available. We will try our best to make this an affordable event, so make your plans to see the Californa Harbor Show on May 19-22.

See you there!

Den ande Jam Fenske, (805) 985-8721

and brunch on Sunday morning to officially conclude our fabulous weekend.

Our hosts for the event will be Den and Jan Fenske and Bruce and Helen Hutchinson. Watch the Lincoln publica-



## marketplace...

<u>WANTED: 1961 Lincoln Continental Sedan</u> with leather and factory air for my personal collection. Highest quality desired. Contact Andy Linsky at 760-333-2228 or andy@linsky.com

<u>1971 Continenal Mark IIIs. Two for sale.</u> In California cars. Both in good condition. \$7,500 for both cars. B.R. Galik, 92 Via Floreado, Orinda, CA 94563. Phone (925) 254-6615 (415) 931-2602

<u>1969</u> Continental Mark III. 113k miles, second owner for 20 years. Always a Northern California car. Rare burnt orange metallic with white top and white leather interior. Mostly unrestored and still very nice. Runs and drives perfect. All available options. Cold air-conditioning. Serviced and road ready. \$5,500 or best offer. Paul Borgwardt, Walnut Creek, California. (925) 947-2937 or e-mail pborgwart04@aol.com

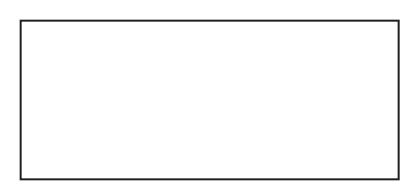
<u>Collection Reduction</u>. Long time Member in Southern California Bob Gee is starting to reduce his collection of 17 cars and an extensive inventory of parts, most of which are for '65 and '66 Convertibles. The cars are: 1967 4 Door Lincoln Continental - was running well when stored \$2,000. 1968 4 Door Lincoln Continental - 460 Engine – was running well when stored \$1,000. 1977 4 Door Town Car - 460 Engine - was running well when stored \$750. 1979 Mark V

- Original Paint – Runs. Needs work \$750. 1976 4 Door Town Car - Given to Richard Nixon by Ford Motor Co. \$3,500.

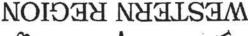
<u>Contact Bob Gee at (951)571-3319 regarding the above and the parts list.</u>

<u>WANTED -- 1946-48 era Cadillac engine</u>. In restoring my 1947 Cadillac I found the original engine to be running but very tired. Rather than have this one rebuilt I would like to find a good, serviceable used one. Does anyone in the club have such an engine or know where I could find one? Tim Howley, (760) 739-0332 E-mail t.howley@cox.net

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Region Picnic, July 26, Yorba Linda Regional Park