



This 1932 Lincoln KB has been donated by Ford to the Lincoln Foundation.

Lincoln Foundation Museum

At the Winter Board of Directors Meeting of LCOC January 23 in Orlando, Florida the funding program for the Lincoln Foundation Museum was announced with Joanne Lower as the Lincoln Continental Owners Club Funding Coordinator. The Lincoln Motor Car Museum will be built on the Gilmore Car Museum's grounds at Hickory Corners, Michigan. Many members of the Lincoln clubs have been working for years to bring this idea to a reality.

In order to jump start the effort, Jerry Capizzi and Chris Dunn have graciously presented us with \$300,000 in challenge grants. The challenge grants stipulate that club members must match their \$300,000 offer by August 1, 2010. Already more than 33% of the required matching funds have been pledged.

The Lincoln Museum will be 20,000 square feet built in two phases. The Foundation will own the building and the collections. The Gilmore will own the land and maintain the collection and the building.

The Gilmore Museum is located on a 90 acre site midway between Chicago and Detroit. In addition to the Gilmore Museum's own buildings and 250 cars, there are Museums for the Classic Car Club of America, the Pierce Arrow Society, and soon to come the H.H. Franklin Car Club.

The time has come for all Western Region members to step up to the plate. The gifts can be made in your name, in commemoration of someone

you wish to honor, or as a memorial to a loved one or friend. Appropriate recognition of your gift will be made at the museum site.

Many special naming opportunities are available, or one that particularly appeals to you can be created. You can pledge \$100 for a Walkway Brick or \$25,000 for a Patio or Exhibit or any amount in between. Perhaps there are people in the region that would want to pledge \$50,000 for a gallery in their name. The region might want to combine their contribution and do a Garden or Patio in the name of the Region. All pledges can be payable over five years and are totally tax deductible. A pledge card is included on page 6 of this issue of the *Confab*.

Joanne Lower would like your ideas and thoughts on how we can meet this challenge and realize our dream of a Lincoln Museum preserving the Legacy of the Lincolns that we all love and enjoy. She can be contacted as Joanne Lower, LCOC Museum Funding Coordinator. cell 314 409 4892 email jjlower@usmo.com

*Ford has also donated
this 1936 Lincoln-Zephyr
Coupe Sedan to the Foundation.
It is the former Roy Thorson car.*



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director's message

The holidays are over and the rain has started. Nancy and I attended the meeting of our Western National Meet (WNM) committees on Jan. 16. at the Sagebrush Cantina in Calabasas, California. Approximately 20 members attended. Our hosts Den & Jan Fenske laid out our game plan for the Meet. All committee members are aware of their responsibilities and we are looking forward to a fantastic WNM.

I received a phone call from Baron Knight our LCOC member and liaison with the Fabulous Fords Show. This year the show takes place on Sunday April 25. The show plans to salute 70 years of Lincoln Continental, so, our cars will be featured. I hope we have a large turnout and we will do brunch (great!) at Knott's.

Lastly, on Jan 20 Nancy and I flew to Orlando, Florida to attend the LCOC National Board of Director's meeting. Bruce and Helen Hutchinson also were in attendance. It was a pleasure to meet members from all over the U.S. and make new friends. I came away from this meeting with a new appreciation of our National Board. Bruce and I will give details at our Annual Board Meeting in Bakersfield on Feb. 27, 2010.

This is the time of year to get those beautiful Lincolns and Continentals ready for the summer. Drive safely and I hope to see all of you soon.

Continentially yours, Norm

Fabulous Fords Forever April 25

This year, the event will feature 70 years of the Lincoln Continental. Selected Continental's will be displayed in the grass area in the rear of the park. On the field, all other cars will be displayed in groups by their brand. It is a great opportunity to roam around and see the largest array of Ford Motor Company brands in one place you have ever seen. Traditionally, those displaying Lincolns gather for Brunch as a group around 9:30 a.m. More on this in the next issue. If you did not get a flyer in the mail, phone (626) 914-3738 for registration information. The entry fee is \$30.00 for the day and entry ceases promptly at 10:00 a.m. More specifics in the March edition, however call the above number or Tom McCarthy regarding Lincoln activities at the show. Call (951) 723-8946

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Coming Events

All California

Saturday-Sunday,
February 26-27
Kick-off Dinner
and Board Meeting
Bakersfield, CA
(other events to be
decided at this
board meeting)

Sunday, April 25
Fabulous Fords Forever
Knotts Berry Farm
Buena Park, CA

May 19-22
2010 Western
National Meet
Ventura Harbor, CA

Visit us on the
World Wide Web Region:
www.LCOC Western.org
National:
www.lcoc.org

Can You Get With The Theme?



This May's Western National Meet in Ventura will have the perfect nautical background for highlighting the beauty and style of our classic Lincolns. This environment has inspired the planning committee to encourage all who attend to get fully get into this nautical theme by dressing as natives of the sea and shore. While nautical dress is clearly optional, the committee has gotten excited enough to ask Karen and Larry Frazier to identify the most fitting nautically-themed attire and ensure that those contributing to "this spirit" are recognized. So.....plan ahead and be ready to set the seaside fashion world on its sail!! Keep reading your Monthly Confab for more details.

Welcome New Members

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Annual Kickoff Banquet Saturday, Feb. 27 "Back to Bakersfield"

The holidays, the Super Bowl and Lincoln's birthday are behind us, and speaking of Lincolns the LCOC's Western Region Kickoff Banquet will held in beautiful Bakersfield on Saturday, February 27, 2010. The venue is the elegant Doubletree Hotel (take highway 99 exit at route 58, the Rosedale Highway, go west less than a block and the Doubletree is on your left). The social hour is at six p.m. with the banquet following at seven. See the flyer and registration form in this issue of the *Confab*.

Think about making a weekend of it and come Friday for an evening of live music and dinner at Buck Owens Crystal Palace, just a few blocks from the Doubletree. Please let Marv or Jan know if you are attending so that we

can make sure we all party together. Rooms are available at the Doubletree on Friday as well at the \$79 rate.

And don't forget the first Western Region Board Meeting of 2010, also at the Doubletree at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday.

Deadline for the banquet and hotel reservations is February 12. Make your room reservations with the Doubletree at 1-800-446-6677 or 661-323-7111 and be sure to mention LCOC for the \$79 room rate.

So make that scenic drive to Bakersfield and join your Lincoln and Continental friends for an evening or a day or two of Lincoln Continental camaraderie and the first of many fun events on tap for Lincoln enthusiasts in 2010!

SEE BAKERSFIELD BOARD MEETING RESERVATIONS ORDER FORM AT THE VERY END OF THIS E-MAILING AFTER PAGE 8

Three Months and Counting: *Lincolns at the Harbor* Ventura, California, May 19-22, 2010



*Den and Jan Fenske, Co-hosts for the
2010 Western National Meet.*

For Den and Jan Fenske, work on the 2010 LCOC Western National Meet in Ventura, California started almost a year ago, and it was clear at the first formal assembly of the Meet Committee in January that their groundwork completed during this year is paying off!

At this first meeting at the Sagebrush Cantina in Calabasas, California on Saturday, January 16 the large and energized Meet Committee that was assembled during the summer of 2009 proved to be well on its way to making this event the best National Meet ever.

The turnout was fantastic and the enthusiasm was high as all committee members gathered for lunch and mutual updates regarding the planning progress made to date. Den Fenske kicked off the discussion with a review of the key events planned from the Wednesday, May 19 arrival date until the Sunday, May 23 day of departure. Den's comprehensive overview was followed by detailed reports from each of the committee chairs who covered the key elements of their responsibility.

Bruce and Helen Hutchinson have joined Den and Jan Fenske to co-host the Meet and help with planning meetings, plaques, and raffle basket coordination. Marv Wendt and Jan McNiel are serving as Meet registrars, and are handling all of the reservations for both club members and cars. Regional Director Norm Hoskins and his wife Nancy are managing meet packet and "goodie bag" distribution, while name tags are being created by Mike and Janet Gribble. Carol Reniger is serving as auction promoter and, with the help of her husband, Hal, has been busy soliciting donations, raffle prizes, car items, and contents for the "goodie bags". Our other major fund raising element of the meet, raffle ticket sales, will be coordinated by our "in house raffle pros" Karen and Larry Frazier. Karen and Larry will also serve as fashion judges for the lively nautical dress competition that is encouraged during the meet.

Once the Meet begins, attendees will benefit from the work of Mike Cunningham who is coordinating operation of the hospitality suite that will be available Wednesday through Saturday. The ever popular Friday evening auction conducted by Randy Mytar is being coordinated by Bob Reed and George Walker.

All of the auction proceeds will be collected and tracked by our auction veteran, Shirley Richards. On Friday, the mechanical judging team will be coordinated by George Richards who will receive significant support from Hal Reniger, Bob Reed, and George Walker. George Richards will also coordinate with the national judges. All judging scores during the Meet will be tabulated by the team of Karen Reed, Kerry Roscoe, and Gail Walker.

Finally, Stacy Roscoe is capturing all of the work and excitement in print for the *Confab* and *Lincoln and Continental Comments* so that you will know what a great time to expect, and will know who to thank for it all!

So, what can you expect to find when you arrive?

4 First of all, Den Fenske has made it very clear that this Meet will be a top notch, first class event while at the same time being sensitive to the challenges we all have felt coming out of this last year of financial hardship throughout the country. Our cost control efforts start with the ocean view rooms at the Holiday Inn Express that come with a complementary full breakfast for only \$119 per night and carry through with our 30 mile Thursday driving tour that visits two museums for only \$20 per person. Lunch at the Camarillo Airport Cafe, right down the street from the airport museum, and dinner at Milano's Italian Restaurant at Ventura Harbor on Thursday are set up as "on your own" events.

*Bruce and Helen Hutchinson,
Co-hosts for the
2010 Western National Meet.*





Lincolns at the 2008 Western National Meet in Irvine.

On Friday, mechanical judging is scheduled for the morning, and the afternoon is reserved for car cleaning in preparation for the Saturday show or for just relaxing in the wonderful surroundings of the harbor and nearby downtown Ventura. Friday night brings us to the El Grande Buffet at the hotel with the highly anticipated auction. By the way, if you have any spare parts that could be donated for auctioning (and who doesn't have spare parts?), please contact Carol Reniger (805 583-0219 / basket.maven@usa.net) to get them put to profitable use by our club.

Saturday is show day to be followed by an elegant "black and white" awards dinner (how elegant?.....Den is wearing his tux!). This will be a fitting celebration to close out a fantastic weekend.

Sunday will bring pictures of the award winning cars and their owners before we all say goodbye knowing that we have renewed great friendships and seen some of the most beautiful Lincolns on the planet.

"Packets are ready !" Contact Den Fenske (denandjan10@hotmail.com) or go to the international LCOC website (www.LCOC.org). The direct link for the entire packet on the LCOC website is: http://lcoc.org/documents/Meets/2010_WNM_Registration.pdf.

Stay tuned to future "Confab" editions for more details as Meet time gets closer.
Marv Wendt



2010 Western National Meet Planning Committee at the January 16 first gathering.

Western National Meet Committee Meeting May 15

A second meeting of the Western National Meet Committee will be held on Saturday, May 15 at the home of Den and Jan Fenske at 2117 Ocean Drive, Silverstrand Beach, Channel Islands, California. This will be a "bag stuffing party". Take the Victoria Avenue off ramp and go south on Victoria, seven miles to the beach front street of Ocean Drive. Bring

cash for a sandwich lunch to be provided. We will fill bags with lists, schedules, coupons, brochures, and complimentary goodies. Our Meet will start the next Wednesday evening.

For further information contact Den and Jan Fenske at (805) 985-8721 or cell phone (818) 383-8224 or e-mail: demand_jan10@hotmail.com.

National Board Meeting, Orlando, Florida, January 23

The 2010 Winter Board Meeting of the Lincoln and Continental Owners Club was held January 23 at the Airport Holiday Inn in Orlando, Florida. The bad news is declining membership which has been continuing for several years and saw a loss of 193 members in 2009. The good news is that a \$15,000 loss to the club in 2008 was stemmed in 2009 primarily by cost trimming measures in publications and trophies without noticable differences to the membership. The Reno meet sponsored by National made a \$6,000 profit. Charlie Blais saved the club several thousand dollars by volunteering to move club projects, including back issues of *Comments*, from Illinois to Massachusetts.

All 2010 and 2011 National Meets and two of the three 2012 National Meets are now in place. Regions putting on National Meets will be given \$500 in seed money. E-mail will now be the official correspondence of LCOC Officers and Directors. The Lincoln Foundation Museum Funding Program was discussed in great detail and is presented to members on the first page of this issue of the *Confab*. Two Director's seats will be available for 2010 elections. John Malta has resigned as head of Judging Standards due to health and has been replaced by Steve D'Ambrosia. Several changes in Judging Standards will be covered in *Lincoln and Continental Comments*. The next Winter Board Meeting will be held in late January, 2011 in New Orleans.

Exhibition Class

The entry fee for cars in the Exhibition Class at LCOC National Meets has been reduced from \$35 to \$20 which should make it more attractive to exhibit Lincolns at the Western National Meet in Ventura in May. \$10 of this fee now goes to the region. All Lincolns and Continentals 10 years old and older are eligible for this class where they are put on the field for display but are not judged.

Lincoln Motor Car Museum Pledge Card

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Recognition _____

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_____ **Exterior Stone Benches** \$10,000 _____ **Patios** \$25,000
_____ **Exhibits** \$25,000 _____ **Galleries** \$50,000

Please make checks payable to the Lincoln Motor Car Foundation and mail to:
Jack Shea, Treasurer, Lincoln Motor Car Foundation, 5022 Harbortown Lane,
Fort Myers, FL 33919-4651

Ruth Boruck

Long-time LCOC Western Region member Ruth Boruck passed away on January 4, 2010 from natural causes. She was born May 24, 1920 in Ceres California. She is survived by her son Richard Anderson of Idaho from her first marriage. Her second marriage was to the late Robert Boruck. The Borucks lived in Alameda and were very active as the LCOC Bay

Area activities directors in the 1980s. After Bob's passing, Ruth continued to participate with "The Gray Lady", her all original, low mileage 1954 Lincoln Capri sedan. That car is now in the good hands of a Bay Area collector.

Services were held for Ruth on January 9 in Alameda. Ruth will rest in peace at the Patterson Cemetery.

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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 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. Meet packets are now available. We will try our best to make this an affordable event, so make your plans to see the California Harbor Show on May 19-22.

See you there! Den and Jan Fenske,
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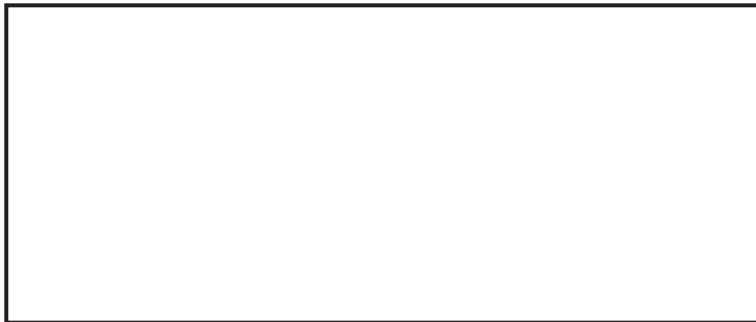
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Lincoln Continental Mark IV '73-'75 black dash excellent condition-\$200; black door pannels-\$100 each; plus shipping. John Walcek 714-528-1860, email john.walcek@earthlink.net"

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TO AN IMPORTANT MEMBER



Back to Bakersfield!

Annual Kick-Off Banquet

February 27, 2010

Social hour: 6:00 PM
Dinner: 7:00 PM
Board Meeting: 1-5 PM

Doubletree Hotel Bakersfield
3100 Camino Del Rio Court
Bakersfield, California

Banquet: \$40 for your choice of Char-Broiled Tri-Tip, Chicken Cordon Bleu or Eggplant Parmesan.

Hotel Accomodations: Room rates at the Doubletree will be \$79 per night (both Friday and Saturday).
Make your reservations directly with the hotel and use code: LCOC.
The number is 1-800-446-6677 or 661.323.7111.
Deadline for reservations is Friday, February 12.

Board Meeting: The semi-annual Board Meeting will be at the Doubletree from 1 – 5 (no lunch). All members are encouraged to come and participate at this meeting.

Any Questions? Call Marv Wendt or Jan McNiel at 760.375.5337
Or email us at marvnjan@iwvisp.com

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