



Getting Ready for the Thursday Morning Tour at the at the Four Points by Sheraton.

A big Thank You from Den and Jan Fenske

As I had just finished printing up some of the directions, maps, and schedules that Jan McNiel had given me for final counts, I had to attend a Doctors' conference with my family. I had already received the bad medical news, but was looking for something good. The conference produced a consensus that I would have surgery on May 14. Period! I exclaimed, "I can't do that, I have a Meet to put on!" But alas, I lost the argument, for I was about to miss my first Western National Meet since we joined LCOC in 1979.

My first thought was...what about the stuffing party? We have in our midst two unfailing dedicated couples in Bruce and Helen Hutchinson and George and Shirley Richards. They met with Jan and I that same day and told us immediately, "We'll take over...you have nothing to worry about." They were so right. So, thanks again, that's what friends do! They were so good to us...being at the hospital and keeping us informed on

all aspects of the meet.

Carol Parker filmed the car show on her Ipod and we saw you all "live" on Banquet Night on her Ipod that she lent us. Your phone call to me from Bruce Hutchinson and LCOC President Glenn Kramer was so special on Banquet Night. I knew it must have been a conference call, as I heard the laughing response to my answering Bruce's call as "Hi Brucy Baby!"

How exciting that all was for me. It

brought me some real pleasure when I needed it. Thanks again. After the meet Bruce and Helen brought me a super-big Mickey Mouse Get Well Card. As I opened it, I was overwhelmed emotionally as I started to read two full pages of well wishers. I am still reading them as it is a source of strength to know how much you all care. And many thanks to our Lincoln friends, outside the Committee, who have expressed their love and prayers to us.

Marv Wendt and Jan McNiel kept you all on track as our Registrars with all the numbers, and when I saw what they had done, by their request, they finished the treasurer's job that I had started. Their numbers and final tallies will surprise the heck out of everybody on how well this Meet did, especially when one considers the economy and the lower attendance. You both did a fantastic job. How proud Jan and I are for all your work.

Carol Reniger told me she was a professional when I called and asked her to be in charge of donations. I knew then that I had made the right choice. Carol and her husband Hal had the "thankless" job of calling a bunch of names "cold turkey" to get people to contribute.

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*At the World War II
Aviation Museum*



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director's message

Wow! It can get hot in Fallbrook. Nancy and I are looking forward to hosting the "wine tour" in Temecula on August 21, 2010. As previously mentioned, we will meet between 9:00 and 9:30 a.m. in the parking lot of



Marie Calendar's restaurant on the corner of Rancho Calif. Rd. and Ynez Rd. We will depart at 10:00 a.m. for the wineries.

It will be warm so be prepared. If you like you can bring a picnic. Please RSVP ahead of time so we have a rough idea of how many will attend. My home phone is (760) 990-4702. Hope to see you and your Lincolns there.

Please drive your Lincolns. The roads are easy, flat, etc. Most wine tastings are \$10 - \$12 per winery. Take I-15 South to the Rancho California off-ramp, turn left to the meeting spot.

Continently yours, *Norm and Nancy*

Since we had so many photos from the Western National Meet in Ventura we thought that members would enjoy seeing more of them printed in this issue of *the Confab*.

A full report on the meet with a complete story, many more photos, and all the winners with their trophies

at the banquet and with their cars Sunday morning, watch for the complete 2010 Western National Meet story in the November-December issue of *Lincoln and Continental Comments*.

Tim Howley

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August 21

Temecula Wine Country Tour
RSVP Norm Hoskins
(760) 990-4762

Northern California

July 24

Annual Wine Country Picnic.
12:00pm.

Blackstone Winery. 8450
Sonoma Hwy, Kenwood, CA
95452

September 4,
Western Railway Museum.
11:00am.

5848 State Hwy 12,
Suisun City, CA 94585

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All California

November 13

Board of Directors Meeting
Temecula, CA
Details to come

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*Photos in this issue
by Tim Howley.*

Join a Day of Wine and Song on our Temecula Wine Tour Saturday, August 21

You are invited to join the Western Region tour of the wineries of the Temecula Valley. We will drive through beautiful Southern California countryside south of Lake Elsinore where you will find hundreds of award-winning wines offered by over 30 wineries. The Temecula Valley is a veritable paradise encompassing an area that includes over 35,000 acres of rolling hills and vineyards. These wineries are centrally located and within an hour's drive from San Diego, Orange County, and the Palm Springs area. The wineries are less than two hours from most points in Los Angeles.

The rolling hills, fields of vineyards, and the beauty of Mount Palomar in the distance create the perfect surroundings to enhance a California wine tour. The wineries in Temecula are worth exploring. The beautiful grounds, gift shops, restaurants, and exhibits make your experience even more pleasurable.

This is a fun place to visit with golf courses, lakes, hot air balloons, and the historic buildings of Old Town Temecula to explore. Stroll the wooden boardwalk to browse the interesting shops or enjoy a ride in a horse drawn carriage.

While visiting the Temecula Valley Wine Country you can avail yourself to a vast array of winery restaurants, and intimate bed and breakfast inns, should you decide to stay overnight. This has long been an area popular with car clubs for tours and shows.

Our winery tour will be held on Saturday, August 21. We will meet between 9 and 9:30 am. in the parking lot of Marie Callendar's Restaurant on the Southwest corner of Rancho California and Ynez St. in Temecula. We will be leaving our meeting spot at 10 a.m. Our caravan will tour into the Temecula wine county and stop at several wineries. Tasting and lunch is on your own or you can bring a picnic basket.

If you are planning to sample the wines at all of the wineries please have a designated driver. Most wine tastings are \$10 - \$12 per winery.

To get to our gathering spot take I-15 South to the Rancho California off-ramp, turn left to meeting spot. If you are coming down from Los Angeles you will want to take the 10, 60, or 91 to I-15. For further details and for a car count call Norm Hoskins at (760) 990-4702.



*The field at the Holiday Inn Express
mid day Saturday.*



Thursday morning at the WW II Aviation Museum.



Bob Reed and Norm Hoskins with the get well card for Den.



*Left,
inspecting the generous supply
of auction items.*

*Right,
Dave Huhn won the motorized scooter.
How's he going to
ride it with
that broken arm?*



*Left,
auctioning off
Den's painting of
a 1941 Lincoln
Continental
at Pearl Harbor.*

*Right, Shirley and
George Richards
with their motor
home which was
the tabulating
room.*



*Left,
raffle ticket
entertainment.*

*Right, Meet
Co Host
Bruce
Hutchinson.*





John Walcek photographing the Elliston Bell winners Stacy and Kerry Roscoe and their 1958 Continental Mark III Convertible Sunday morning.

(A Big Thank You from Den and Jan Fenske Continued)

Well, our members showed me how well they did...our Region is so lucky to have their talents...how good they were!!!

Stacy Roscoe e-mailed me weekly as he planned to write the *Confab* stories to promote the Meet. He was so good after I read his first paragraph. I told him, "just do it!" Kerry never failed to contribute her help and talent. Now that the Club has awarded them the coveted Elliston Bell Trophy (much deserved, by the way), do they know what future Club services they would be expected to perform? (Just kidding, folks.)

In addition to Bruce and Helen's tremendous support to be responsible for everything, George and Shirley Richards played a huge role too. George handled the Mechanical Judging and the Richards drove their motor home up for the tabulations. Shirley had a bad fall on Thursday night and spent the entire next day in the dentist's chair with Karen Reed's help and support. Yet Shirley dressed nautical and won the Region's Award and made sure the Auction went off without a hitch. Wow, what dedication!

Remember all the times you've entered the Awards Banquet night and have seen all those rows of gleaming silver trophies lining the walls and so perfectly displayed? You were wondering if one was saved for you? Well, those trophies don't get that way without a lot of planning, unpacking, and shining. Tom McCarthy has done this for years in a splendid way and has received our Region Appreciation Award. Now with all the help from Jim Ayers we know the future work won't be so over-

whelming. Thanks guys!!

How about the Hospitality Room that was so enthusiastically stocked and run by our wonderful "in house comedian" Mike Cunningham? I understand it was a great "Party Room". Did everyone get enough to drink?

Then we had two special members who always come from Utah. Bill and Maxine Wood. Bill worked all day setting up the Auction and Banquet rooms and helped with the

trophies. Then there was Maxine with her Lincoln quilts that she's made for all the auctions. This year's design included many members' cars printed on fabric and included in the quilt. It was spectacular. Her quilts have brought top dollar at our auctions for years. Thank you Maxine!

It would be impossible to mention and thank everyone, but it's about 30 odd people who graced the back of our Banquet Program. They executed this meet and are totally responsible for its success...and these people really had a success!

I heard through the grapevine that many felt they had the most fun ever at this meet. If they did, then our committee really did its job.

Words could never express how grateful Jan and I are for all your love, caring, and prayers. God Bless You.

Den and Jan Fenske.

(Below, Fenskes with their 1941 Lincoln Continental Cabriolet. Far below, Shubb's 1952 Lincoln Convertible.)





*Norm and Nancy Hoskins 1956 Mark II
and Bob and Nancy Ratinoff's 1956 Mark II.*



*The Sixties Convertibles left to right are, Unidentified 1963,
Widener's 1964, and Hunt's 1964.*



*Bob and Joan MacDougal's
1969 Lehmann-Peterson Limousine
with the Sixties Convertibles.*



*Above right,
some of the
Forties Cars.*



*Right,
the Mark VIIs.*

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Western Region National Meet Review

by Marv Wendt and Jan McNiel

On Sunday, July 27, 2010 members of the 2010 Western National Meet Committee met to review the meet and discuss what improvements could be made, if any, for future meets, either sponsored by the Western Region, or any other LCOC region. Committee members attending included: Hosts Hal and Carol Reniger, Stacy Roscoe, Den and Jan Fenske, Bruce and Helen Hutchinson, George and Shirley Richards, Jan McNiel, Marv Wendt and Karen Reed. Bob Reed attended later in the meeting.

It was agreed that the meet location was ideal with reasonable room rates and easy freeway access. Some concerns were expressed that the banquet rooms/hospitality suite were too distant from hotel rooms. The museums' tour was well received. Comments were made that a return to this venue would be agreeable. Having breakfast included, especially when the venue is not close to restaurants, was appreciated.

Seventeen per cent of registrations were received after the stated deadline. This creates banquet meal and trophy issues. Registrations and meal orders were being received as late as Saturday, before the awards banquet. Solutions to this problem might be the positive incentive of a "discount" for early registration and a negative incentive of a surcharge on events/meals for late registrations.

Registrars should have blank regis-

as to locations of meet events (hospitality suite, breakfast room, registration desk), could be included.

It was agreed that the Hospitality Suite was a hit and was the best place to meet new friends. Donated refreshments helped defray costs.

There was much confusion on the night of the banquet because of late registrations. There were kudos to the hotel staff for being flexible and assisting in adding tables and place settings.

Uniformity should be the rule when selling raffle/50-50 tickets. Some attendees were somewhat offended at "estimates" (an arms-length of tickets) being sold for \$20.00 rather than a dollar per ticket were observed.

Donated items should have descriptions as to what they are and should be "b u n d l e d" together, if appropriate. Donated items should be "pitched" by the people who donated the item, essentially having multiple auctioneers (or auctioneers assistants).

The price of the auction night buffet was extremely high.

tration forms available at the meet for tardy registrants and envelopes for taking and categorizing cash. Late registrants should not be discouraged from attending. Registrations via e-mail versus regular mail would be a useful statistic.

A list of attendees and their cars should be included in the registration packet, along with a page of "tips to make your meet more enjoyable." Instructions

One-third less attendees came to the Friday night event, versus the Saturday awards banquet. Meal costs are not always negotiable, but this should remain a consideration.

We have not always been sufficiently thankful to vendors who donate cash and items for the event. A "free" mention in the *Confab* and *Comments* as well as letter of appreciation should be the rule.

The show field needs to be set up and secured well prior to Saturday's judging. This prevents needless movement of cars on Saturday.

Applications for membership to both National and Regional Organizations as well as club advertising, information on future events, etc. should be available for spectators and potential members on the show field.

The logistics of getting the trophies to the awards banquet are exceedingly complex, requiring the efforts of many members. This is another area, where late registrations complicate the process. Needless expense for extra, unused wooden plaques/dash plaques can also be avoided with timely registration.

In conclusion, this was a successful, profitable meet. There exists a core of Western Region members who can be counted upon to volunteer considerable time and effort to insure that everyone attending leaves with good feelings about the meet and the host region.

Above left and below, Friday night Auction.



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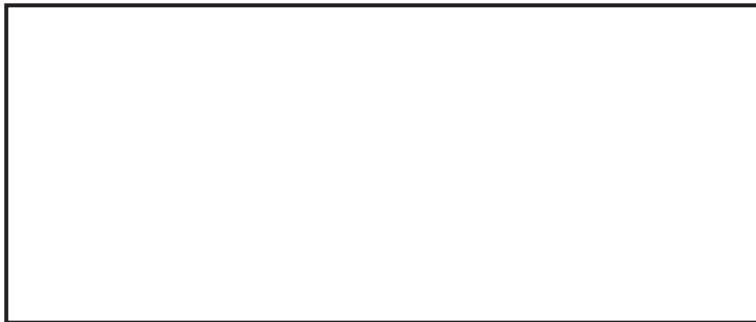
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1987 Lincoln Town Car. One-owner (garaged). Original Silver with gray leather interior, original pin striping, Landau top (excellent condition). Serviced regularly and stored in garage, no dents and never wrecked! Current smog, clean registration. 159,000 original miles, VIN:1LNBM81F8JY612248. Minimum bid \$2,800. Inspection by appointment in Coalinga, CA. Contact: Dan Hernandez Ph: 831/917-0907

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