

# 2014 Central National Meet • Springfield, Illinois

August 19–22, 2014

## Tentative Schedule of Events

Monday, August 18	5:00 pm – 9:00 pm 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm*	Early Registration Open, Raffle Room Open Operational Check (*or until dark)
Tuesday, August 19	7:00 am 8:00 am – 4:00 pm 9:00 am – 5:00 pm 8:45 am – Noon 12:30 pm – 4:30 pm 12:45 pm – 3:00 pm 6:00 pm	Vehicle Cleanup Area Open Swap Meet Registration Desk, Raffle Room, Operational Check Open Tour Lincoln Presidential Museum Bus Tour – Lincoln Sites Tour Lincoln Presidential Museum (repeat of morning tour) Welcome Party, barbeque buffet
Wednesday, August 20	7:00 am 8:00 am – 4:00 pm 9:00 am – 5:00 pm 9:00 am – 4:00 pm 8:30 am – 4:30 pm 8:45 am – Noon 9:00 am – 11:30 am 9:45 am – 12:15 pm 12:30 pm – 2:30 pm 2:30 pm – 3:00 pm 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm  6:00 pm – 9:00 pm 7:00 pm	Vehicle Cleanup Area Open Swap Meet Registration Desk, Raffle Room Operational Check Open (Closes for Owners/Judges Meeting) Bus Tour – Lincoln Sites (repeat of Tuesday tour) Tour Lincoln Presidential Museum (repeat of Tuesday tour) Bus Tour – Dana Thomas House Bus Tour – Dana Thomas House (repeat) Seminars Early Ford V-8 Foundation Meeting Meet the National President Owners/Judges Meeting (Note: Attendance is mandatory if you are displaying a vehicle on the concourse or if you are judging) Cruise-In, Quaker Steak & Lube Presentation of 75 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Certificates/Medallions to all members with 1939 Vehicles Registered
Thursday, August 21	7:00 am 7:00 am 8:00 am – 9:00 am 8:00 am – Noon 8:00 am – 4:00 pm 9:00 am – 3:00 pm 10:30 am – 2:00 pm 3:30 pm – 4:30 pm 4:00 pm – 5:30 pm Evening	Concourse open for parking; Vehicle Cleanup Area open Judges Breakfast Registration Desk Open (Operational Check as Needed) Raffle Room Open Swap Meet Concourse/Judging Ladies luncheon Historical President Lincoln presentation Pick up Your Choice Raffle prizes Dinner on your own
Friday, August 22	9:00 am  2:00 pm – 5:30 pm 5:00 pm 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm 7:00 pm	Historic Route 66 driving tour – followed by picnic at Lake Springfield  Pick up Your Choice Raffle prizes Cocktail Hour – Cash Bar Awards Banquet Awards/Presentations

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## Hotel and Meal Information

Early Ford V-8 vehicle parking, the Thursday Concourse, and many meet events will be held at the meet hotel, the Crowne Plaza, conveniently located near the Stevenson Drive exit (Exit 94) on I-55. Participants bringing pets are invited to stay at the adjacent Holiday Inn Express. This Holiday Inn Express will also serve as our overflow hotel if rooms are no longer available at the Crowne Plaza. Please note that the hotel incentives shown in the cover letter are available only for participants staying at the Crowne Plaza.

Members of the IHG Rewards Program (formerly Priority Club) receive free Internet access at member hotels, including the Crowne Plaza (a savings of \$9.95 per day) and the Holiday Inn Express. Membership is free; pick up a form at any IHG hotel or join on-line at <http://www.ihg.com/rewardsclub/us/en/home>. Be sure to provide the hotel your rewards program membership number when making your reservation or when checking in.

**Important Note:** Below are descriptions of planned meals and food available during the Meet. If you have any special dietary needs that prevent you from consuming the foods listed, please note this in the spaces provided on the Meet Registration Form. We will work with the hotel and the caterer to accommodate your needs.

### Welcome Reception

The Tuesday evening Welcome Reception will feature a barbeque buffet in the Crowne Plaza ballroom. The meal will include BBQ beef brisket, BBQ chicken, potato salad, creamy coleslaw, macaroni and cheese, corn bread muffins, corn on the cob, and cherry cobbler. There will be a cash bar.

### Ladies Luncheon

On concourse day, our Ladies Luncheon will be held in the beautiful Crowne Plaza ballroom where attendees will see an enjoyable presentation by First Lady Mary Todd Lincoln. The luncheon will feature a choice of grilled pomegranate chicken breast finished with a light champagne sauce and wild rice pilaf and green beans or pasta primavera with linguini topped with seasonal vegetable in alfredo sauce. Carrot cake will be served for dessert. Both before and after the luncheon, participants should have time to see vehicles on the concourse, which will be held on the expansive parking lot right in front of the hotel.

### Concourse

Food will be available for purchase on the concourse. The hotel will be grilling items such as burgers, hot dogs, and brats. A restaurant is available in the hotel and several additional restaurants are within walking distance.

### Friday Driving Tour and Lunch

Our Friday driving tour will end at the Beach House at Lake Springfield where participants will be served a catered lunch. The lunch buffet will consist of a barbeque pulled pork sandwich, cole slaw, baked beans, red skin potato salad, cookie, and iced tea, lemonade, or water. Participants may choose to skip the driving tour, but still sign up for this event and attend the lunch at the Beach House.

### Awards Banquet

The Friday night awards banquet begins with a cocktail hour (cash bar) followed by a plated meal in the ballroom. Meal choices are a 7-oz. bacon-wrapped pork medallion served with a mustard tarragon sauce, gouda mashed potatoes and vegetable; chicken breast stuffed with boursin cheese topped with a pinot grigio sauce, gouda mashed potatoes and vegetable; or Alaskan salmon served with a lemon dill beurre blanc sauce, wild rice pilaf and vegetable. All meals begin with a Caesar salad and are topped off with a white chocolate raspberry cheesecake.

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### Meet Merchandise

Note: To ensure you receive the Meet merchandise that you want, we recommend that you pre-order with your registration. You will receive the items you pre-ordered upon Meet check-in. Limited quantities of Meet clothing will be available on site at the Meet.

#### T-Shirts

Meet t-shirts are white with a stylized V-8 on the front and the Meet logo on the back. They are offered in both a men's cut and a ladies' cut and are heavyweight 100% cotton.

#### Polo Shirts

Meet polo shirts are in a men's style and are stone (beige) in color with the meet logo embroidered on the left chest. Available with or without pocket. This is a very nice quality 100% cotton shirt.

#### Denim Shirts

Meet denim shirts are also in a men's style and are blue in color, short-sleeved, with the meet logo embroidered over the pocket.

#### Caps

Meet caps are a structured baseball-style cap, Navy blue in color, with the meet logo embroidered on the front, "2014 Central National Meet" embroidered on the back arch and "Springfield, IL" embroidered on the Velcro strap.

#### Hat Pin

This is a 1" diameter collectible hat pin with the Meet logo, shown actual size below.



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#### Gearshift Knobs

The Central National Meet will feature two 1939 Ford-style gearshift knobs generously provided by Dennis Carpenter. The first knob commemorates the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the 1939 New York World's Fair – see ad below. The second knob is similar, but features the Meet logo as the center insert.

#### Bottle Stoppers

This unique item is a must have for wine lovers. It features a custom-made stainless steel wine stopper paired with the Meet gearshift knob. Of course, the stopper may be used with other bottles, such as olive oil. Additional stoppers without the gearshift knob are available that you can attach to existing Early Ford V-8 Club gearshift knobs in your collection.

**Gearshift Knob with Meet Logo**



**Bottle Stopper with Meet Logo**



**Bottle Stopper Alone**



EARLY FORD V-8 CLUB OF AMERICA

# Celebrate

*the 75th Anniversary of the 1939 Ford!*


Introducing the 2014 collectable shifter knob commemorating the 75th Anniversary of the 1939 Ford. These plastic injected knobs are reproductions of the originals and are capped with a chrome center medallion depicting Ford's "Highway Of The Future" that was displayed at the 1939 New York World's Fair. These collector knobs will be available at Early Ford V-8 meets throughout the year.

*Order your knob on page 2 of the registration form. Limited quantities will be available on site at the Meet.*

**\$20.00 each**

Add a 75th Anniversary of the 1939 Ford to your shifter knob collection today!

75th Anniversary of the 1939 Ford  
Commemorative Gear Shift Knobs provided by



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**Early Ford V-8 Club Logo Clock Raffle**

**Win this 20-inch Early Ford V-8 Club Neon Clock**



**\$300 Value!**

**This 20" Classic Neon Clock is  
Made in the USA**

- Diameter: 20"
- Depth: 5.25"
- Weight: 15 pounds
- Bezel: Spun aluminum with powder coated finish
- Glass: 5/32" thick single strength clear glass
- Neon Tube: 1/2" diameter glass tube
- Volts: 110 volt electric clock movement
- Smooth motion sweeping second hand

**Tickets are \$5 each or 3 for \$10**

**Drawing August 22 at the 2014 CNM Awards Banquet**

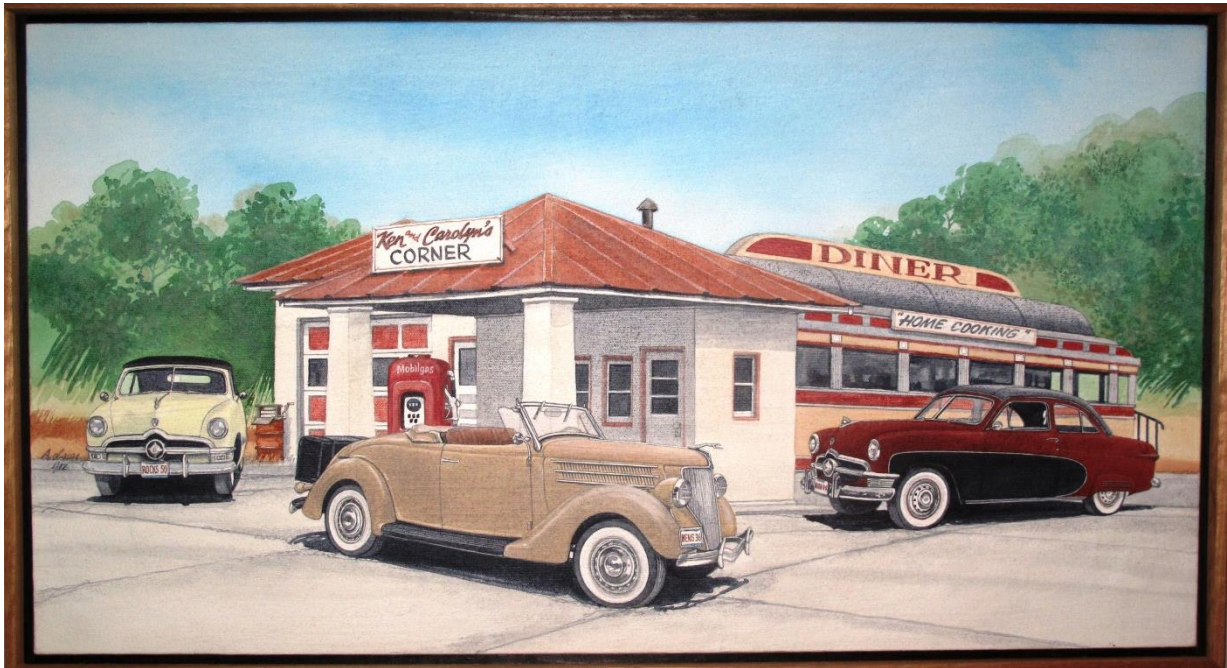
**Need not be present to win**



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**Original Artwork Raffle**

**Would You Like to Own a Stunning Original Work of Art  
Featuring Your Early V-8 Vehicle?**

**You can! One lucky winner will receive an original 16x30 acrylic painting, commissioned just for you by renowned automotive artist  
Arlen Olson**



**Actual example of custom work by Arlen Olson - will be on display at the Central National Meet**

One winning ticket will be drawn for this unique prize. Winner will be put in contact with Mr. Olson, who will create an original work of art depicting the winner's Early Ford V-8 vehicle(s). Limit of three vehicles. Time for completion of the painting will depend on the artist's schedule, but is expected to take no more than three months. Photographs of vehicles will be sent to Mr. Olson. Estimated value = \$400.

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### **Tours**

Springfield is steeped in history, particularly relating to Abraham Lincoln, our 16th President. Springfield is where Lincoln lived from 1844–1861, where he practiced law, where he was elected to congress and to the Presidency, and where his Presidential Library and Museum is located. Springfield is also the location of several Route 66 landmarks, such as the Cozy Dog Drive-In and Shea's Gas Station Museum. You will have the opportunity to visit several of these sites both on your own and as part of organized tours.

Many historic sites in Springfield are small and space on these tours is limited. Buses are being used on some of the tours because parking at sites other than the Lincoln Presidential Museum is extremely limited. Space on the tours will be assigned first come, first served, so please sign up early. We will make every effort to accommodate everyone and may contact you to determine if you are willing to switch to a different tour time. Bus tours are subject to cancellation if not enough participants sign up.

#### Lincoln Presidential Museum Tour

The Lincoln Presidential Museum, opened in 2005, is a "must see" destination. Participants on this tour will provide their own transportation to the museum, which is located just 5 miles from the Crowne Plaza. Cost for this tour includes admission to the museum; parking is not included. Parking for your Early V-8 or other vehicle is available in an enclosed garage across the street from the museum at a cost of \$1.50 per hour. We plan to travel to the museum in groups. This tour is available Tuesday morning, Tuesday afternoon, or Wednesday morning, so you can arrange it around your arrival time or other tours. You can stay as long as you like; suggested viewing time is 2½ - 3 hours.

#### Lincoln Sites Tour

This is a bus tour of three sites closely related to Lincoln: the Lincoln home, the only house he ever owned; Lincoln's tomb at Oak Ridge Cemetery; and the Old State Capitol where Lincoln tried cases before the Illinois Supreme Court and delivered his famous "House Divided" speech in 1858 when he began his campaign for the U.S. Senate. The Lincoln home tour lasts about one hour while the other two site tours last about 30 minutes. This tour will be offered Tuesday afternoon and Wednesday morning. If enough interest is shown, additional tours of the same three sites may be added at the same times, but with different routing.

#### Dana Thomas House

This is also a bus tour to the Frank Lloyd Wright designed Dana Thomas House. This house is one of the best preserved and most complete, including interior furnishings, of the Wright Prairie Style houses. Two tours are offered on Wednesday morning, each lasting about 1½ hours.

#### Route 66 Driving Tour

On Friday you can "Get Your Kicks on Route 66." A driving tour designed for our Early V-8s will leave from the Crowne Plaza. You will enjoy a laid back drive on Historic Route 66 as you head south crisscrossing various alignments of the original route and pavement. This tour of about 100 miles will take you through many old and interesting towns located along Historic Route 66 such as Divernon, Farmersville, Waggoner, Litchfield, Mt. Olive, and Girard just to name a few. Along the route, you will enjoy seeing a few of the classic roadside stops such as Art's Restaurant & Motel which still sports the old and original signage! The tour will end with a catered lunch at the Lake Springfield Beach House.

#### Touring on Your Own

In addition to these organized tours, representatives of the Springfield Convention and Tourism Bureau will be on hand to provide information about visiting other Springfield sites such as the Illinois State Capitol, the Lincoln-Herndon law office, Lincoln's New Salem, the Cozy Dog Drive In, Shea's Gas Station, and more.

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## **Meetings, Seminars, and More**

On Wednesday you will be offered a variety of meetings and seminars in the spacious activity rooms located close to the Meet registration desk.

### Early Ford V-8 Ignition Systems

Early Wednesday afternoon Jim Lindner of Bubba's Hot Rod Shop in Speedway, Indiana, will present an interesting seminar about Early Ford V-8 ignition systems. Bubba is well-known for his restoration and upgrade of Flathead Ford ignitions and for his no-charge repairs for competitors at the Newport Hill Climb. You don't want to miss this!

### Early Ford V-8 Foundation Presentation

At 2:30 you will have the opportunity to meet representatives of the Early Ford V-8 Foundation and Museum to learn about the status of the Foundation and on-going projects at the Auburn museum.

### Meet the National President

At 3:00, National President Steve Lemmons and members of the Board of Directors will give you the inside scoop on your club, the Early Ford V-8 Club of America. This is your opportunity to meet these folks in person and ask any questions you may have about the Club, Judging Standards, future activities and plans, etc.

### Owners/Judges Meeting

This meeting, hosted by the Meet Concourse Chairman and National Chief Judge John McBurney, begins at 4:00. Everyone is encouraged to attend this meeting. If you will be judging vehicles on the Concourse, your attendance is mandatory. Every participant who is showing a vehicle on the Concourse should attend to understand the judging process, Concourse procedure, and the plan for parking vehicles on the Concourse. This meeting will include a video presentation on the judging process and introduction of the judging teams.

### Wednesday Evening Cruise In

After the owners/judges meeting, everyone is invited to take their Early V-8s or other vehicle on a short 6-mile drive to a cruise-in at Quaker Steak and Lube. This restaurant has a great theme and food selections for everyone. There will be a special parking area reserved for our V-8s with a place of honor for all 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary 1939 vehicles. At 7:00 pm, National President Steve Lemmons will present a certificate and a limited-edition commemorative medallion to each owner who has registered a 1939 vehicle at the Meet.

### An Evening with Mr. & Mrs. Lincoln

At the conclusion of concourse judging on Thursday, everyone will be invited inside the Crowne Plaza to be treated to "An Evening with Mr. & Mrs. Lincoln." This one-hour presentation begins at 3:30 and provides a personal look at Mr. and Mrs. Lincoln at the White House, just before they leave for Ford's Theater.