

**The View from Behind the Wheel**

**By Ralph Spayd**

**Photos by Steve Dellinger**

We had a great meeting this month and went home to celebrate the Eagles as super bowl champs. Now I'm going out on a limb here as I write this Saturday night before both our meeting and the super bowl. Hope I'm right and I can retract my optimism next month if necessary....yikes! **[Editor's Note: The Eagles did win!]** This winter has actually been a real winter with cold temps, snow, sleet and tons of salt. Like you LBC needs an excuse to rust!! In spite of it all, we had a great CCC on February 1<sup>st</sup> and a pre meeting as the faithful had ice cream for breakfast prior to CCC. We held our board meeting to finalize our club calendar and think we're ready to post the events. We've added some new items to the docket this year. We'll be enjoying a "Full Monty" as the Bulls Head Restaurant call it on occasional Saturday mornings. You'll have to check out the details on their WEB; FYI - you should keep your clothes on! We've added the Dill Celtic Festival in April and will be having a covered bridge tour on May 3<sup>rd</sup> after CCC - note that both events on the 3<sup>rd</sup>. will be at the Wendy's on Prospect Road in Columbia. Our road trip dinner will be moving to McCleary's in Marietta on March 21<sup>st</sup>. Please RSVP to me by March 10<sup>th</sup> if you plan to attend. Pam is hosting our annual movie night on June 7<sup>th</sup> with a movie TBD. At the board meeting we discussed our committee structure for the coming year. We've added several new committees and will post them on our WEB site. Please take a moment to review the committees, find something you like and volunteer. We can use your help and ideas. If you have an idea for an event or road trip let me know. This is our club and works best when we all work together. The plan is to decentralize the work of the club as we transition and move forward. We've currently identified 14 "follow me" key events for the year and I'm sure we'll be adding more as the months unfold. It will be a busy year with something for everyone. You'll be hard pressed to find a reason not to drive you LBC. But remember, never miss an event because of your LBC. We're wayyyyy more interested in seeing you and enjoying our time together. The cars are great, but secondary to anything we do as a club. That's a good lead into my soapbox ramblings for the month. I would be hard pressed to number the good things or good people I've met through the LANCO MG Club, and it just continues on with meeting new friends. I find that "car people" are a unique breed. We share a common interest and passion for cars, but just as much for the people who drive them. What a truly wonderful combination as we share our stories, our joys, frustrations and knowledge we have collected. In a world that presents many challenges it's always refreshing for me to spend my time and be with my car family and friends

**Remember that the most valuable antiques are dear old friends.**

**[H. Jackson Brown, Jr.](#)**

Hummm, it seems appropriate for our car club. Stay safe and positive and remember to check out our web site at [www.lancomgclub.com](http://www.lancomgclub.com) and follow us on Facebook. Mark your calendars for the upcoming events.



**January Meeting 1**



**January Meeting 2**



**Wiring Issues??**



**Ice Cream at Oregon Dairy**



**MINIs Sandwich!**



**February Meeting 1**



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## **February Coffee – Cars and Conversation**

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**Photo by Gregg Swartley**

Saturday February 1<sup>st</sup>, we held our monthly CCC at McDonald's in Columbia. Actually, the event at 10 AM was the second event of the day. The first event was celebrated by a hard-core bunch of sugar addicts at Hinkle's Restaurant in Columbia to start the day off with the annual "Ice Cream for Breakfast" celebration. The breakfast crew arrived at McDonald's a tad bit chatty from their sugar high. Fortunately, no one ordered a milk shake to top it off. As winter has been testy this year, the day was very pleasant and our turnout was impressive. I'm guessing but think this is our 7<sup>th</sup> year of holding CCC's on the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday morning of the month. The event is just a lot of fun and we even find time to discuss British cars. The topics are many and varied with the really serious driving their LBCs to the event. If you haven't made it to CCC in the past, you're missing a rare opportunity to benefit from the collective wisdom of the club.... this month I think it was the wisdom of the 8:30 AM ice cream talking.....hey, whatever works!!



**National Ice Cream for Breakfast Day**