

Legacy Fair at Shawan Downs

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Every year in Hunt Valley a charity benefit is held for GBMC Health Care. The Classic Car Club of America (CCCA) is invited to bring several antique/classic cars for display while the horses run the Steeple Chase races.

This year, on September 29th, John and I were invited to join them with our 1941 Ford Tudor, but felt a bit out of place next to the other cars:

Eric & Pat van der Beemt's '32 Lincoln KB Phaeton

Dave & Carri Benson's '47 Lincoln Continental
Convertible and '36 Graham

Ruth Synodinos' '47 Cadillac

Ralph Stroud's '46 Cadillac Convertible

Eric van der Beemt's Lincoln was parked right next to our old Ford. He had had it trucked here from California and dumped onto his driveway, he said. He completely restored it, having to manufacture many of the wooden parts himself. All the chrome parts were completely rechromed (at a cost of approximately \$25,000) and he acquired an old black "trunk" (really a trunk) to ride on the rear. And, of course, refinished the entire interior and paint. It's a real beauty, and put our partially restored car to shame!

The field where we parked had not been mowed, and **Ruth Synodinos** didn't see a trench that had been dug—and her car got stuck in it! Her tires and wheels were no longer pristine, but rather covered with mud when she pulled onto the parking area.