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Lincoln Highway Centennial Tour coming in 2013

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This is a guest post by Jim Peters, Director-at-Large of the Lincoln Highway Association and coordinator of the Centennial Eastern Tour.

To celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Lincoln Highway in 2013, the Lincoln Highway Association is planning tours from both coasts along the early alignments of the Lincoln Highway. Many miles of the old roadway have not been swallowed up by the Interstates and still survive, running on two lanes in proximity to U.S. Routes 1, 30, 40 and 50, so the tours will provide a re-enactment of a trip across the U.S. in the 1940s and 50s.

The two tours will start on Saturday, June 22 from New York and San Francisco, and will meet in Kearney, Nebraska on Sunday, June 30. The Centennial Celebration from July 1 to July 4 will include a car show, the Association's annual conference, and local Independence Day celebrations. There will also be a re-creation of a tourist camp; participants with pre-1932 cars are invited to set up camp. If there is significant interest, the tours will continue to the East and West Coasts starting on July 5.

The tentative itineraries are below.

We also plan to allow participants to join and drop out of the tour at any point, with prior notification and registration.

If you would like to participate, or you belong to an organization that would be interested in participating, and would like to more information, please let me know at at.large.director.2@lincolnhighwayassoc.org.

Also, you can watch [this blog](#) or follow us on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) as we post more information on the tours as it becomes available.

2013 Lincoln Highway 100th Anniversary Tours

Proposed Itinerary of Tours to Kearney, Nebraska

Updated November 2010

East Tour — Total: 1544 miles

Friday, June 21

Evening Orientation Dinner in Secaucus, NJ

Saturday, June 22: 113 miles

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Times Square, New York City, NY to Malvern, PA
(Lunch stop in Princeton, NJ)

Sunday, June 23: 99 miles
Malvern, PA to Gettysburg, PA
(Lunch stop in Gettysburg, PA)

Monday, June 24: 145 miles
Gettysburg, PA to Greensburg, PA
(Lunch stop in Bedford, PA)

Tuesday, June 25: 196 miles
Greensburg, PA to Mansfield, OH
(Lunch stop in East Liverpool, OH)

Wednesday, June 26: 238 miles
Mansfield, OH to South Bend, IN
(Lunch stop in Ft. Wayne, IN)

Thursday, June 27: 203 miles
South Bend, IN to Dixon, IL
(Lunch stop in Plainfield, IL at intersection of Lincoln Highway and Route 66)
(Late afternoon stop at LH Tourism Headquarters in Franklin Grove, IL)

Friday, June 28: 224 miles
Dixon, IL to Ames, IA
(Lunch stop in Mt. Vernon, IA)

Saturday, June 29: 284 miles
(via 1928-1930 Route through Blair)
Ames, IA to Grand Island, NE
(Lunch stop in Woodbine, IA)

Sunday, June 30: 42 miles
Grand Island, NE to Kearney, NE

West Tour — Total 1663 miles
(or 1634 miles following 1928 Route from Ely, NV to Tooele, UT)

Saturday, June 22
Evening Orientation Dinner in San Francisco, CA (Holiday Inn at airport)

Sunday, June 23: 130 miles
Lincoln Park in San Francisco, CA to Sacramento, CA
(Lunch stop at Banta Inn, in Banta, CA)
(Dinner at Towe Auto Museum)

Monday, June 24: 210 miles
(via Lincoln Highway Sierra Nevada Northern Route)

Sacramento, CA to Fallon, NV
(Lunch stop at Donner Ski Ranch atop Donner Pass, CA)

Tuesday, June 25: 258 miles

Fallon, NV to the Hotel Nevada in Ely, NV
(Lunch stop in Austin, NV)

Wednesday, June 26

259 miles (via original 1913 Route)

Ely, NV to Tooele, UT
(Picnic stop at Fish Springs National Wildlife Preserve in Fish Springs, UT)

Alternate Wednesday Route for those not able to travel to Fish Springs:

230 miles (via later 1928 Route through Wendover)

Ely, NV to Tooele, UT
(Picnic stop at Bonneville Salt Flats Raceway at West Wendover, UT)

Thursday, June 27: 214 miles

Tooele, UT to Rock Springs, WY
(Lunch stop at Echo Lake, UT)

Friday, June 28: 275 miles

Rock Springs, WY to Cheyenne, WY
(Lunch stop at Virginian Hotel in Medicine Bow, WY)

Saturday, June 29: 282 miles

Cheyenne, WY to Lexington, NE
(Lunch stop at Julesburg, CO – short detour on to the Colorado Loop)

Sunday, June 30: 35 miles

Lexington, NE to Kearney, NE

Grand Total

3207 miles (or 3178 miles following 1928 Route from Ely, NV to Tooele, UT)

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Forrest Bone says:

May 26, 2011 at 8:11 am

The Tin Can Tourists a vintage trailer and motor coach club would like to take part in the Tour.

Would we be able to follow the basic tour utilizing some but not all of the stops?

I believe we could have a group traveling east to west as well as west to east.



Iowa artist Lincoln Highway Johnny Fitzsimmons says:

August 2, 2011 at 3:12 pm

II will leaving home town of Boone Iowa a few days early so I can stop in towns to do my road art I will be driving a 1930 model A roadster Highway truck and camping in a tent at night. More plans as time pushes on and with Gods help...

Artist

lincoln highway Johnny..



Bill McKibbon says:

October 25, 2011 at 3:50 pm

Will there be a tour driving the whole distance ?



Lincoln Highway Association says:

November 1, 2011 at 8:57 pm

A group of enthusiasts from Norway are planning such a tour:

[Enthusiasts from Norway plan for 2013 Lincoln Highway tour](#)



Craig Leach says:

December 16, 2011 at 11:23 am

I am very interested in attending as much of the tour as possible from east to west. I'm a member of the Tin Can Tourists and have been in contact with Forrest Bone about the centennial tour in 2013. I would like to start in New Jersey/New York with my 30 foot 1969 Newell motorhome. What kind of arrangements do I make to participate in the tour. Thank you, Craig



Lincoln Highway Association says:

December 17, 2011 at 10:54 am

Craig and Forrest: please contact Jim Peters directly to find out how you can participate in the tour. His e-mail address is in the blog post above.

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