

Beaver Tales



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Prez Comments:

I'm writing this letter from our return trip from Vette Fest in Boise, ID. Since we are sitting in line for road construction, I thought it would be a good time to start. We had 5 cars head over to Boise and we had a blast.

A Lebanon Dentist has donated a 2003 50th anniversary Corvette for a fund raiser at the Lebanon Community Hospital, tickets are \$25.00 each. The drawing will be Dec. 16th, 2005 and I am supposed to have a poster at the next meeting.

Check out the upcoming events in our newsletter and plan to participate, they can be a lot of fun.

I am also reminding everybody about the 5th Annual President's Mystery Tour. If you are interested in going please give me a call and we will add you to the list, there are still a few spots available. The t-shirt, sweatshirt order does need to get in, so the cut-off on that will be Aug. 15th. This should be a lot of fun so I hope you plan to attend. Please Get This To Me ASAP. Thanks!!!

"Save the Wave"
Gwen

HEADS or TALES?

Event Coordinator News:

Several events are taking place this month. We did finally get some information related to the Albany Jam. It will be a 4 day event starting Thursday the 18th with the Cruise at Shed, Friday the 19th car show at GI Joes followed with the downtown cruise and Saturday the 20th a Show and Shine at Heritage Mall.

Another great event for this month is the Corvettes in the Park, Take 2 sponsored by the Cascade Corvette Club. The event is August 12th thru the 13th.

Also please take note of the Vettes on the Siletz Cruise hosted by Wayne and Sharon Schmidt on August 21st!

If you have any questions about this events or any other events in the calendar please email me or call me.

As a reminder the presidents tour registration was due the first of August so if you still would like to go to this event please contact Gwen as soon as possible.

Thanks
Terry Watne

Club Historian:

On behalf of the Club Historian, I would like to remind people to forward any pictures of events or corvette functions to our club historian to be added to our club annual. Our club historian this year is Ron Young.



August Birthdays!

Marveen Bloom	8/14	Bonnie Bowens	8/21	Larry Crooker	8/7
Larry Ferner	8/29	Tom Gallagher	8/1	Jonathon Grant	8/11
John Moody	8/20	Konnie Perlenfein	8/16	Chris Polly	8/9
Sally Robertson	8/16	Al Sather	8/7	Pat Thibodeaux	8/18

Black Hills Corvette Classic 2005

Al and I left July 8th and headed NE over Mt. Hood and on to Walla Walla via the Washington side of the gorge. We visited the Whitman Mission, which was the beginning of our Historical adventures following the Lewis & Clark trail as we headed for Spearfish, SD. Saturday night in Walla Walla was the only threat we had of rain for the remainder of our trip.

We headed east on Hwy 12, over the Lolo Pass and into Missoula, MT. The roads were very nice and quite scenic. Montana highway curves are set for at least 75mph. We stayed in a motel on the Clark Fork River in Missoula that night and headed out the next morning on a Gold Mining Ghost Town adventure. We headed east on Hwy 200 from Bonner, MT following the Clearwater River, very scenic drive. In order to explore the Ghost Towns of Garnet and Coloma, we had to do about 30 miles r.t. on gravel roads, but it was well worth it and it had just rained the night before which helped to keep the dust down. Got into Helena that evening after dropping down out of Flesher Pass and the great divide and got a room at the Shilo before heading into old town to check out "Last Chance Gulch".

The following morning, we headed east again on Hwy 12 along the Musscleshell River, an area rich in history of cattle ranches and cattle drives. We stopped for a break in the old town of Harlowton, MT, visited the Wheatland County Museum and had lunch, then headed east again on Hwy 12. It was beginning to get real warm out, so we drove straight thru Billings and into Hardin, MT, at the edge of the Little Big Horn, where we spent the night.

The following morning, we spent a couple of hours driving thru the various battlefields of the Little Big Horn and then headed east on Hwy 212 toward Broadus, MT. It was getting really warm out and there was no trees for shade anywhere. To our surprise, we ran into road construction before Broadus after being told it was East of Broadus. We turned south on Hwy 59 in Broadus, hoping to bypass any more road construction. Low and behold we ran into a lot more of it in no mans land before getting into Gillette, WY. The temperatures were well over 105 deg., we were running low on fuel, and we were cooked. We gassed up in Gillette and headed east again, but this time on I-90 toward Sundance. Our first freeway travel since leaving home.

After spending the night in Sundance, WY we toured the Devil's Tower, quite a piece of rock standing all alone. We arrived in Spearfish, SD right around lunch time and checked into our B & B, the Secret Garden. Al and I washed the '59' before heading up to the Holiday Inn Convention Center for the Black Hills Corvette Classic registration and BBQ. The Durham's and several other Corvettes from Idaho traveling with them showed up just in time for the BBQ. Kiss was our entertainment for the evening along with reptiles and the Dyno testing of Corvettes.

Friday morning we watched the Corvette Auto Crosses held in Spearfish and then started our Poker Run thru the Black Hills. Al and I extended our Poker Run so we could take in Mt. Rushmore and the Iron Mountain Road, but almost didn't get in on the Corvettes on Main Street in Spearfish that evening. After being parked on Main Street for about 3 hours, we all headed up to the Holiday Inn Convention Center for a party. The beginning act of the party was a very talented man, a Magician, Clairvoyant, and Comedian all wrapped up in one. The second portion was a band, but it was a very loud rock band, so most everyone hung around till 11:00 pm for the Diamond Give-A-Way and then left.

Saturday morning was the Corvette Drags in Sturgis. Al attended the drags in 109 deg. temperatures, while I stayed cooled by checking out the Spearfish Art in the Park annual event. The park is located along Spearfish Creek, a very cool clear stream that runs through the town. That evening was the banquet and a guest speaker that was being kept a secret. We thought it strange when we arrived and had to wait in line for over 30 minutes before we were let into the large Convention room. When they finally opened the doors there were two black suited men with earphones attached to their ears at each door. They inspected ladies purses and other items that were carried in. The men didn't talk or smile and stood like they were at attention. We all started getting very curious about who the surprise guest speaker was. Finally, we found out the men in black suits were with the Secret Service, so that explained what they were doing, but *Why?* The banquet was very good, and then it was time for our guest speaker. Curiosity was running wild... ..

Black Hills Corvette Classic 2005 continued... ..

Amid a lot of chatter in the room, a back corner door opened and in walked several more Secret Service men. In among them was our surprise speaker for the evening, Bill Clinton (imitator). The speech was very humorous and everyone got a lot of laughs. The Souix Falls, SD club and their friends put on the performance. They did a fantastic job and really fooled a lot of people. Everyone had a really good time and said goodbye before heading back to our homes on Sunday morning.

Sunday morning we drove south down through the western edge of the Black Hills on Hwy 85 and headed towards the Historic Oregon Trail in Wyoming. That day we toured Fort Laramie, saw the Ruts left from wagons on the Oregon Trail and the signatures on Registrar Cliffs. We stayed in Wheatland, WY that night at a Best Western Motel. The following morning we headed N. on I-25 to visit Fort Fetterman, then on through Casper and S. on Hwy 220, stopping to see Independence Rock, Devil's Gate, and Split Rock, all landmarks of the Historic Oregon Trail along the Sweetwater River. We headed west on Hwy 287 at the Muddy Gap Junction before heading south on Hwy 28 to explore the old Mining Ghost Towns of Atlantic City and South Pass City that were also along the Oregon Trail. There is still a working mine in South Pass City today. Spent that evening in the town of Green River, one end of the Flaming Gorge Reservoir. Al found a fouled spark plug in the '59', the only problems with the old corvette thus far. In the morning, we headed to the south end of the Flaming Gorge on Hwy 530 where we drove the Sheep Creek Geological Loop. The rock formations and colors were spectacular and the views of the Gorge were wonderful, well worth the time. We then drove back north on Hwy 414 so we could explore Fort Bridger. Then north again on Hwy 89/16 into Utah and Garden City on Bear Lake for the evening where we stayed at the Canyon Cove Motel, a great find with a view of the beautiful blue lake.

The following morning we drove up over Cache Mtn. Pass on Hwy 89 west and down into Logan, UT, a very pretty city, and then west on I-84 until Snowville where we cut off onto Hwy 30 and headed towards Nevada. While driving through this desert country, all of a sudden the highway turned black for approximately two miles. It was male tarantulas in migration. We probably killed thousands of them by driving over them, before the females could get to them. We stopped in Elko, NV to take a break in the shade after joining I-80 west, and then on to Winnemucca for the evening.

The following morning, July 21st, we drove north to Lakeview, then west to Klamath Falls, ending up in more road construction. We skirted the south side of Klamath Falls and took Hwy 66 west toward Ashland, a very nice Corvette road with very little traffic. We ended up in the City of Rogue at the B.W. Rogue River Inn, a very nice motel just across the road from the park on the river where they are building a beautiful new bridge with arches.

Friday morning we thought we would try the route thru Merlin, Galice, Powers and come out at Myrtle Point, but found out that most of the that road after Galice was unpaved. We decided to take the paved road and ended up at Wolf Creek after a scenic side trip along the Rogue River. So, we were back onto I-5 until heading west on Hwy 42 to Coos Bay. We pulled into the Edgewater Inn for the Pacific Coast Club event after traveling 3700 miles, just as another '59', red w/white coves arrived. Their corvette was totally restored and beautiful. The couple was from Camas, WA. and did not belong to a Corvette Club. A couple hours later, after Al had cleaned up the '59' the Cascade Corvette Club and the Beaver State Corvette Club came rolling in and ready for a fun event on the southern Oregon Coast.

Al and I had a good time "*on the road again*" and saw a lot of beautiful country, but over 7 days of triple digit temperatures in that old corvette is a little much. Maybe next time we'll stick more to the Western Mountain areas.

Mary Hobson



VETTES ON THE SILETZ

SUNDAY, AUGUST 21, 2005

10am at Carson Chevron

BSCC

YOU ARE INVITED!

To a casual and relaxed cruise to the coast for lunch at Wayne and Sharon Schmidt's Siletz River House at 14374 Siletz Hwy, Lincoln City. (cabin phone 541-994-8310). No need to prep and shine that Vette for a show – there will not be one. There may be, however, some non-cerebral games resulting in some really swell prizes.

Please bring your own meat to grill for lunch plus any special beverages to help you through the day. We will provide salad, dessert, and a limited amount of Beer and soft drinks. You may stay as long as you care to Sunday afternoon/evening and return home as you like.

For those of you interested in a no-host breakfast, I will be at Yaquina Bay Restaurant (next to I-5 and McDonald's) in Albany at 9am. Yaquina Bay Restaurant has several breakfast specials so if you are so inclined please join me for breakfast. We will leave Carsons Chevron on Hwy 20 at 10am for the cruise to our "VETTES ON THE SILETZ" BBQ.

Don't forget your talk-a-bouts for the trip over. Any swimming in the river should include swim suits.

Wayne and Sharon Schmidt
Home phone (541) 926-1814

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2005 Events Calendar

August 12-14 Rose City Corvette Classic Rose City Corvette Club is sponsoring the Rose City Corvette Classic See the event flyer for more information.

August 12-14 Corvettes in the Park, Take 2 Cascade Corvette Club is sponsoring its' second annual Corvettes in the Park Car Show. Sponsored by [Cascade Corvette Club](#) Here's an [Event Flyer!](#)

August 18-20 Albany Traffic Jam GI Joes Car Show and downtown cruise the 19th (Free unless you want your car judged. \$10 to be judged) Saturday Heritage Mall Car show entry fee is \$15. For more information: 541-928-2469 or <http://www.albanyvisitors.com/pages/events/august.html>

August 18-21 Coburg Car Classic For more information: 541-344-8081 (Club event information obtained from: <http://www.corvhp.com/otherevents.htm#august05>)

August 27 Florence Casino Corvette Show

September 17-18 BSCC Presidential Mystery Tour Sponsored by [Beaver State Corvette Club](#) Stay tuned for more information!

October 1-2 CCC President's Mystery Tour Sponsored by [Cascade Corvette Club](#) Rooms will be about \$90 for Saturday night. Lunch will be an additional \$15/person. Stay tuned for more information!

Corvettes and Corvette Toys For Sale

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