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"First Lady Writes"

Welcome back gang. Here it is the first part of August already. Around mid July, between OTHG and friend activities along with doctor appointments, we found time to take eight uninterrupted days of vacation. It had been quite awhile since we had done that sort of thing, take a leisurely vacation, I mean.

I booked motels ahead of time, similarly to what the gang does. As some of you know, that doesn't always work out as well as one might think. But, that keeps things interesting, doesn't it? Knowing the future is no fun at all. I recall our adventure in Leadville which was one that will forever stay in our memories. Just ask someone who was there.

I learned there is a difference between Comfort Inn and Comfort Suites. Now, who would think a place like Gallup, NM, would have two Comfort places! That was our first stop. It was raining. Ron ran into the Comfort Inn office and returned far too quickly to have registered us. He informed me the desk clerk told him we had reservations at the Comfort Suites across town. Screw up number one. But, wow, what a room we had for \$99 a night. Not only a bedroom but a sitting room with sofa, coffee table and all the décor that went with it. But, I bet I could have gotten us a room at the Comfort Inn across town for less money and would have been perfectly happy. The only time I used the sofa and coffee table was when I was counting out our daily pills. I put all of Ron's in a cup that he had placed there. A few minutes later

he came to me and said, "When you put my pills in a cup, make sure it doesn't have water in it." Screw up number two. We left our beautiful room, which we enjoyed for about 3 hours awake time. The rest of the time we were sleeping and could have cared less if we were at the Comfort Suites or Comfort Inn. Oh, well!

We headed toward Durango where we planned to ride the Durango-Silverton train. I had booked the nostalgic Caboose Motel (keeping with the trend), no more Comfort whatever. Wednesday, we hopped aboard the train and were greeted by our hostess and narrator, a Chipeta impersonator. Chipeta was an pretty Indian princess and this gal played the part well. She was very interesting giving us a history lesson as well as what part she had to play in it. Her Indian-Chief husband was Ouray. The town in which he died was named for him. Our train excursion was the only tiring part of our trip but was well worth it. We saw so much beautiful scenery.

I thought I was booking a log cabin in Salida but ended up in a regular ole motel setting. It did have some rustic furniture, however. The log cabins were much larger than I thought. Some had saunas and slept up to eight people. They all had kitchenettes. Did I do my research thoroughly enough? Screw up number three. We did have lots of fun looking through antique shops and seeing all the old buildings with decorative architecture around Salida. Neat town.

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On to Montrose to visit our son, one of the main reasons for our trip. When there, we like to scavenge through all the antique shops. (Really?) We always visit Tracy who has a very large collection of old cars as well as you name it. One time, Ron bought a globe for his Standard yard sign from him which Tracy had delivered to our door by his wife. We took off one day to Ouray with our son and his family. We had lunch at a Mexican restaurant which didn't serve my kind of Mexican food. In fact, we were all a little surprised when our food was served. What on earth did we order? No one can beat our good ole Arizona Mexican food, that's for sure!

Ron and I were eating dinner one night at one of our favorite Montrose restaurants, when chewing a piece of nice warm-buttered bread, I bit down on something hard.

My gosh, I had lost a filling, so I thought. Later, my dentist said I had broken my tooth. Screw up number four.

My daughter-in-law and I were going through a gift shop when we came across a basket that contained refrigerator magnets. They were big like 3 x 5 size. I found one that I simply could not resist. It said, "Ahhh.....I see the Screw Up Fairy has visited us again." You don't know how many times I have referred to that line since we've been back.

We spent our last night in Holbrook. We've been asked, "What on earth were you doing in Holbrook?" Sleeping in a teepee! Ron just had to stay at the Wigwam. Funny thing. We paid \$69 a night there having quaint facilities when down the street the new Comfort Inn was going for \$39.99.

Jan

August Birthdays

Terry Scott	8/12
Mary Bertram	8/15
Linda Barnes	8/29
Connie Roseman	8/31

Barney & Donna Wilkins
are looking for rear fenders
for a 41 Ford truck.
Give them a call if you have or know of any.
(520) 560-3985

Over the Hill Gang Club Store

Call Dave Bennett for orders of shirts and hats.

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PHOENIX ADULT DAY CARE CENTER

By Ken Schaaf

Thanks to the five club members who helped to "make the day" for some elderly folks on Monday, June 10: Tom and Val Altgilbers, Ross and Ellen Davis, Alan Mitchell, Mac McMillen, and myself. I also invited a friend of mine, Fred Pickering, with his red '40 Ford. Another friend of the adult center was there with his yellow Chevy truck. The folks came out in groups to check out the cars. Some had their pictures taken, and

everyone seemed to have a favorite color or car. It was warm, but we were able to be in the shade of the carport or building. We ate outside on the covered patio, and as always, Frances Valenzuela had great pizza and drinks for us.

I just want to say "thanks" to everybody who made the day SPECIAL for the clients and employees of the Phoenix Adult Day Care Center.

"PUTT TO PARKS"

Barney & Donna Wilkins, Hosts

Written by Dee

The Phoenix area OTHG folks met at 7 a.m. for breakfast at Rock Springs on Saturday 6/22/13 and left at 8 a.m., heading for Parks, AZ and the Wilkins' home. Traveling companions included our Leaders, Don & Glenna Williams, along with Jerry & Carol Elliott, Frank & Rose Svancara, Ron & Jan Olmstead, Ross & Ellen Davis (along with Oreo and Cookie), Larry & Brenda Besore, Mac & Karen McMillan, and Ken & I. The weather was great as we headed for the COOL country. Didn't know what we'd run into, with the fire West of Prescott so we by-passed Prescott Valley and Prescott, taking the new Fain road cut-off. Saw no smoke and the roads were good. We hit Chino Valley, then quick stop at Ashfork where some biker folks from Germany were resting prior to their moving on. Ken talked to several of them as they checked out the rods. On to Williams where Donna and Barney were going to meet us in the Steak House parking lot and guide us to their home via the little piece of Route 66 still being traveled on. They arranged for each car to have a picture taken on "Route 66," then we continued on as they explained some "spots of interest" along the way. Others club members joining us and already at the house, were Paul & Judy Nolte, who had spent the night in Pine at their cabin, Conrad & Michelle Monroe, who live in Show Low, Chuck & Diane LaVetter who were spending time at their home in Flagstaff. There were a couple more folks from the area that Barney and Donna invited, so they could see all the streetrods.

After visiting and getting something to drink, the dining table disappeared under tons (or so it seemed) of chips and wonderful dips, pretzels, jalapenos with a cheesy topping, lots of yummy stuff; then the desserts covered one whole countertop with cookies, cakes, pies, again yummy stuff! THEN, Donna opened the oven and pulled out a HUGE container of chicken enchiladas, with another still in there. Then there were BBQ chicken strips on sticks with a spicy sauce....so delicious! WE DIDN'T GO HUNGRY! There was a huge drink container with a delicious punch, "to die for" and coffee made in one of those fancy contraptions that makes one cup at a time, however you like it.

The weather was very comfortable with blowing breezes now and then, as we were eating everywhere. . . front porch, back porch, back lawn with tables and chairs. The gals got a head start on the food as most the guys were out in Barney's garage doing what guys do! Donna moved her "crafts hide-away" from the garage to the house . . . excellent move, Donna! We gals loved looking in there. We visited on, as the afternoon disappeared and all of a sudden it was time to eat again, but wait!...Do you think the Motel 6 will hold our rooms? Carol Elliott was the only one to get a "late arrival"

on their reservation. Oh well, let's eat supper. Was getting dark as we said our good-byes and headed for Motel 6. No problem...they had our rooms. Had a good night's rest, and ready to roll at 8:30 a.m.

To meet at Coco's for breakfast in Flagstaff; Barney & Donna joined us, had a reservation for 20; tables were ready; had a great breakfast and again, said our good-byes! Frank & Rose decided to stay and go to Bearizona before returning to the Valley. (Now there's another trip in the making.) Ken took the lead and we headed to the Overlook at Oak Creek Canyon. What beautiful and breath-taking views. The Indians also had craft booths selling their intriguing wears. Been a few years since we were through here, the beauty of the rocks and trees absolutely worth the stop. Then on to Sedona through the winding roads and gorgeous red rock.

The Williams' car was overheating, so as soon as we could pull off, we checked with a ranger to see if we could park here while we checked out the car. We used up everyone's water, ice, dug through car trunks for something that could be used to fix the leak, nothing. After a bit, we went on to Sedona and ate at Burger King, giving the car another cool-down period. OK, on the road again...but there's an accident ahead; highway is barely moving, now stopped. Stop and Go. Car over-heating again. Stopped just a short ways from Rock Springs, had shade under a HUGE tree. After some time, traffic continues to slow so we best move on. But no use, the car just keeps overheating. Better pull off again, this time at Table Mesa Road. No shade except from our cars' shadows. Besore's decided to brave it. Called back that a mobile home had over-turned about a mile up on the right side of the road and beyond that it was back to 60 mph. A couple of cars pulled in when they saw the streetrods, just to look.

Jerry and Don decide to venture out to find the needed "fix." One car that stopped was a mother, with daughter driving, and offered a sandwich and Ron took them up on it. We thanked them. Then, upon Jerry and Don's return, they brought water for the car and the part needed, drinks for us, and not too long from then, we were back on the road. When Don and Glenna were approaching Peoria Avenue (our turn-off), we asked if they wanted us to follow them home. They said no, the car's good now. They still had a good hour's drive to get home.

It turned out to be a lot of fun, adventurous, sightseeing on Rt 66, breezy, cool, eating, visiting, eating, checking out the garage, eating, snacking...joining together at Coco's one more time for breakfast, sight-seeing in Oak Creek Canyon, seeing the red rocks, eating, etc. etc. etc. Next time, "don't cha dare miss it!"

Cruisin Car Shows by Cheryl Mitchell

- Aug 17 Glendale Old Towne Cruise and Car Show: Glendale Ave from 59th to 56th Aves
Time: 1 pm – 8 pm, Entry Fee: Free, Contact Nancy: (602) 843-3545.
This show is held the 3rd Saturday of each month
- Aug 24 Thunder over the Coconino Fly-In & Car Show: Valle, AZ
Valle Airport: 555 S. State Route 64 Contact Norm: (928) 635-5280
Time: 8 am – 3 pm, Entry Fee: \$30.00
- Aug 30 Hot August Night Car Show: Tucson, Hosted by: West Side Rides
Santa Cruz Lanes: 3665 S. 16th Ave Contact Tray: (520) 406-3009
Time: 6 pm – 10 pm, pre check in 5 pm.
Entry Fee: 1 pair of new socks as a donation to our troops
- Aug 31 Cars and Bikes: Bisbee, Hosted by: Boys & Girls Club of Bisbee
405 Arizona Street Contact Annette: (520) 432-3010
Time: 8 am – 3 pm Pre-registration fee: \$25.00
- Sep 6-8 Flagstaff Route 66 Days Charity Car Show: Flagstaff
Historic Downtown Flagstaff: 211 W. Aspen Ave Contact John (928) 451-1204
(any spots left) Time: 8 am – 5:30 pm Entry Fee: \$35.00
- Sep 14 KARS for Kids: Sierra Vista, Hosted by: The Boys and Girls Club of Sierra Vista and
The Fraternal Order of Police Huachuca Lodge #28
Mall at Sierra Vista, 2200 El Mercado Loop Contact Kevin (520) 559-0833
Time: 8 am – 3 pm, Pre-Registration Fee \$25.00 – day of show \$30.00 if there is
space permitting
- Sep 13-14 24th Prescott High Country Rod Run, Prescott Hosted by: ASRA
Prescott Court House Square, Contact Frank (623) 533-7839 or
Gary & Deb (480) 981-8348
Pre-registration at the BW Prescottonian 1 pm – 7 pm, Show/Shine Sat: 8 am – 2 pm.
Entry Fee: \$45.00 open to 1972 to older vehicles
- Sep 21 Oro Valley Classics Car & Truck Show: Oro Valley Hosted by: SAACA
Oro Valley Market Place, SW Corner of Oracle/Tangerine Roads
Contact Jonas (520) 797-3959
Time 10 am – 3 pm Early Bird Registration Fee prior to Aug 16th: \$25.00
- Sep 21 Glendale Old Towne Cruise and Car Show
- Sept. 27-29 Run to the Pines Car Show Pinetop Lakes Country Club in Pinetop Arizona,
Information about the show e-mail Info@RuntothePinesAZ.com
- Sep 27-28 2nd Annual Tru-Steel & Fiberglass Car and Bike Show, Prescott Valley
Hosted by Star Charity Event Group, Contact Deborah (928) 533-2366
Kohl's Parking Lot: 3298 N. Glassford Hill Rd, Time: Fri 3 pm – 7 pm,
Sat 7 am – 3 pm Entry Fee: Cars B/4 Sept. 7-\$20/ Cars Reg. \$25/ Bikes \$15/
Poker Run & Show \$20 (additional hand \$30)

August 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7 <i>OTHG Business Meeting</i>	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17 Glendale Old Towne Cruise and Car Show
					Silver City Car Show	
18	19	20 <i>OTHG Board Meeting</i>	21	22	23	24 Thunder over the Coconino Fly-In & Car Show
25	26	27	28	29	30 Hot August Night Car Show	31 Cars and Bikes