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JULY 1993

**JULY 24-25
LEAVE 8:00 AM
7-11 GAGE & LESLIE RD
MINI-CIRCLE TOUR
BICKLETON AND
GOLDENDALE AREA**

Wayne & Donna Shreve and Vern & Martha Shreve are planning a circle tour of the Bickleton-Goldendale area for July 24-25. We will plan so that you can make this a one day trip if you do not wish to stay overnight.

If you are going to stay overnight we suggest The Far Vue Motel.

Call right away to make reservations.

Far Vue Motel, 1-800-358-5881
\$47.08 includes tax.
Triple A Member \$42.80
Has swimming pool

Ponderosa Motel
(509) 773-5842
\$43.87 includes tax

RV Park
(509) 773-3111

Call Martha Shreve
582-7530 if interested

VERN SAYS "YOU CAN'T MISS IT" . . . where have we heard that before?

Welcome Back to renewed members:

Elaine and John Kutrowski
304 N. Quincy, Kennewick, WA.
586-9502 4 1953 Cadillacs

WANTED: 36 Ford Coupe, 50-51 bullet nose Studebaker. Both should be running. This is for local people who would join YOCC. Call Cork (509) 783-6681 for info.

**OPTIONAL CAR SHOWING.
(NOT CLUB FUNCTION)
AUGUST 7th 11:00-3:00**

KALE AM and KIOK FM will be sponsoring a classic car show at the Al's Auto Supply on 4th and Olympia in Kennewick. They will broadcast live during the event, and award trophies from a consumers choice viewpoint, and provide free pop and hot dogs to spectators.

If interested in participating call Karen Deatherage at 586-2151.

**HIGHLIGHTS OF CIRCLE
TOUR 1993**

We went 1200 miles in 8 days, some went even further by getting lost more or taking side trips on their own. Fourteen cars and one trailer started on Sat. June 19 and returned approximately Sat. June 27. Thirty adults and 5 kids from 8 to 13 years, and 1 dog made the complete route. We were joined by 4 more cars and 8 adults for single days along the way. Night stops were The Dalles, Castle Rock, Ashford, Port Townsend, Sedro Woolley, Winthrop, East Wenatchee, and home.

Tri-Citians were Simmelinks, Yales, Pete Jackson, Letha Abken, Stredwicks, Vern Shreves & granddaughters, Kuchs, Underwoods and Aunt Dora, Allens, Westermeyer, Brunke, Nesbitts. Out of towners were Hensons (Tampico), Lindens (Moxee), Ginger Reed (Lewiston), Jim Morrisons (Albion) and the Dennis Johnsons (Poulsbo).

One dayers were, Ashbys, Ken Shreves, Ozbolts (Renton), and Falks (Anacortes). Cars dated from 1925 (2) to 1993. Speeds varied from 30 to 60 mph. We were not together at all times, which is proper for a tour of this size and length.

Accommodations varied interestingly from rustic to modern, including B & B's. Clean and sparkling to not too sparkling. Weather for the most part was gentle "top down" most of the time. Food met the need of the individuals . . . from in the room in the morning granola, picnics at roadside and parks, fruit stands, fast foods, 1/4 star to 3 star restaurants, and of course the Kuch's travel kitchen trailer behind the Model T.

Sights: Maryhill, Cougar, Mt. St. Helens, dams, lakes, waterfalls, visitors centers, interpretive centers, restaurants, antique shops, wildlife (animal and human - ask Jerie Allen about the nude boys on Washington Pass. She watched it all), garage tours, small towns, rain, forest, orchards, dry land, your rear view mirrors and the yellow line. All in wonderful Washington.

The traveling trouble trophy was passed among the group, sometimes hourly. I believe Gary Stredwick ended up with it, due to chronic Chev problems. Even Jeffery got it once for losing his cap.

Nightly entertainment and door prizes were outstanding because we did them ourselves. Physical and acting games, poker runs, group singing, tests, bingo, song lyric contests, I.D. of old things, tool auction, and hide and seek with old cars during the days.

On the Grand Circle Tour it is possible to join and leave at any time, take side trips to kinfolk and friends, help fellow tourists with breakdowns, gaslessness (twice for Kuch), haul the kids, ride in other cars, avoid metropolitan areas, enjoy reasonably priced accommodations, do it yourself entertainment, get to know everyone, lie a lot, get off the beaten tracks a bit, and use your old car for the purpose it was built . . . HIT THE ROAD. I had a great time. Thanks for going on vacation with us. Cork

YOCC will underwrite \$100 + toward you sponsoring a monthly event . . . tour, potluck, xmas party, prizes, out of town experience, poker run or a new something we haven't done. Think of different ways to use our old cars for just a get together in the coming months.

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