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# ***THE SUNSET STRIP***

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## **July Festivities**

By Darrell

Eileen and I missed our last meeting. We were attending our son, Brian's college graduation in San Diego. What a great Father's Day present. We had a great visit. We also got to see a Hall & Oats concert with 2<sup>nd</sup> row tickets. That rocked!

We were invited to the 4<sup>th</sup> of July festivities in Bandon this year, hosted by the Bandon Lions Club. We met on a rainy morning of the 4<sup>th</sup> at BiMart. After some discussion, 3 Fords (Maxene Grabe, Susan Ramsay and Louie Christensen in his 57 Ranchero) and 2 Chevys (Bob Celli and Kings) made the run to Bandon. En route, we were met and followed by Joe Glastonbury from Brookings, with his very fine Turquoise 56 Chevy pickup. About halfway there, the road dried up. We lined up next to the Pacific Coast Corvette Club, but fell in line a ways back. There was a great turnout, as the threatening weather was clearing.

After parading through Old Town, we made our way back to the city park. We parked on the grass, amongst about a dozen Corvettes and a couple of other old cars including a very clean stock '37 Chevy coupe. The weather improved and we enjoy visiting and eating buffalo burgers cooked to perfection by "Buffalo Jim" Quinn of Pacific Coast Corvettes and Bandon Lions. The entertainment was some local bands and the community members who kept having shootouts, using blanks, of course.

Bandon does a great job celebrating the 4<sup>th</sup>. I'm looking forward to returning next year.

The following weekend, several of our members, Deals, Ron and Carla Johnson and Roger Karr went to Graffiti in Roseburg. Leonard reported he stayed for the first part of the cruise with the temps in the 100's, he decided to head home early.

Inter-Club Council is going ahead with the Scottsburg Picnic planned for July 30, back at the Scottsburg Park. Hope to see you all there. Jay and I will be taking the SCC Club grill up there. Bring your cars up and enjoy a great visit with other enthusiasts. We hear there will be fun and games, too.

I've also been busy with the Corvette club working on their Corvette Fiesta that will be held July 28-29. You are all invited to drop by the Corvette Show and Shine at Ken Ware Chevrolet, Saturday afternoon from noon to 3 PM.

**How are you all doing handing out Certificates of Appreciation and collecting trophy donations?**

***Looking forward to seeing all of you at the meeting,  
Friday, July 21, at 7:00 or  
Come early for dinner and/or join one of groups going elsewhere  
after the meeting for libation or food***

***Birthdays***

- July 16 Gary Ruppel
- 23 Emily Bright
- 26 Nicole Slagle
- 28 Jim Brown
- August 3 Lew Ball
- 4 Maxene Grabe
- 8 Carolyn Baronian
- 13 Mike Raggio
- 14 Harry Wilson \*
- 18 Barbara Brown
- 24 Karen Price \*
- 27 Bette Webster \*
- 31 Ling Mork

\* No longer on membership list, but these are folks we like to remember!

***Anniversaries***

- July 24 Leonard & Judy Deel
- 31 Willy & Donna Savey
- August 1 Bill & Faye Trentz
- 19 Ron & Barbara Brown
- 12 Jerry & Nadine Burnette
- 15 Jay & Jane Darlington
- 23 Bubby & Rita Marsden
- 29 Jim & Kathy Strickler

**Short Obituary**

An old lady walked into a newspaper office. She approached an employee and said that her husband had died and that she would like to have an obituary appear in the paper. The employee gave her a form and told her to write the obituary on it.

She wrote, "Earl W. Worth died Saturday, December 2 at his home. Services are at the Baptist Church at 3 p.m. Friday. The employee looked at the form and said, "I'm sorry, ma'am, but obituaries are limited to 7 words apiece."

The woman took another form and wrote, "Earl died. '57 Chevy truck for sale."

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## Get Out of The Car!

(We hear that this is a true account recorded in the police log of Sarasota, Florida.)

An elderly Florida lady did her shopping and, upon returning to her car, found four males in the act of leaving with her vehicle. She dropped her shopping bags and drew her handgun, proceeding to scream at the top of her voice, "I have a gun, and I know how to use it! Get out of the car!" The four men didn't wait for a second invitation. They got out and ran like mad.

The lady, somewhat shaken, then proceeded to load her shopping bags into the back of the car and got into the driver's seat. She was so shaken that she could not get her key into the ignition. She tried and tried, She barely noticed that there was a football, a Frisbee and two 12 packs! in the front seat. A few minutes later, she found her own car parked four or five spaces further down the parking lot.

She loaded her bags into the car and drove to the police station to report her mistake. The sergeant to whom she told the story couldn't stop laughing. He pointed to the other end of the counter, where four pale men were reporting a car jacking by a mad, elderly woman described as white, less than five feet tall, glasses, curly white hair, and carrying a large handgun. No charges were filed.

Moral of the story? If you're going to have a Senior Moment, make it memorable.

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**Annual InterClub Thanksgiving Feast**  
**Mark your calendar!**  
**The date is November 5, 2006**

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## SUMMER SHOW 'N SHINE

### SC Gospel Mission Benefit

**\$10 entry fee + 2 cans food**

**July 22 9 to 4 p.m.**

At NW Natural Gas, Coos Bay (turn west off Hwy 101 onto Kingwood at Farwest Tires, go about 2 blks to end of street)

Lots of classes by year, trucks pre-55 and 56-80, foreign car, motorcycle, under construction.

Info: Joe Peterson @ 541/269-7502

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### Did you know?

Sunset Classic Chevy guests (those who went to Joseph recently) received a thank you letter from Wildhorse Resort & Casino!

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There's a free one-hour dance lesson each Saturday evening at 7:30 followed at 8:30 p.m. by open dancing. It's very casual, not crowded, and taught by patient folks! Small donations from the dancers compensate the Grange for building use.

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There's a free Healthy Hike the last Saturday of each month led by BLM folks and sponsored by the local hospital and others. The July 29 hike is on the North Spit for about two hours. Call Bay Area Hospital for info at 541 269-8430 or ask Maxene about it. Healthy fun/exercise!

The August 26 hike is at Floras Lake and Blacklock Point. A short and longer hike are generally offered each month. All hikes start at 10:00 a.m.

## JULY 4 SHOW IN BANDON

By Maxene Grabe

Sunset Classic Chevy Club president, Darrell King, spearheaded the caravan of cars from Coos Bay Bi-Mart at 8:15 a.m. Members were Bob Celli in his dark maroon Nova, Rob and Colleen Boesch in their '55 Chev (red with flames) and me with the Ford truck and my dual membership in both Chevy and Mustang/Ford Club. A lovely 50s turquoise pickup met the caravan turned around, followed us to Bandon and joined the Chevy group.

Representing the Mid-Coast Mustang/Ford Club were Susan Ramsay in her beautiful navy blue '65 Mustang and my red/white '64 Ford 4x4 truck as the only two 'member' vehicles. Susan's good buddy, Chris Christensen, rode with her; my stuffed Uncle Sam was my passenger. We were joined by a couple non-member Fords, however! Louie Christensen of North Bend brought his gorgeous red 1957 Ranchero pickup that has already been to drag races in Medford. You can see his vehicle on the internet and read about it at <http://www.supermotors.net/vehicles/registry/6416/20800>. The other Ford was a 1965 red Mustang coupe owned by Lisa and Richard Gagnon on Bandon.

Darrell & Eileen King are also members in the Pacific Coast Corvette Club and were driving their 2003 Corvette, a 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary edition for the famous Chevrolet. Didn't know them all, but noted other Corvette club members, Jack and Roberta Granby in the parade, too. Among others were Dennis Anderson and Suzanne Ashwell of Gold Beach, red '04 Corvette ZO6; Joe Ridge and Joyce Weare, maroon 04 Corvette Coupe; Kurt and Linda Smith, silver 03 convertible; and Richard Whitwer and family, maroon C4 Corvette. It was Mr. Whitwer who contributed the Bandon photos to their website at <http://pacificcoastcorvetteclub.com/>. Take a look for photos of the Corvettes at the show n' shine in the park following the parade. In the top photo, you'll see the King Corvette and the Boesch Chevy at the far end. PCCC members brought a total of 7 Corvettes for their entry in the parade.

OTHG members Pete Paradis had his red/white 1960 Corvette in the parade and Wayne Scherer was a late comer to the show with his black 1957 Thunderbird.

The Bandon Corvette Club led by Larry McCasland made a good showing as well following the July 1 show they organized.

**JULY 1 SHOW** - SCC Club members at that July 1 show were Ron & Carla Johnson with their lovely red 68 Camaro and me with the salmon Mustang. Robin Hannah, a former neighbor of mine when he was a youngster, had his orange 71 Chevelle parked next to Ron and Carla and was extremely proud of the prep work he'd done on his car under Ron's guidance and the great-looking paintjob. I didn't win the 50/50 raffle this time, but came home with a new Lexmark printer for my computer from the raffle. Members of Over the Hill Gang made a big showing there and came away with at least four trophies.

There were other vehicles in the Bandon parade and show that were not connected with clubs. Among them were a beautiful old Dodge sedan with a custom-designed yellow paint job, a blue-white '57 Chev driven by two women, a couple in a '62 Chev. Impala SS 409 convertible who commute from California to part-time residency in Bandon, and others who were invited to join SCC and urged to attend the July 30 Scottsburg picnic planned this year by InterClub Council, representing all car clubs in the area and planned to promote love of our "car-crazy" hobby and camaraderie among the different groups.

### SPRINGFIELD SHOW & CRUZ 2006

Ron and Carla Johnson escaped the cold winds of North Bend, opting to warm up in Springfield at the July 15 Springfield Show & Cruz where they won first place in the field of about 20 Camaros! We all know how great their red 68 Camaro looks!

Small wonder that Ron's buddy and prospective SCC Club member, Robin Hannah, won 3rd place at Roseburg Graffiti with his orange 71 Chevelle, newly painted by--guess who--Ron Johnson!

## ***CLUB HATS AND POLO SHIRTS***

*Club hats and polo shirts are available from BNT Promotions. They have our club logo and will need to be ordered. You can call or drop in and order shirts and/or hats for yourself. You'll have to inquire about prices.*

*Shirt: Tri-Mountain style 179, Khaki body, navy trim. Sizes run a little big.*

*Hats: Unstructured ( soft style) baseball cap, Richardson # 232*

*Structured: (Stiff body) baseball cap, Richardson # 203*

*Color: Khaki body, navy bill.*

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## **CruiseOregon 2006 to Whisler BC a huge success!**

By Maxene Grabe

After putting 1993 miles on the old '50 Ford business coupe we rolled into Coos Bay 8 days after leaving July 8 on CruiseOregon 2006, my 5th year with the crazy cruisin' crew headed up by Rt. 26 Cruisers of Sandy, OR. About 100 cars went this year. Dick and Jeannie Fertig made the same trip and took one of my passengers, grandson McKenzie Freeman, with them one day so he could avoid my visit with an old friend in Wenatchee, well-known to my other passenger, friend Jan Johnson, but three old ladies in one day was more than McK could tolerate! Fertigs are among his favorite folks!

Spending two nights at Whisler, B.C. gave us time to experience ZipTrek, a chance to zip through the air on four different cables suspended by a harness high above a roaring river and among tree tops of an old-growth forest after a bumpy ride through construction going on for the 2010 winter Olympic games. We rode over the site of the toboggan and luge tracks!

In the afternoon we traveled by gondola cars up to 7160 feet, then walked another 1/4 mile or so to the top of the world where we took photos of ourselves with a gigantic stone 'person.'

Canada's towering mountains were close-up and the biggest I've ever seen! Rivers and streams were colored teal and turquoise by the minerals feeding into them. It was the most breathtaking scenery ever! We spent another two nights in Winthrop, WA, where we dressed up for Western night at a big dinner in a red barn, did a poker walk, played in a miniature golf tournament, and attended a street dance which was part of the rhythm and blues festival going on there. Many, many motorcycles jammed the streets, which were already lined with classic cars in the picturesque little Western-themed town with motel units that hang over the stream that meanders through town. One set of bikers we talked with were on their way to Seattle for a Blue Knights rally, a get-together for retired police motorcycle officers.

The old coupe kept up, or led, up/down freeways and byways at 70 mph and up to 85 mph at times when I was passing! Kept waiting for noises and things to fall off, but the 56-year-old flathead V8 is apparently rock solid! Lots of folks asked what kind of engine I had as we kept up so easily.

I can't recommend the fun and friendliness of CruiseOregon enough! Come along in 2007 when the destination will be Couer d'Leone, Idaho. Look for photos of this years cruise (and past years) soon on [www.cruiseoregon.org](http://www.cruiseoregon.org). What I've described is only the tip of the iceberg of fun we experienced!!

## ROSEBURG GRAFFITI WEEKEND & NORTH BEND'S JULY JUBILEE SHOW/CRUISE

By Roger Karr

**GRAFFITI:** First of all -you guys an gals missed a very good show at grafitti weekend in Roseburgh -more cars than ever before and alot that weve never seen before --- perfect weather also -- Leonard an judy DEEL wuz there with their beautiful black 56 belaire- Ron an Carla JOHNSON with their gorgeous 67 red Camaro---Alrite kids!!! --An URZ truly wuz ther with the 48 Raggy top--DINT sell it yet but got alot of lookerz--

[Ed. Note: Denny Galloway was driven in his purple people eater by Bob Dunlap 'cause Denny supposed to be taking it easy. They went on to the car auction with Bob Bennet while the Rob Van Slykes, Todd Van Slykes, Huffmans, and Maxene Grabe and grandson stopped at the car show on their way to start Cruise Oregon 2006 from Sandy, OR the next morning.]

**JULY JUBILEE:** Then onto the next weekend here at north Bend July jubalee -- It wuz a vey nice day -- several SCC CLUB memberz finally showd up an the event wuz very successful --The Mustang/Ford Club did a very good job putting the show on -- Lotz of prizes an the goody bags wuz very nice -- And then they had a car cruzz that evening -- Sunset classic chevy club wuz well attended an won several prizez -- Buddy An Rita MARSDEN won with there 35 choptop--MEE won with the raggy top--Leonard an Judy DEEL won a trophy (MAYORZ CHOICE) In the cruze-- An Ole Bobby Celli pigged out an Won A trophy In The Sho an The Cruze with hiz 52 belaire flamerhardtop Congrats Bobbie !!!!! --- An Guess WUT-- The Baronions WUN ---BEST OF SHOW with Thier 33 cheby --OLE SWEETPEA dun it again--CONGRADULATIONS you guyz Im Proud of UUUU-- AALLL--Whut A car club ---Is sure is neet to belong to the SUNSET CLASSIC CHEVYS ---- LOTZ of good frienz an good camaraderie- Wow Did I spell that Rite ???

**FOR SALE:** OK In The For Sale department ---Roger Haz a 55 cheby fo do for sale -- needz fixin --an a 56 fomoco fo do for sale --duznt need fixn --an a 68 MERCEDEZ 280sel FO SALE --- I got too much stuff make me an offer I cant rezist --Mite even sell sum of the other driverz TOOO-- Also a FRIEN--Yes I have a few of themm ---haz sum 56 chebby stuff --two new bumperz --sum chrome an stainless and electric wiring --new stuff --Call me at 541/888-0257.

Thas nuff for now--CEE YA NEX MUNTH ----Old Karr Crazy

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