

## Bingo On The River! – February 28 - March 1

### RAT Pack – RVrs Arriving Thursday

The RAT Pack arrived at the Premier RV Park Thursday afternoon to clear skies and bright sun with hopes that the promised rain would hold off for a few more days. First to arrive were Dennis & Jan S followed shortly by Dale & Pauline A and Terry & Judy D. As we were settling in, we were surprised to get a call from Larry & Anita N that they were on their way near Medford and were planning to join us for dinner and stay the night on their way back from Texas by way of California. They arrived around 6pm and after a few minutes of letting them get parked and settled in, we all headed off to find the Main Street Restaurant (our choice because it was in the Entertainment Book). After a long drive through Salem, we pulled into the parking lot and found the restaurant closed – permanently! Fortunately, we had passed a Marie Callender's on the way where we returned for a delicious dinner. We even had some key lime, custard, and chocolate pie for dessert. Sometime over dinner, we must have been convincing because Larry & Anita N decided to stay and join us for the remaining activities of the weekend.

### Friday Afternoon At The Museum

After continental breakfast in the Clubhouse and a leisurely morning, we set off to visit several local museums. Al & Rose G arrived just in time to join us. First, we went to the Jensen Arctic Museum located on the campus of Western Oregon University in Monmouth. This museum has a lot of artifacts and history of the Arctic region collected by Paul Jensen, a professor at the University. Saturday was the start of the annual Iditarod sled-dog race in Alaska; the museum had a special Internet connection which allowed us to learn a little about the race and what it takes to compete in this 11-day, 1100-mile race in temperatures that sometimes drop to 100 below.



*Arctic diorama at the Jensen Arctic Museum – just a few of the things we saw.*

Next, we went to the Polk County Museum. This museum was special to Pauline A because just inside the front entrance on prominent display was a seven-foot log truck model that her father made in 1985. Her family donated it to the museum in memory of her father. The museum proved very interesting to everyone and we realized we didn't allow enough time to see all the items on display. We learned that Dallas (Pauline's home town) about five miles away was originally named Cynthia Ann and was home to a lot of famous people including singer Johnny Ray, Oregon Governor & Senator Mark Hatfield, Oregon Senator Maurine Neuberger, and children's author Evelyn Sibley Lampman.

We drove back to Monmouth in the rain for a delicious dinner at J's restaurant. After we returned to the RV Park, some of us enjoyed a game of chicken foot in the clubhouse.



*This 7-foot log truck model was made by Pauline A's Dad in 1985.*

### Welcome Aboard The Willamette Queen!

After another leisurely continental breakfast in the clubhouse and some quiet time in our rigs, we carpooled to the dock in Salem where we were joined by Bill & Juanita L who drove down for the cruise. Dodging the raindrops, we boarded the Willamette Queen Sternwheeler along with about



*The Sternwheeler Willamette Queen waiting for us to board.*

20 other passengers for a lunch cruise on the Willamette River. Captain Richard and his crew made us feel at home as we learned about the history of Salem, sternwheelers on the Willamette, and more. Some of us even got to steer the boat and received an honorary Captain's certificate.

### B10 for Bingo!

Returning to the RV Park, we had time to catch a few winks before some of us gathered to play Farkle in the clubhouse. Then, it was time for a chili feed with delicious green salad, garlic bread, and plum cake –

### April Outing

## Fiesta & Fun Cannon Beach RV Park Cannon Beach, OR

April 18-20

- **Thursday – Happy Hour at Doogers for early arrivers**
- **Friday – Dinner at Mo's**
- **Saturday – Social Hour at Dale & Pauline A's beach cabin**
- **Saturday – Fiesta Time potluck at Club House**
- **Sunday – Goodbye Breakfast**

## Classic RV Club Business Meeting – February-March

In the absence of President Joe R, Vice President Duane A, and Treasurer John S, we decided to hold an informal "informational" meeting rather than a formal business meeting.

We had 5 rigs, 10 members on-site plus 2 additional members for the cruise, and 1 guest in attendance; Al and Rose G's granddaughter Ariel.

Birthdays for February and March: Chris S, Feb 4<sup>th</sup>; Michele K, Feb 8<sup>th</sup>; Doug W, Feb 20<sup>th</sup>; Dennis S, Feb 27<sup>th</sup>; Larry N, Mar 10<sup>th</sup>.

We discussed how to increase the attendance at campouts and how to ensure commitment. Also discussed that we need to increase our ac-

tive membership. We didn't reach any conclusions, just a lot of talk. We need to continue discussion on these items in the future.

Jan S announced that for the August outing at Rest-A-While in Hoodspport, we need to pay by check or cash if we want the discount; payment by credit card will be at full price.

Next outing will be "Fiesta & Fun" at Cannon Beach RV Resort April 18-20

Submitted by Dale A, Club Secretary



*Classic RV Clubbers ready for lunch on the Willamette Queen.*



*Captain Larry N making sure we're on course.*



*Wagonmaster Jan S – out front checking out where we're going.*

sure have some good cooks in the club! Al & Rose G's granddaughter Ariel joined us for chili and stayed for bingo and games that followed.

There were ten of us to play many varieties of bingo including regular bingo, railroad tracks, small picture frame, and large picture frame until everyone won at least one game and had the opportunity to chose from the exciting white-elephant gifts – candles seemed to predominate this year but there were some "real" prizes among the white elephants including a hot-chocolate kit, a steam iron, and some homemade jam. We ended with blackout bingo where three lucky people got to chose a second gift. A few stayed after to play another round of chicken foot and Farkle.

## Sunday Breakfast and Farewell Until Next Time

After the third morning of bagels, muffins, pastries, and fruit for continental breakfast, we were looking for a change – but that will have to wait until next outing! What we did have was some lively conversation and visiting until it was time to start packing up for the trip home. And the cooks appreciated a few days off from having to prepare another breakfast.

So it was farewell until Cannon Beach as one-by-one we drove out of the park and up the freeway toward home. We left with memories of another fun Classic RV Club outing – wished all of you could have been there!

## Classic RV News Extra

After our last campout, we started a new feature. Within a few days after each campout, we will send out a "quick" email newsletter to remind those who couldn't attend the last outing about the next upcoming outing, location, dates, hosts, deposit required, and deadlines. It should be particularly helpful to keep you informed if you are traveling but remain in email contact.

If you didn't get the email News Extra about March 5<sup>th</sup>, maybe we don't have your current email address on file – several addresses did "bounce" and we couldn't find updates. Give Dale A a call or send an email with your correct email address.

## Treasurer's Report

<b>Beginning Balance</b>	<b>\$508.21</b>
Receipts	
Dues	<u>\$100.00</u>
Total Receipts	<u>\$100.00</u>
Total Available	\$608.21
Expenditures	
Supplies	<u>(\$111.27)</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>(\$111.27)</u>
<b>Ending Balance</b>	<b>\$496.94</b>

Submitted by John S, Club Treasurer

## 2008 Activity Preview

Classic RV Club activities scheduled for upcoming months

Date	Location	Hosts	Deposit
Apr 17-20	Cannon Beach RV Park Cannon Beach, OR	Frank/Dianne John/Bonnie	\$21.83
May 29-Jun1	Mallard Creek RV Park Lebanon, OR	Dale/Pauline John/Elaine	\$30.00
Jul 10-13	Belknap Hot Springs RV Park McKenzie Bridge, OR	Frank/Judy Larry/Anita	\$27.25
Aug 21-24	Rest-A-While RV Park Hoodspport, WA	Jerry/Michele Joe/Judie	\$25.20
Oct 2-5	Seven Feathers RV Park Canyonville, OR	Open	\$27.00
Dec 7 (Sun)	Oak Tree Restaurant Woodland, WA	Jan	

1. Prices subject to change; final prices posted on signup sheet.
  2. Deposit is due at the preceding campout; if you cannot attend preceding campout, get your deposit to the host in advance.
  3. If you decide to attend campout after registrations are sent in, you must call the RV park directly; also let the host know you plan to attend.
- For additional information on activities listed above or for additional scheduled activities, check the Activity page on the Classic RV Club webpage:  
[www.classicRVclub.org](http://www.classicRVclub.org).