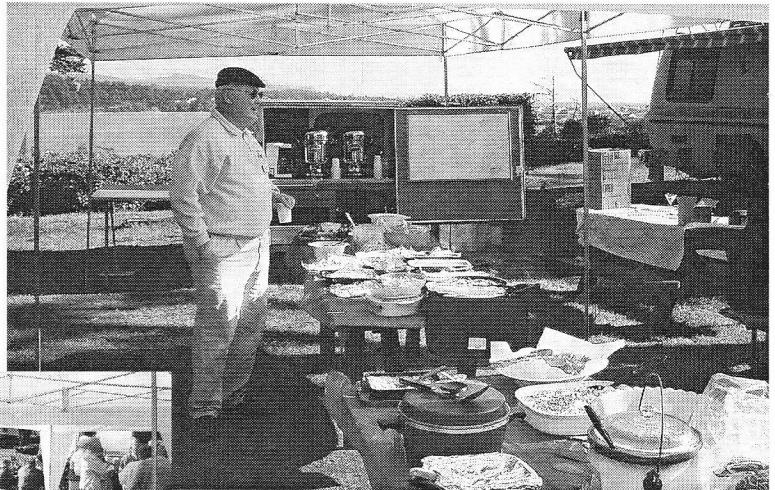


Windy Luau Highlights Waldport Rally

Friday, June 4th, 30 Cascader coaches met at Waldport, Oregon's lovely KOA Campground for a Cascader luau. Most of the campsites had a fine view of the bay, Waldport, and the Bridge. We were greeted by fabulous weather Thursday and Friday. The campground's club house was too small so we set up the club tent in one of the great view sites. The Cascader pot luck was held under the tent. As usual the Cascaders do a wonderful job with potlucks. Enthusiastic visiting filled the time before and after dinner. Later in the evening, Mexican Train dominos appeared and those die-hard Domino players were playing again.

Saturday, June 5th, began with a continental breakfast. After breakfast the ladies gathered in the club house. Nancy Pellegrino instructed a class on making bead necklaces for badges, glasses, etc.

The men gathered near the tent for a Tech session (*below*). Gene Fisher, Western States Technical VP showed up for the session. He explained how his new device installed on the alternator, can prevent

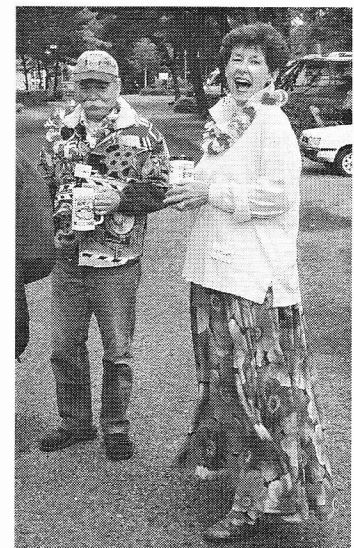


Above—Host Rod Price surveys Friday's potluck, the club trailer and the view of the bay. Left—The clan gathers for a Friday's potluck with perfect weather and great food.



dash fires. Other topics were bogie greasers, fuel injection, carburetors, and several other topics. Gene Fisher informed the Cascader men that he was stepping down from his Technical VP position and that our own Cascader Jerry Work will be replacing Gene. Congratulations, Jerry; we know you will do an outstanding job.

Saturday afternoon we were free to do what we would like to do. Some walked to the bay, some walked over the bridge to Waldport, and others drove to Newport for shopping and lunch.



Hawaiian attire was the order of the day.



NEXT RALLY

DATES	LOCATION	SITE	HOSTS
August 6-9	Coeur d'Alene, ID	Rockin B ranch & Blackwell Island	Hensley & Thornhill

For information on more rallies, see back page.

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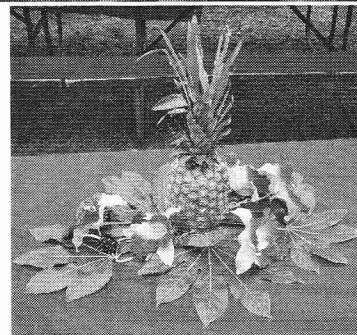
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Right—
Walt Ovens
does the
honors of
serving up the
roast pig!



Below, right—
Beautiful table
decor sets the
theme for the
luau.



At 5 P.M., the Cascaders gathered at the club tent, for the luau dinner. Table decor set the tone with brightly colored table cloths, pineapples, and flowers; Cascaders dressed in colorful Hawaiian attire. A strong wind had come up, causing us to anchor the tent, weight the table cloths, and hang on tight. Denny Allen moved his coach next to the tent to block some of the wind.



Above and left—
Hula lessons
make technical seminars take a
back seat.
Hula instructor Gloria Morris
encourages her charges.

At 6 P.M. our luau pig arrived. The caterers had another luau to serve at the same time as the Cascaders, so our own meat expert Walter Ovens carved the pig. Thank you, Walt, you did a great job.

Along with the pig our luau dinner included baked beans, cole slaw, potato salad, corn muffins and a delicious pineapple upside-down cake. Mother Nature decided to pay us a visit about the time we were ready to eat. But it did not spoil our dinner.



Resourceful Cascaders just brought out the umbrellas. The luau was delicious.

When we were finished with the luau, we went to the club house for some hula lessons. Our instructor was Kamomamoma Gloria Morris. Gloria did an excellent job. Three groups learned the hula, but the best group was Dave Carter, Bill Guise, and Terry Morris (*right*). These three were so funny that members said their faces hurt from laughing so hard, with tears running down their cheeks... a great evening of fun. When the laughing and tears stopped, the diehard Domino players were at it again.

Sunday, June 6th, and the wind was still blowing. We squeezed into the club house for a Continental breakfast.

In the absence of a business meeting, a few announcements and thank you's wrapped up the rally. A note from Elaine Fry sent her best. It was mentioned that Bill Foote had had by pass surgery. To climax the weekend, the wind blew a large tree branch onto Ken and Jean Wilsons'



Three Hawaiian beauties — the darlings of the hula class, Terry Morris, Dave Carter and Bill Guise

coach! The campground got a crew to remove the branch. Luckily, the branch had twisted as it fell and only bumped the top of the coach causing no damage to the coach.

We all said good-byes and see-you-at-next-rally.

Wagonmaster's Note:

What a wonderful rally... Thank you, Rod and Maurrie Price. Gaynor and I liked it so much we stayed another day. New faces and some we haven't seen in a long while make these rallies neat. Not to say anything about the climactic finish of the tree trying to keep the Wilsons from leaving.

Good News! Cannon Beach is a "go" for December. Now that '04 rallies are going fine, we need to look at our '05 schedule. Come on, step forward; we need rally hosts for Feb., April, Aug., and Oct. We already have locations and hosts for June and Dec. Of our 150+ members we should be able to find someone that can locate a nice place for a rally. It's easy... find a location and invite us all to come. You don't need anything special going on; good friends are all the fun.

Now, the hard sell... FMCA International in Redmond, OR, Aug. 16-20. Try to make this one if at all possible. I went to the Redmond fairgrounds last week and saw where they have us parking. WOW! Right in the middle of everything, center stage with electric hookups, next to the arena. FMCA planners have 100 spaces set aside for us. Let's see how many we can fill, at this time I only have 15 committed. I know we can do better than that. Entertainment schedule is top notch: Wayne Newton, Kingston Trio, Brothers Four, etc.

Thank You, Larry Calhoun

Added note: Karen Kershaw had a bad fall, broke her left hip, and had to have surgery to repair the damage. This was several days after the rally. We all wish Bill Foote and Karen Kershaw speedy recoveries.



Alaska Rally Rolling On

What ever happened to those hardy Cascaders who decided to go north for the summer? If you have checked in on the Cascader website, you know some of the events along the road. This is the third major trip that Dave Ireland has put together for GMC Cascaders. Dave's planning has once more assured good lodging, driveable distances each day and wonderful sights and locales to visit. At this writing, all 14 coaches are heading toward Denali National Park following 4 days of exploring Fairbanks.

A technical hero award goes to Terry and Joanne Boyd, the 14th coach to join the caravan. En route to the Williams Lake start point, Terry lost his engine in southern BC. Returning to Washington, he installed a reserve engine himself and they started north again. Four days and 2000 miles later, Terry and Joanne caught up with the group in Dawson City, Yukon Territory!

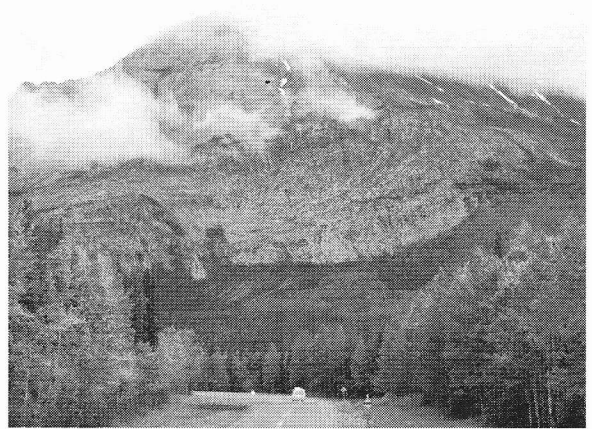
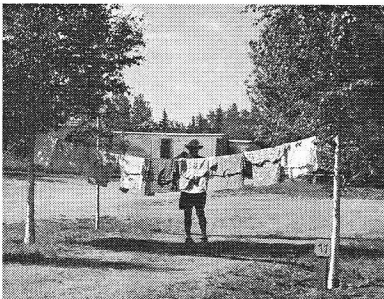
We have enjoyed many wildlife sightings besides the one of the Boyds pulling into the RV park at Dawson City. Photos of some of them are possible; many wonderful critters are too shy and too quick to capture through the lens. So far the list includes deer, moose, bear, Stone sheep, coyotes, foxes, lynx, porcupine and many large birds. The flower enthusiasts can regale you with their finds; identification books have been flying back and forth between plant experts.

Shoppers have collected everything from gifts for family to quilt fabric and marvelous meals. It is harvest season (tourist dollars, that is) for the area entrepreneurs and the process is enjoyed by all.

Scenery takes our breath away as our photos attest. For the past week, forest fire smoke has also affected our breathing. We have actually driven right through smoldering forest between Dawson City and Tok. This morning, the smoke is the bleakest yet; we are enveloped in a yellow pall. The smell is heavy in our nostrils. Weather reports indicate little chance for much change at Denali for several more days. Good-bye to hopes for clear shots of Mt. McKinley!

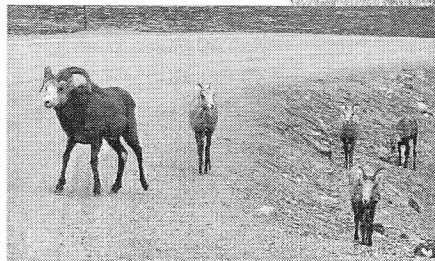
Watch for color photos on the club website soon. Reports on the rest of the journey will also appear on the website.

Left — When RV park dryers fail, Bill Hardin demonstrates far north survival skills.



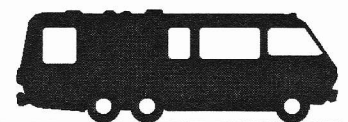
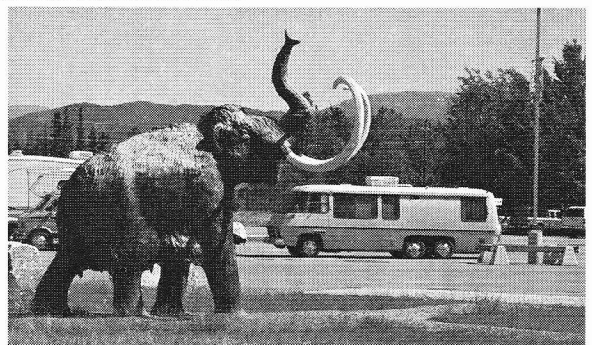
Above — Crossing the Rockies, folded geologic formations dwarf Baxter's coach.

Below — The Moose Brothers cooperate by feeding just next to the road. Sprouting antlers are just making their appearance for the year.



Left — Stone sheep come down to the highway to lick salt and other minerals from the roadway.

Below — A woolly mammoth treats a GMC at the Whitehorse Berengia Museum.





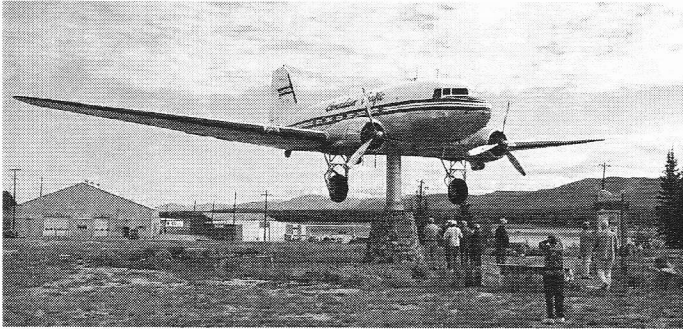
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Carl Gwynn

Carl died on June 4th, 2003.

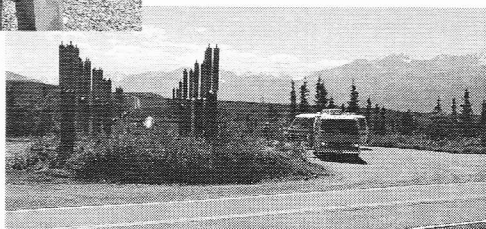
Jean reported that after 30 years of fighting heart disease, Carl succumbed to cancer. At Carl's request, there were no services and burial took place at the family plot in Thermopolis, WY. Jean is moving to her new home in Clarkston, WA.

Cascaders remember Carl for his quiet, effective leadership and for the valuable women's driving seminar that Carl and Jean sponsored at the rally they hosted several years ago. We will miss Carl and hope to see Jean at future rallies.



Above and left — The Transportation Museum in Whitehorse displays a DC-3 as a weathervane. The plane was piloted many times for Canada Pacific Airlines by our own Doug Cook. Stewardess Elaine Cook also served aboard. The museum's representative appeared to greet the Cooks and photograph them in front of "their" plane.

Right — Our first look at the famous Alaska pipeline just outside of Fairbanks.



Waldport rally attendees:

Allen, Denny & Fran	Morris, Terry & Gloria
Barrie, Buck & Roses	Ovens, Walter
Calhoun, Larry & Gaynor	Pellegrino, Mike & Nancy
Carter, David & Joanne	Price, Rod & Maurrie
Dietz, Kelvin & Cindy	Rarick, Dan & Nancy
Duniap, Bob & Chris	Rowland, Bill & Jessie
Evans, Eldon & Joyce	Singleton, Phil & Wendy
Groth, Ray & Bev	Smith, Bob & Elizabeth
Guise, Bill & Peggy	Snow, Gene & Dixie
Hastie, Ernie	Wenzek, George & Sallee
Hove, Carl & Helen	Wilson, Ken & Jean
Kershaw, Chet & Karen	Winchester, Dan & Carol
Krebs, Walter & Jerry	Wittenbecher, Heinz & Louise
Leitch, Fred & Ruth	Wold, Les & Bunny
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A Note from the Waldport Hosts:

A big thanks to all the co-hosts and helpers at the Waldport Rally.

Since we didn't have a business meeting where we could thank everyone, we'd like to take this opportunity to say what a great job our members did to keep challenging weather from stopping the camaraderie we have at a rally. Our grateful thanks to co-hosts Terry and

Gloria Morris, Fred and Ruth Leitch, Chet and Karen Kershaw and Ray & Bev Groth. Also, we sincerely appreciate Nancy Pellegrino's session for the ladies, Walt Owen's excellent job in carving the pig and everyone else who pitched in wherever needed.

We hope everyone enjoyed themselves. We enjoyed seeing old friends and meeting new ones. Rod & Maurrie Price

RALLY SCHEDULE 2004

DATES	LOCATION	SITE	HOSTS
Cascader Alaska Rally			
June 7-Aug 5	BC, Yukon T., Alaska	Prince George and back	Ireland
August 6-9	Coeur d'Alene, ID,	Blackwell Island RV	Hensley & Thornhill
FMCA International rally			
August 16-20	Redmond, OR	Deschutes Co. Fairgrounds	
September 24-26	Clarkston, ID	Granite Lake RV	Kragt & Preston
GMC International			
October 3-8	Marion, NC		
Western States rally			
October 5-10	Albuquerque, NM	Balloon Festival	GMC Western States
December 3-5	Canon Beach, OR	Canon Beach RV	Volunteers needed!

Call Wagonmaster Larry Callhoun (360-679-3724) to volunteer for 2005 rallies
...fellow hosts will appear!

