

November 2003

## Wine, Wagons, and Dancing Highlight the Toppenish Rally

by Terry Morris

Photo by Hardin



Cascaders enjoyed beautiful, clear, skies and warm weather at the Yakama Nation RV Resort in Toppenish, WA, from October 3 through 5.

Friday started out with coffee and donuts, rolls, and fruit to get us going for the day. Soon after

breakfast we piled into two large busses (*above*) for our winery tour. Wine tasting happened at four area wineries: Tefft Cellars, Bonair Winery, Hyatt Vineyards, and Silver Lake at Roza Hills. Each winery had eight to ten types of wine to taste. The owner of the Bonair

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*Above— Mrs. Puryear teaches us to look, slosh, sniff, sip and “chew” wine samples!*  
*Right— Bonair tasting room.*

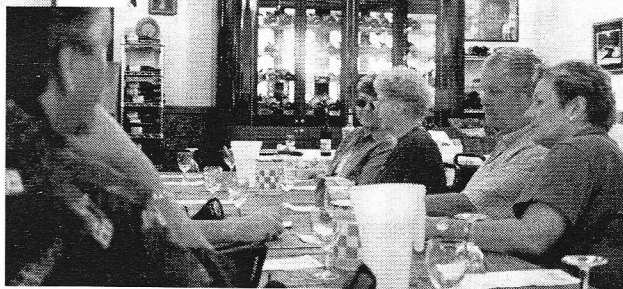
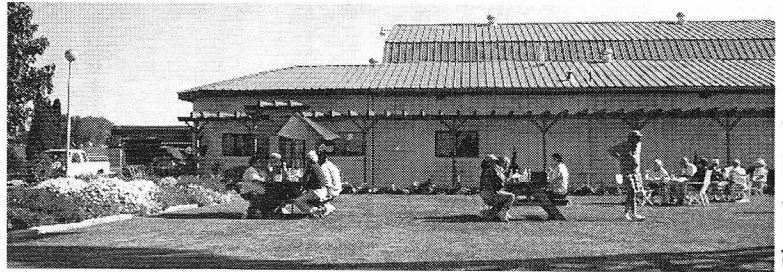


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*Above— Lunch on the lawn.*

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*Right— Tefft Cellars tasting room sees plenty of action.*



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*Left— Trying out the “sip and chew” method.*

Winery gave us a demonstration on the proper way to taste wine. She explained the how and why of wine color, bottle shape, and serving protocols. She was very interesting and informative and answered a lot of questions posed by curious Cascaders. The group enjoyed a delicious box lunch provided by Pioneer Kitchen on the beautiful grounds of the Hyatt Vineyards. The busses returned to the campground midafternoon with lots of happy Cascaders with wine onboard.

### NEXT RALLY

DATES	LOCATION	SITE	Hosts
December 5-7, '03	Burnaby, BC	Burnaby Cariboo RV Resort	Smith & Cook

For information on more rallies, see back page.

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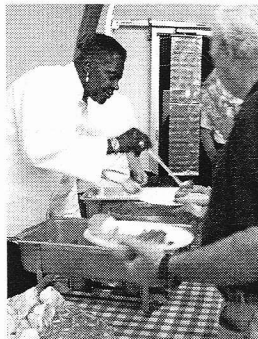
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The rest of the afternoon was spent visiting, swimming in the pool, and walking. Several Cascaders took advantage of the exercise path around the campground. Soon, Miz Dees Southern Cooking catering group arrived to serve dinner in the dome.



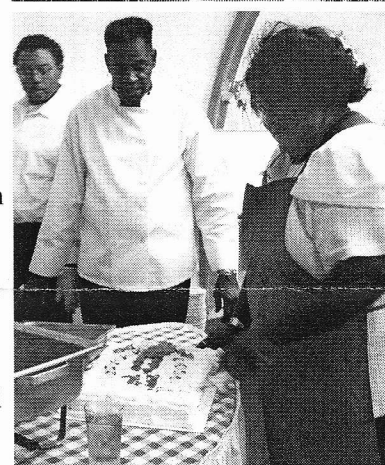
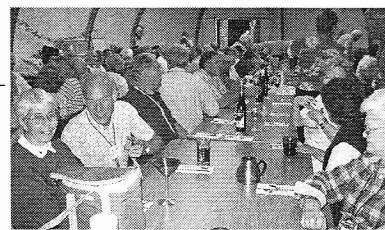
Right 3 images—  
Confusion over  
the dinner time  
created a long  
wait at the tables.

Left—But when  
it came, that  
jambolaya was  
delicious.

Friday's buffet dinner was hosted by the club in celebration of its 20 year anniversary of the GMC Cascaders. (Above) Miz Dees served Jambalaya in two forms — hot and hotter! (Right) The very tasty "hot stuff" was followed by a club birthday cake.

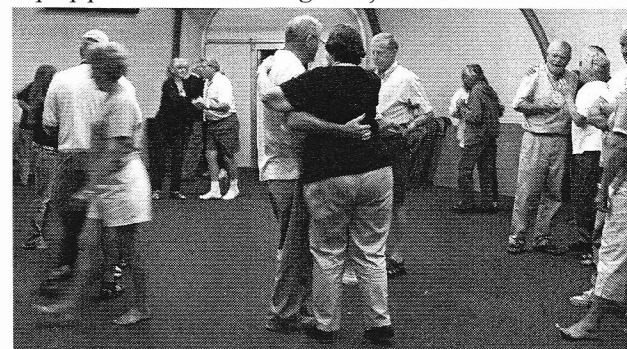
When the buffet dinner was finished, volunteers quickly cleared away the tables and chairs to make room for our dance class. Instructor Rod Price demonstrated tips on how to lead and how to follow. He showed the basic steps for swing, cha cha, and tango. We had such a good time dancing that Rod was asked to do more dance instruction in the future.

Rod's former role as dance instructor for Arthur Murray equipped him to do a great job.

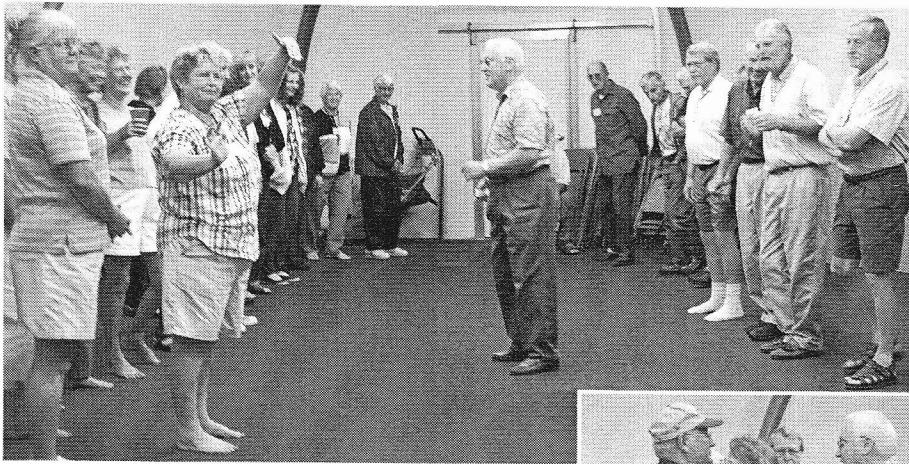


Above—Miz Dees husband/cook had no trouble mixing it up with Rod.

Left—Some Cascaders were into the 'swing' of things right away, too.



All dance photos by Hardin



Upper left— Attentive students and clear demonstrations are no guarantee of immediate skill and grace.

Above— Soon, many succeed.

Left— But, not without a certain amount of individual attention! Maurrie Price is also a practiced hand, giving a few tips to the "gents to help out.



explained the significance of each mural and described how the artist(s) had produced

A beautiful, sunny, Saturday morning greeted Cascaders. Continental breakfast in the dome prepared all for the first event of the day—Toppenish mural viewing.

Photo by Hardin



it. He also pointed out several historic buildings as we rolled past. Along with his knowledge of the murals he kept us laughing with his humor.

During one of the rides, Jim returned to his stables with the wagon full of GMCers to swap out his old team of 11 years of service for a fresh, young team of Norwegian fjord horses (right, upper and lower). Interested Cascaders watched as Jim turned his faithful greys into the corral for the last time so they could begin a well-earned retirement on his ranch.

The tour passengers thought it was quite a sentimental moment but the old horses took the occasion in stride with no fuss.

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Above left and left— sweet rolls, donuts, fresh fruit, and juices are just a good excuse for more visiting.

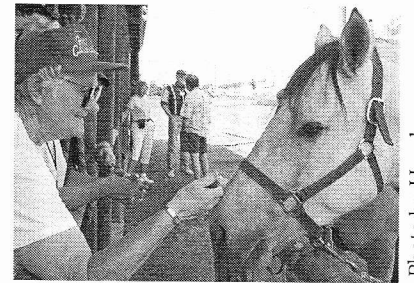
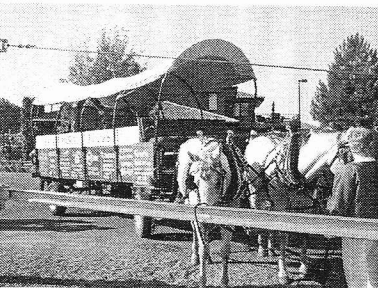


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The first group boarded a horse-drawn wagon to tour the murals of Toppenish shortly after breakfast. Our tour guides were Jim Duke and his horses, Jack and Jill (left).

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Jim was very knowledgeable about the murals, having spent most of his life in the area. He



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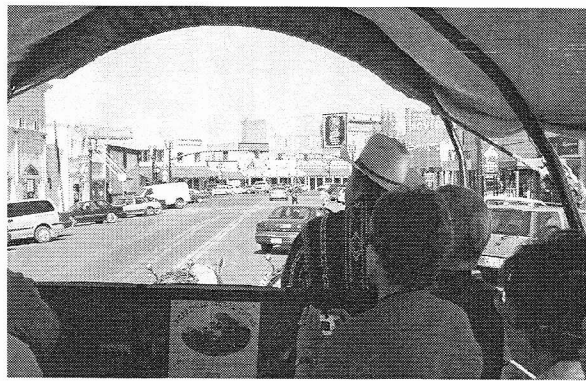
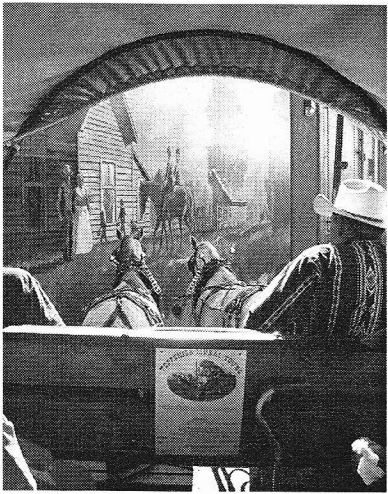


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## Just a few of the Murals of Toppenish



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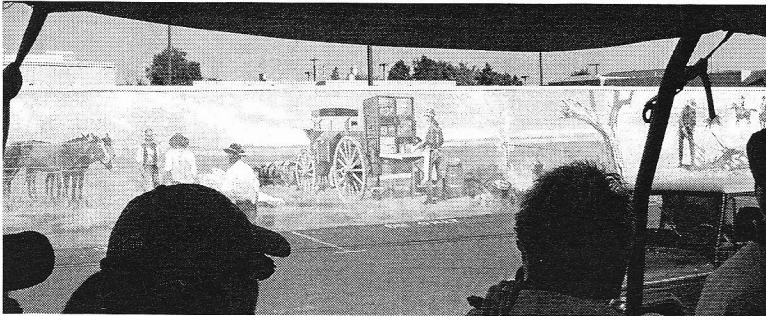


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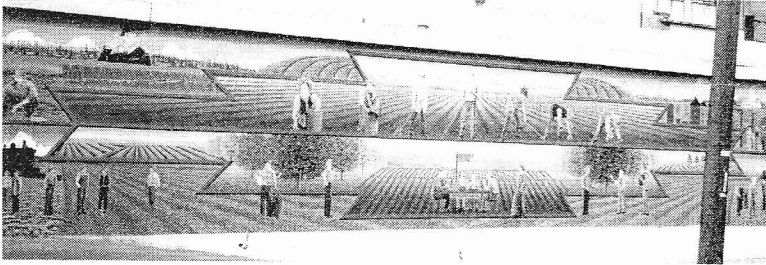


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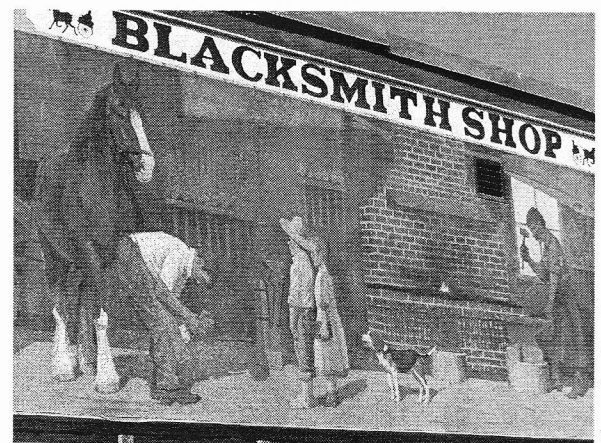
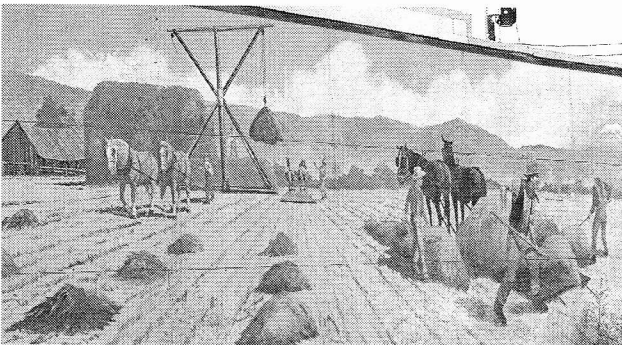


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Our hosts had saved Saturday afternoon for Cascaders to do as they wished. At 2:00 p.m., Denny Allen put on a seminar at Tim Jones' coach on how to replace a CV boot (*Sorry, no pictures*). He demonstrated the proper way to tighten the bands on the boot.

Some Cascaders took advantage of the nearby shopping; others gathered to do crafts, gab or munch goodies (something Cascaders do best).

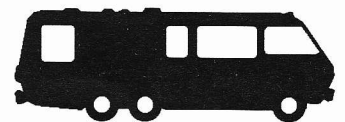




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Saturday evening took us to the Yakama Nation Cultural Heritage Center for a delicious catered buffet dinner. When we completed our meal, a talented young group of Native Americans entertained the club with their dances (*above*). Beautiful costumes and throbbing drums contributed to a real cultural treat. They performed several native forms of dance language, with very impressive interpretations of *America the Beautiful* and *The Lord's Prayer*. Their native attire was spectacular. The performance received a standing ovation from a very appreciative crowd.

Sunday morning we awoke to some clouds that soon cleared off to welcome a very nice day. The business meeting followed another continental breakfast and the club was soon on the road home. We look forward to seeing each other in British Columbia in December.

Special thanks to our team of capable hosts: Ragsdales, Prices, Cathy Cupples and Baxters. It takes a lot of planning to create a smooth-running, entertaining rally and this crew certainly did a super job..

## Coaches for Sale

Check the website for details on the following coaches.

1976 Birchhaven—23' North Bend WA,  
Contact Doris Mast—360-708-9653 (cell)

1978 Royale—\$29,000 OBO  
Contact Paul & Rita Morton 360-377-1204 (H), 360-731-0089 (cell), email: ritamorton@msn.com

1976 GMC Eleganza—Reduced to \$10,000  
Bob & Arlene Lawrence, Tacoma/Ocean Shores, WA —  
360-239-1429 (cell) or adhouse05@earthlink.net

1976 Eleganza II—26' \$25,000.00, Kent, WA.  
Contact Cathy Cupples—253-631-6680

## FLAG ETIQUETTE...by John Gruenewald

The information given here is summarized from the *Federal Flag Code, Public Law 623, adopted in 1942.*

- The flag is displayed daily from sunrise to sunset except during inclement weather.
- It may be displayed at night, if lighted.
- It is flown from a fixed staff, i.e. not draped.
- No other flag should be placed above or to the right of the U S flag. The right is referenced as the flag's own right or the observer's left.
- The U S flag is always above state flags or other pennants flown on the same staff.
- When displayed with flags of other nations, they are flown at the same height from separate staffs. The flags should be the same approximate size.
- The U S flag may be flown in a group with other flags when placed in the center and above all others.

I could find no reference dealing with flying the U.S. flag in foreign countries e.g. Canada. Neither could I find information for Canadians displaying their colors in the U.S. I would suggest that using the protocol of your own country would be safe. You probably would not be sued or sent to jail.

### Accessing GMC "Sister" Clubs?

Use email and the web as follows:

Eastern States website ..... www.gmceast.com  
Western States website ..... www.gmcws.org  
Western States email ..... :tweir@pacbell.net  
International website ..... www.gmcmi.com  
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## Cascader Email Directory

Our GMC Cascader News Email Directory reports email addresses of newcomers on the internet and changes to existing email addresses. Please note, we can publish only one email address per household.

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If you would like to add yourself to the list or make a change in your current listing, SEND YOUR INFORMATION TO BOTH:

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## MINUTES—Oct. 5, 2003

**President's Message**—President Tim Jones called the meeting to order at 9:06 a.m. in the dome of the Yakama Nations RV Park, Toppenish, WA, on Sunday, October 5, 2003. Tim thanked rally hosts Ken and Becky Ragsdale, Bill and Peggy Guise, Rod and Maurrie Price, George and Carol Baxter and Cathy Cupples.

Tim welcomed guests: Cathy Cupples' granddaughter Chanelle, D.J. Eberhart's sister Kathe and Bunny Wold's twin sister Gerry.

### Rally attendees:

Denny & Fran Allen	Al & Janet Kruebbe
George & Carol Baxter	Fred & Ruth Leitch
Ed & Louise Blaise	Doris Mast
Alan & Margaret Bovee	Joe & Rose McMichael
Larry & Gaynor Calhoun	John & Lauree Miller
Cathy Cupples & Chanelle	Terry & Gloria Morris
Thom & Gail Daun	Walt Ovens
Bob & Christiane Dunlap	Mike & Nancy Pellegrino
DJ, Barbie & Kathe Eberhart	Don & Luana Perry
Chuck & Jane Field	Del & Vi Preston
Gordon & Carol Frydenlund	Rod & Maurrie Price
Gary & Gloria Gibbs	Ken & Becky Ragsdale
Ray & Bev Groth	Joe & Yvonne Sawtell
John & Vera Gruenewald	Robert & Elizabeth Smith
Bill & Peggy Guise	Dave & Sue Snow
Bob & Sylvia Gummersall	Gene & Dixie Snow
Bill & Pris Hardin	Ted & Jane Swanson
Ernie Hastie	Tom & Margie Thompson
Joe & Jeanie Hensley	Wayne & Sherry Thornhill
Ken & Pat Heuvel	Ed & Hedy Ulmer
Carl & Helen Hove	George & Sallee Wenzek
Tim & Cass Jones	Ken & Jean Wilson
Harvey & Elaine Kragt	Les & Bunny Wold & Gerry

**Secretary's Report**—Secretary Cass Jones asked for corrections or additions to the minutes of the August 17, 2003, business meeting as published in the September 2003 newsletter. Motion to approve the minutes as published made by Barbie Eberhart (M) and seconded by Alan Bovee (S), motion passed (P).

Cass also reported renewal notices are out and due back October 31, 2003.

**Treasurer's Report**—Treasurer Helen Hove reported a club balance of \$5,476.05. Current membership is 172.

**First Vice President's Report**—Vice President Bill Guise reported George Baxter sent thank you notes to the hosts of our last rally and sympathy cards to Joy Sunderland on Bud's passing and Elaine Fry on Bob's passing. Bob Dunlap said they did not receive a thank you card for the Wallace rally. Bill thanked them.

Bill reminded everyone to be sure and let him know of any club member needing a get well message.

### **Second Vice President (Wagonmaster) Report**—

Wagonmaster Larry Calhoun reported on the upcoming rallies:

2003—December 5–7, Burnaby, BC Burnaby Cariboo RV Resort—Cooks & Smiths

2004—February, Sequim, WA—Pelligrinos

2004—April, Portland, OR, area

2004—June, Waldport, OR, KOA—Prices

2004—July 4–5, Arlington Fly-In—Gibbs

2004—August, Spokane area—Thornhills/Hensleys

2004—Sept 24–26, Lewiston/Clarkston, ID—Kragts/Prestons

2004—December, Oregon possibly

2005—Sometime during the year a rolling rally

### **ON-GOING BUSINESS:**

Western States—Spring 2004: March 15–20 Emerald Desert RV Resort, Palm Desert, CA. Fall 2004: October 5–10 Balloon Festival, Albuquerque, NM. Spring 2005: March 21–26 Gold Canyon, Apache Junction, AZ. Fall 2005: Kerry Tandy. Spring 2006: Possibly Oregon. Fall 2006: Colorado

GMC International—Fall 2003: October 12–17, Goshen, IN. Spring 2004: March 21–26, Silverton RV Resort, Las Vegas, NV. Fall 2004: October 3–8, Marion, ND.

Eastern States—no report

FMCA—National Director Ken Wilson reported on the election of the new FMCA officers and the medical emergency that happened at the Western States rally. Ken stressed that everyone needs to read the medical benefits you have through FMCA. Cass also mentioned from the Western States rally she learned you should always carry a business card or something from the RV park in which you are staying in case you have an accident or fall ill away from your coach.

Bob Gummersall then addressed three issues he is working on for FMCA. He explained the large cost that goes into producing the December FMCA published listing. He then asked how many use the directory and if you could get it over the internet would you use it that way. He then discussed the FMCA Black List. This list is similar to the GMC black list; you may add your name to the list. If you need help you may call the 800 number or use the website and find someone close who will help with mechanical info, have a place to stay, etc. Bob also asked if there were a couple who could help at the FMCA booth at the RV show in Tacoma, Thursday afternoon.



# IN MEMORIAM

Bob Fry

November, 1926—September, 2003

Robert Lloyd Fry spent most of his life in the Pacific Northwest from Grants Pass, where he grew up and attended school, to Bremerton, WA, where the family was stationed when he served in the Navy. A dedicated father of five, he volunteered in many civic, masonic and family-oriented clubs and organizations.

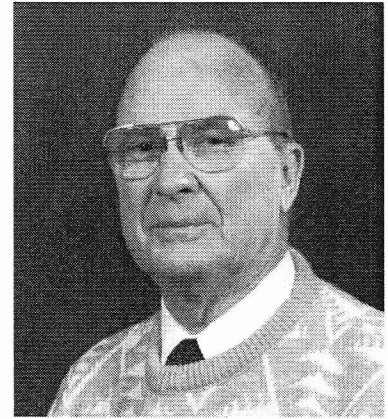
Throughout his career, he worked in and around mechanical and automotive businesses from a 15-year career at Boeing Aircraft to employment in a car dealership, an auto parts business, as manager and then owner of a gas station and as owner of an RV park. In 1978, the Frys moved to a 16-acre site near Beavercreek, Oregon.

Bob was always ready, willing and able to work on vehicles—his and anyone else's. Bob's romance with the combustion engine and with the world of RVs led him from owning a vacation trailer to a truck/camper combination and finally to purchasing a brand, new 1977 GMC motorhome.

He became actively involved in the GMC motor home repair business—a "Guru of GMC repair." Bob and Elaine became charter members of the GMC Cascaders and attended nearly all of the rallies down through the years. Bob was generous with his knowledge of GMCs and led many technical seminars for the club.

As a fitting tribute to one of our staunchest members, a large number of GMC Cascaders attended the funeral services for Bob in Oregon City, Oregon. Some traveled many, many miles to be there. Bob's family paid homage to Bob's love affair with the GMC motorhome by parking the family coach outside of the church and as the casket was carried from the sanctuary the musical horn's cheerful "On the Road Again" tune rang out as it had at the close of so many GMC Cascader rallies.

We will miss Bob's wit and mechanical skills greatly... Happy Trails, Bob.



Merchandise—Terry Morris has hats (\$15), club jackets (\$28), decals (\$5), and flags (\$20) for sale. Terry is also going to look into a new style for the jackets and hats. Jessie Rowland has club sweatshirts (\$22, if you pick up at a rally and \$26 if shipped). Jessie is looking into having the grey sweatshirt done with a full zipper front with the stand-up collar. Denny Allen has rubber stamps (\$5); you supply the ink pad. Contact Glenn Diers for belt buckles.

## OLD BUSINESS:

Website: Bill Guise reported all is going well.

## NEW BUSINESS:

Tim reported to the membership that George Baxter was named Kiwanian of the Year for Vashon Island. Please let us know if you know of anyone who has won an honor.

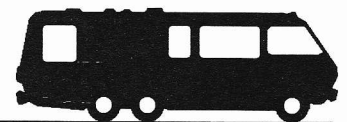
Cass introduced Terry Morris as the new Copy Editor for the Newsletter. "Thank you" went to Bill Guise for his help last issue. Terry reported all digital photos are to go to Pris. PLEASE EDIT THE NUM-

BER OF DIGITAL PHOTOS TO PRIS. Please, don't just download all photos and send to Pris. It takes too much time to download from the internet. Please send only the best ones and include a listing of WHAT THE PHOTOS DESCRIBE. If she was not there she doesn't know what they are about. Send hardcopy photo prints to Terry. Deadline for newsletter: October 20th.

Margaret Bovee asked what the definition of "Life" member was and she could find no explanation in the by-laws. Definition was given by club secretary and there will be a report next meeting on the subject.

Adjournment (M/S/P) Bob Gummersall/Fran Allen  
Meeting adjourned at 10:12 am.

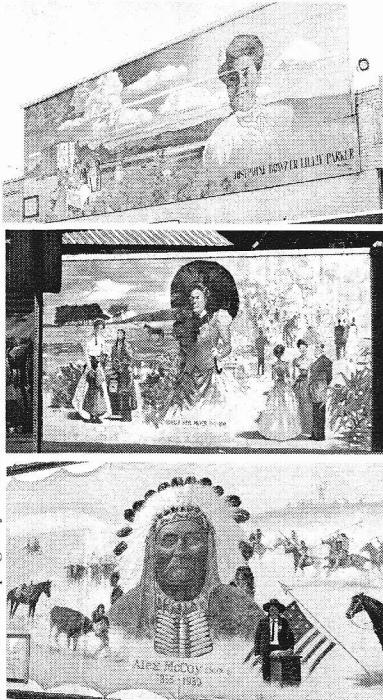
Respectfully submitted,  
Cassandra Jones, Secretary.



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## RALLY SCHEDULE 2003-04

DATES	LOCATION	SITE	Hosts
December 5-7, '03	Burnaby, BC	Burnaby Cariboo RV Resort	Smith & Cook
February, '04	Squim, WA	TBA	Pelligrino
April	Portland, OR	TBA	Sawtell
June	Waldport, OR	TBA	Price
<b>Unofficial Cascader event</b>			
June 31-Aug	Alaska	Prince George and back	Ireland
July 4-5	Arlington, WA	Arlington Air Show	Gibbs
August	Spokane, WA	TBA	Hensley & Thornhill
<b>FMCA International rally</b>			
August 16-20	Redmond, OR	Dsschutes Co. Fairgrounds	
September 24-26	Clarkston/Lewiston	TBA	Kragt & Preston
<b>Western States rally</b>			
October 5-10	Albuquerque, NM	Balloon Festival	GMC Western States
December '04	Oregon area	TBA	<i>Hosts needed</i>

Call Wagonmaster Larry Calhoun (360-679-3724) to volunteer for December '04 ...fellow hosts will appear!

