Great Escape #59 (Redding, CA) June 1, 2008

Dear Friends.

Greetings from Redding, CA.

After we left Yosemite, we spent three days in **Sacramento** in hopes of visiting with many of our old friends who live in that area. We were able to hook up and have lunch with **Kathy**, an old IRS pal of Donna's. The rest of our friends were unavailable or out of touch for one reason or another. Chuck's birthday was May 29 and we felt we had to do something fun and interesting with or without friends. Going online to the Chamber of Commerce will usually produce an interesting idea and wow, there it was.

We immediately signed up to take a tour of downtown Sacramento aboard Segways.



Chuck and Donna on Segways at Sacramento River.

We got about 45 minutes of training and then it was off down the sidewalks and across the streets. We had our instructor in the lead and three of us ducklings following in single file. The tour itself lasted about 2.5 hours. The joy of learning to ride one of these very unusual machines is the uniqueness of the experience. Nothing in your life is anything like a Segway. It is a completely new and different experience. If you like adventure and doing new things, then we heartily recommend a Segway tour. The cost was \$80 each. If you want to know more, <a href="https://www.hystericalwalks.com">www.hystericalwalks.com</a> has the answers.

We also discovered a brew pub and grill within a couple of blocks of where the Segway

tour starts and ends. They have wonderful beers, full bar, excellent wine, and absolutely superb food. The best we have ever eaten in a brew pub. The name is **Brew It Up!** and it is located at 14th and H, Sacramento, CA. Before the tour, we had beer, soup, and a half sandwich. It was so good, we went right back after the tour for more. All in all, it was a great birthday.

Now we are in Redding, CA, at our usual spot in our favorite RV park, i.e., **Green Acres RV Park**. Of all the parks we've visited, Green Acres is still one of the most attractive <a href="www.greenacresrvpark.com">www.greenacresrvpark.com</a>. We will be here until June 6 or perhaps a few days later. Our old friend, **Tim**, is helping us work on the coach and we are getting ready to go north into Oregon and Washington. We are not working at the park on this visit, so we are free for motorcycle rides, dinners, and any other fun activities.

If you want to get together while we are in Redding, give us a call at (530) 524-5020.

Until next time, home is where we park it.

Chuck & Donna