

Mt. Hood Region Cadillac & LaSalle Club Fortland, OR Website: www.mthoodregionclc.com



June/July 2021 Newsletter

Director's Message

I've been in this club a little over 4 years. I have met a lot of you and what makes this club special is how welcoming everyone is. I remember attending my first meeting and how friendly everyone was. My wife and I felt the same way on our way home that night saying that this is going to be something we look forward to attending monthly.

This past week as we all heard from Bonnie that Laurie Abbott had passed away. She and her late husband Michael were special people that enjoyed this club. Laurie was that welcoming voice we all heard each month before a monthly meeting. I will miss that chat we had together.

I got to know them both on a car tour to northern California to visit Sandra Payne, Carl Hendrickson and John McCauley discuss gold mining operations they each had accomplished over the years and attempt ourselves in prospecting. This caravan was well planned by Mona Marsh with stops in small historic towns, motorhome builders, food manufacture, and even a casino. Those who attended will say that it was a great time and one tour you will never forget. I know Mona won't forget it with her car breaking down.

I want to thank our webmaster Chris McCauley for the great job he has done with our website. Take a look when you have a chance <u>http://www.mthoodregionclc.com</u>. He has created a look that should attract those interested in contacting us about our organization.

May the summer tours begin and more memories to be had with those of you. Hope to see you then.

Keith Stone



Laurie Abbott Membership Chair

MHRCLC

It is with a heavy heart that I need to share with you that Laurie Abbott has passed away. One of Laurie's greatest pleasures was being able to call and check in with all of you each month as she made her monthly reminder calls. You were all like a family to her. I will especially miss her as she was my cousin. Any remembrances can be sent to my address for forwarding.

Sincerely,

Bonnie McCauley 8989 SE 190th Drive Damascus, OR 97089

Most all members knew and have talked to Laurie personally over her years as membership Chairperson for our club. Some of you have asked if there is a charity that you can donate to in her name. Laurie was very proud of our connection to My Father's House and made it her challenge to help them in any way she could. She would be honored to have you donate to them in her name. They are expanding at this time and would be happy to accept these donations. I am including a link in this email, <u>https://www.familyshelter.org/</u>, so that you can read about them and what they do to not only get homeless people back into homes but to train them to be productive citizens again. There is a "Donate" button where you can donate online, or you can mail them a check. Be sure to note that this is donated in Laurie Abbott's name. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me.

Regards, Bonnie McCauley

MHRCLC General Meeting Minutes May 27, 2021 Elmer's Restaurant

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm.

Members present were: Keith and Penny Stone, Bonnie and Johnny McCauley, Mona Marsh, Orville Crull, Leonard and Debbie Dutton, Jode and Brad Groff, Larry Schick.

Chris joined us via Zoom, but other people were having problems getting on Zoom. We did, however, talk to Laurie by phone for her report.

Announcements:

1. Julie Carlstrom- Has a 1939 LaSalle and has some questions about her car. She is looking for someone who can help her. Will give this to Greg and ask him to contact her.

2. The CLC National is having a reunion in Orlando, FL from Nov. 10 through Nov. 14. Information on the national website.

3. Beaches can't commit to any kind of opening because of Covid uncertainties. Hoping for late July.

4. All Cadillac Show- Decided to cancel the show for this year, because of Covid. We will put our efforts into a bigger and better show for 2022.

5. There was a discussion that some members have not received all of the 2021 newsletters. It's a possibility that Rocio's email wasn't working correctly, so Bonnie is going to resend the January through April newsletters from her computer and will continue until her email gets corrected.

Minutes of April Meeting- Johnny moved that we accept them as read, Brad seconded the motion. Motion passed. **Treasury-** Debbie Dutton gave the Treasurer's report.

Committee Reports-

Activities- Johnny McCauley –

- The next tour will be a tour of the Northside of the Columbia River, which will take place on June 9th. So far there are about 15 people signed up to go. We will start at Lewis and Clark Park in Troutdale and will cross the Bridge of the Gods, and head east to Maryhill Winery, Maryhill Museum, and Stonehenge, the WW1 war Memorial that is built like the ancient Stonehenge in the UK.
- 2. Central Oregon Tour- We are planning a tour to the Central Oregon area, and would like to do at least 1, and possibly 2 nights away. It is still in the planning stages, but will likely include going to the Madras air Museum in Madras, lunch or dinner at the home of one of our members, Paul Fulton, who lives in Redmond, a visit to Flyte Camp antique recreational trailer restorers in Bend, and other places that have yet to be determined. The time hasn't been set yet, but will likely be in late July or sometime in August. Watch for more information as the plan gets nailed down.
- 3. Long Beach/Oysterville, WA- We have been invited by the Pacific NW Region CLC to once again join them for their weekend in Long Beach and Oysterville. They don't have their date set yet but we are all invited. We will publish the date as soon as we get it so that you can go online or call and make your reservations for your accommodations. They will notify us of the hotel they will be using. This event is usually held in mid to late September.
- 4. We are talking about a Sunday Brunch once again at Summit Grove may be in the early fall.

Membership-Laurie Abbott

Laurie said she has been touching bases with people about June 9th driving tour.

She also said she is contacting Mr. Matthews from the Self Starter, as a possible new member.

Newsletter-Rocio Baunsgard

Rocio was absent, but Larry Schick said that he has been writing a story about Jeff Smith. He has a 1927 LaSalle Rumble seat Coupe that he has owned for 62 years. He will send the story to Rocio for the Newsletter and also to Chris for the Website.

Old Business-

Car Show-

- 1. Trophies- Greg has gotten part of the emblems/medallions for the plaques. After he gets the rest of them, he will turn in his receipt for them.
- 2. Prizes- Even though we have canceled the show for 2021, we will keep collecting them until the show in 2022.
- 3. We need to tell Hong at the Red Apple that we won't be having the show this year, but will in 2022.
- 4. We need to notify the KISN Good Guys about the cancellation.

New Business-

- 1. The future of zoom meetings- The Board will discuss whether we will continue to have zoom meetings in addition to our inperson meetings.
- 2. Will we be able to have our Christmas Dinner at Sayler's again this year?? Johnny will look into whether they are taking reservations for large groups yet or not.

Next Board Meeting- June 10 at McCauley's- meeting 7 pm The next General Membership Meeting is on June 24th at Elmer's.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:01 pm.

Respectfully Submitted by Bonnie McCauley Secretary, MHRCLC

MHRCLC Tour to Maryhill June 9, 2021

On Wednesday, June 9, 2021, 13 Mt. Hood Region members met at Lewis & Clark State Park on the Sandy River for coffee, donuts, and fruit to start our day. We were joined by new member Forrest Wheeler in his 1969 Deville Convertible. We were happy to welcome him and get to know him.

From the park we drove east on I-84 to the Cascade Locks where we crossed the Columbia River to the Washington side, driving over the Bridge of the Gods. This area is rich in history, so we were provided with information about the geology and legends of the Cascade Locks area and the Bridge of the Gods.

Driving east, we enjoyed the beautiful scenery along the Columbia River and the warm sunshine. We stopped at a rest area that had beautiful views of the river and the Oregon side.

After passing through Lyle, WA, we stopped at an animal farm called Schreiner's Farms. This place is fascinating, as they raise wild animals. It is free to enter, but you can not get out of your car. You drive along the road that goes between the fields until you reach the barn. At this point, you turn around and go back to the highway. You can take all the time you want to view the animals. You will see Buffalo, Zebras, Camels, Giraffes, Cattle, various kinds of Deer, and Antelope. It is located on 12,000 acres and belongs to 2 brothers.

After leaving Schreiners, we continued east on Highway 14 to Maryhill winery where we enjoyed lunch on the patio, overlooking the Columbia River. We had a wonderful time visiting and reconnecting again after the long Covid year.

From there we drove about another half mile east to the Maryhill Museum and toured at our leisure. We were given historical information on this museum to understand the background of how and why it was built by Sam Hill, who was also largely responsible for the design and building of the Old Columbia River Highway.

We drove about another 3 miles to Stonehenge, which was built by Sam Hill, as a WW1 war memorial to honor soldiers from the area who had lost their lives in that war. It sits on a knoll overlooking the river. It is a beautiful spot to have a memorial, and just below it is the gravesite of Sam Hill.

After leaving there we crossed the river back into Oregon over the Biggs bridge and drove west back to Portland on I-84. Some of us finished our drive with a stop at Eastwind Restaurant in Cascade Locks, where we stopped for ice cream and milkshakes. We all parted there for our trips home. We had a great time being together once again.

b. Tour to Central Oregon possibly via Mosier, Tygh Valley, Redmond, Bend, Painted Desert. Probably staying 2 nights in Motels/Hotels. Late July or Early August.

c. Long Beach/Oysterville with the PNWRCLC – usually the 3^{rd} or 4^{th} weekend in September.

d. Checked with Sayler's about whether or not they are taking reservations for Christmas Banquets yet. They said that they were not doing so yet.

2. Newsletter-Rocio Baunsgard

Still needing stories for the newsletter. Bonnie will write up something for the newsletter and send it and pictures to Rocio.

3. Members at Large-

- a. Larry Schick-absent
- b. Sue Rohner- Nothing to report.

4. Website-Keith will send Chris a note to remove Laurie's name from the website as Membership Chairman. Bonnie will update the roster with new info, recount members, and resend.

The next General Meeting will be on June 24th The next Board Meeting will be on July 8 at the Stones house.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:01 pm.

Bonnie McCauley-Secretary

Pictures at the Maryhill Museum



New member Forrest Wheeler



Orville's New Cadi



Photos of Stonehenge





Condolences

On a sad note, dear friend and Cadillac Club member Larry Butcher passed away at home on July 2nd in the early hours of the morning. Our sincere condolences to Pam and her family. He will be missed.

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