

The Gas Line

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Chapter Meeting – August 1



Our chapter meeting will be on August 1st, at Ken and Carol Avery's home, 2665 Western Ave. in Ammon starting at 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

The Averys are providing Fried Chicken - yum! Please bring a salad or dessert to complete the meal. The club will provide drinks and place settings.

See you there!

President's Corner

Howdy,

Summer has finally arrived. We are enjoying the hot weather and weekly cruises and car shows.

I called a Board of Directors' meeting to discuss the Swap Meet. A financial report and the Board's recommendation for next year's Swap Meet will be available at the September meeting. We will open the floor for discussion and vote. Plan to attend the meeting and voice your opinion.

We will not have a normal August meeting. Ken and Carol Avery will host a barbecue at their home in lieu of the August meeting. We hope everyone will plan to attend. See the newsletter for details.

Doug

CHAPTER EVENTS

Aug 1: BBQ and pot luck at Ken and Carol Avery's home

Aug 27: Playmill Theater Overnight Tour - Rhonda

Sep: Market Lake Clean-Up - Mark & Diane Schwartzberger

Dec: Christmas Party

Meeting Minutes – June 6

President Doug Schwartzberger conducted the meeting and all of the board of directors were present, the non-voting Secretary, and one visitor

Annual Report to the State of Idaho – Joy Eagle. There is a new system for submitting our annual report, really it is confirming the current officers for our club. However, the new system also has us listed as a non-profit corporation D.

2019 Car Show and Swap Meet, June 15-16, 2019 – Larry & Clyde Christian.

- We made \$1,907.51 at the 2019 Swap Meet and Car Show! Full details of the expenses are available from Joy Eagle.
- We added 3 new members and had 2 people renew their memberships in our club at this event. 3 people paid their local dues.
- The spaghetti dinner created a loss of about \$200. Next year we will make a reservation at a local restaurant and members will be responsible for their own dinner.
- Perhaps we can have some members get trained by the Citizens Watch to cover security at our event to avoid the \$480 for 2 security people required by the City of Idaho Falls.
- The Board of Directors will be meeting with the City of Idaho Falls to discuss the 2020 Swap Meet. We want to find out if the City might fund the Security or waive some of the fees.
- Other locations were discussed, but the Tautphaus Park location is still preferred.
- We want to think of new ways to find car related vendors for the event. Yale is willing to contact the Utah Chapters about participating.

EIVMCCA Scholarships. Our Chapter currently awards \$1500 to CEI Automotive and Diesel mechanics programs in 2 - \$750 awards. We also donate \$1500 to ISU in the Sustaining Scholarship fund set up by Mark and Mary Bunce. We use \$200 of the \$1500 to pay for club spaces at Chrome in the Dome, since they also use the money for scholarship.

Fairwinds Car Show, August 10th – Mark & Diane Schwartzberger. They are considering having this fun event – more details to come.

Playmill Theater Overnight Tour, August 27 – Rhonda Schwartzberger. Rhonda is arranging for a group of tickets to the 6:30 p.m. show so you need to call her to get a ticket (208) 524-1337. Please make your own room reservations; we will have lunch on the way to West Yellowstone.

Bonneville Region Yearly Tour, September 19-22 – Bryce Johnson & De Johnson. Contact Bryce Johnson brybryce@hotmail.com to reserve your spot! Cost for the tour is \$50 and the tour is limited to 25 cars. This tour will headquarter from the Lodgestone Hotel in Vernal, Utah (435) 789-4200 \$67 single queen, \$79 for 2 queens ask for the VMCCA Regional Tour Rate. Features: Dinosaur National Monument, Flaming Gorge dam, Utah Field House Museum, Uinta Count Heritage Museum and wonderful camaraderie. The *Bonneville Regional Meeting of the VMCCA* will be on September 20th during the tour.

MEETING TREATS

August 1	Ken & Carol (BBQ)
September 5	Mark & Diane
October 3	
November 7	
December	Christmas Party

Chicken Dinner Road – A Squawk Over a Name

UPCOMING EVENTS

Note: Most of this story came from the Idaho Statesman – I added a couple of editorial comments and, yes, I have driven on Chicken Dinner Road – Editor.

Sep 22-29: 74th Revival AAA Glidden Tour. Hosted by AACA Charlotte, North Carolina

Caldwell, Idaho mayor Garrett Nancolas isn't sure why he got mixed up in an animal rights group's mission to change the name of Chicken Dinner Road (the road is in Canyon County – not in Caldwell) to something it thinks is more poultry-friendly. "When I first received the letter, I thought it was a joke. I literally laughed!"

Oct 21-25: Orphan Car Tour, Western, Colorado. Alex West oenovaclean@gmail.com

People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA) sent the mayor and local media the letter on Wednesday, July 3. Tracy Reiman, PETA Executive Vice President, wants to change the name to "one that celebrates chickens as individuals, not as beings to kill, chop us and label as 'dinner.'"

The reaction from Idahoans and others was swift: "Dear PETA, don't cluck with our road – Idaho" and "Right now, it seems that there are bigger fish to fry, um, I mean, more important things to focus on." The mayor also chimed in, saying "Even if it was (in Caldwell's jurisdiction), NO WAY, NO CHANCE I would ever consider this truly unbelievable request."

The story behind the name is even more interesting than the PETA letter. The titular chicken dinner was prepared in the 1930s by Laura Lamb, who lived along the then-rutted road. The most popular account has Lamb preparing her famous fried chicken for then-governor C. Ben Ross, a family friend and asking him his opinion of the rough road he'd had to travel to reach her home. Ross told her that if she could get the county to grade the road, he'd get it oiled. She did, then he did.

According to some versions of the story, the street name first appeared on cardboard "chicken dinner" signs placed along the route to direct the governor to his supper. After the road was oiled, vandals supposedly wrote "Lamb's Chicken Dinner Avenue" on its freshly oiled surface in bright yellow letters. The name was catchy, so it stuck.

Houston Vineyards, which is located at 16473 Chicken Dinner Road, celebrates the name through its Chicken Dinner wine series. "The naming of our Chicken Dinner wines celebrates and plays off a classic Southern Idaho tale – the story behind one of the most curious road names around," the winery states on its website.



Flash from the Past – August 2013

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Six short years ago, we were in hot (yes, the pun is intentional) preparations for the “Drive Me to the Moon” Western National Tour. We had a great turnout and the tour was fantastic – hot, but still fantastic (see, I did that pun thing again – fan-tastic).

Here’s my favorite photo from that week. My wife Sandy won a ride in the Stearman from James Hoff:

