# The Gas Line

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### Fabulous 50s Christmas Party – Dec. 7

# *You are all invited to the* **EIVMCCA Fabulous 50s Christmas Party**

Saturday - December 7th, 2019 - 12 (noon) to 2pm

Dixie's Diner (2150 Channing Way, Idaho Falls)

We will have a variety of salads, homemade potato chips, a hoagie sandwich bar (with a variety of meats, cheese, and fixins), a cookie or brownie, and a drink. All for \$13 per person!

50s Costumes are encouraged, but not required!!

We will have a

Christmas Raffle to benefit the Idaho Falls Food Bank, tickets will be given for each canned food donation (and 1 ticket for each \$2 cash donation)

A White Elephant Gift Exchange, and a silly game!

Please reply to Joy Eagle by Wednesday, December 4th if you plan to attend at <a href="mailto:joyfuleagle@aol.com">joyfuleagle@aol.com</a>, 208-529-9450 or 208-521-9344 (text)

(We have only 2 rings before the machine picks up - please leave a message.)

### President's Corner

Hi friends,

Just a note to say that we did indeed bid Lynn a grand farewell in style. There were 15 vintage autos in the procession to the cemetery. An awesome sight.

The Membership Drive was a huge success. Thank you to Joy for planning the event and Gary and Dawn for hosting the potluck at their home. Celine's pumpkin dessert was the club favorite, and the Shilkett home will house the coveted Gnome this next year!

I hope you are planning to attend the club Fabulous 50s Christmas party on December 7, 1:00 p.m. at Dixie's diner. Wear a costume (or don't) and enjoy a White Elephant Gift Exchange, fun, and a contest!

Douglas

#### CHAPTER EVENTS

Dec: Christmas Party

#### **MEETING TREATS**

December

Christmas Party

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Feb 27-Mar 1: Annual Meeting & Awards Banquet, Las Vegas, NV, contact John Munoz 702-490-7811 or johnpm@ahern.com

Mar 19-21: 2020 Texoma Regional Tour, North Fort Worth, TX, contact Don Knight 972-641-4517 or dwknight3040@gmail.com

## Memories of Lynn – by Joy Eagle

Lynn Erickson was a great friend to so many people; he was always ready to help when needed to participate in a tour around Idaho, Utah, and Montana, or so many ridiculous activities if one was suggested. Lynn's "could do" always let us know that Lynn was ready, willing and able.



Some of our more memorable tours were week-long adventures into Montana, with Norm & Pam Hooper (with Leann, Kristy, and Stephanie) in their 1926 Buick in the lead, Rich and I (with Oliver & Sally) in our 1920 Model T Speedster in the middle, and Lynn usually in his 1929 Model A Special Coupe finishing our group.

We crisscrossed the state looking at whatever attractions were available, having car trouble along the road, and discovering new attractions of our own. Our little group always attracted attention and comments, but we sure had fun and visited with so many people about cars that they had or cars they wished they had!

I think that Lynn's favorite tour involved a stop in Bozeman. I had looked at maps and found that there was a Hot Springs near Bozeman. I thought that this would be a great overnight stop and called directory assistance in Montana. Yes, there was a hotel there, and I found out that rooms were available, and they were CHEAP!



They did not want a deposit, so I did not get a mailing address for them. They said that we could not miss them (...are you getting uncomfortable yet?). So, we proceeded to the day that we were to arrive in Bozeman; it was late afternoon of Rodeo Week and the joint was jumping! We went to the Hot Spring and did NOT see the hotel. We drove into rodeo congested Bozeman and stopped at another hotel and I used a pay phone to call our hotel. Well...it was Hot Springs but it was in Missoula. They said that we could still get there; little did they know that we traveled at 35 mph max and we could not get there. I cancelled the reservation. Fortunately, the Bozeman hotel had pity on our little group and called all over town and found us rooms. Oh, the embarrassment! Lynn loved to ask to go to Bozeman Hot Springs any time tour planning was mentioned — he loved to laugh!

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### Memories of Lynn (continued)



He also enjoyed teasing our children, playing along with their antics, or suggesting that they "Go out in the street and play," or advise them, "There's a nice big rock you can use for a life preserver! Why don't you go swimming in the canal!"

We all enjoyed the Lemon Meringue pie Lynn provided for every Swap Meet. We will miss Lynn at the meetings, parades, tours, and his visits for a cup of coffee and reminiscing about our goofy times together.

It just wasn't a tour without Lynn and his Model A.

### Obituary from Post Register

Lynn Howard Erickson, 73, of Idaho Falls, passed away November 18, 2019, at Eastern Idaho Regional Medical Center after a heart attack.

Lynn was the first child born to Lloyd Kenneth Erickson and Doris Wilhelmina Pickett Erickson on December 7, 1945, in Idaho Falls, ID. He attended schools at New Sweden, O.E. Bell and Idaho Falls High School. He was president of the FFA. He graduated from Idaho Falls High School. He joined the United States Navy serving in the Naval Construction Battalion as a "Seabee." Lynn served two tours in Vietnam and one in the Antarctic from 1965 to 1969. He received an Honorable Discharge.

Lynn worked in shipping and receiving for Chesbro Music Company for forty years. He also worked on the family farm. He enjoyed old cars, bowling, fishing, hunting and hiking. He often drove his Model A in 4th of July parades; accompanied by nieces, nephews and family members. He was a member of the Vintage Motor Car Club of America, Veterans Motor Car Club, Eastern Idaho Early Iron organization, Model A Club of America, Model T Club of America, Antique Studebaker Drivers Club, and the Horseless Carriage Club of America. He never married but was much loved by all his nieces and nephews, his fellow antique car enthusiasts, bowling buddies and coffee friends.



Lynn is survived by his brother, Gary (Maureen) Erickson of Knoxville, TN; sisters, Doralee Hathaway and Barbara Thurber, both of Idaho Falls; and brother-in-law, Blair Hendricks of Ammon, ID. He was preceded in death by his parents, Lloyd and Doris Erickson; sister, Susan Hendricks; and brother-in-law, Roy Hathaway.

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## Harvest Daze and Membership Drive

The annual membership drive was a success with Celine taking home the gnome for best dessert. Thanks to Dawn and Gary for hosting and Joy for planning the event.





