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Coming Events



Club Sanctioned Events

Event: **Long Weekend Ride to the Sacramento Mile**

Date/Time: May 17 - 20, 2019

Place: Cal Expo Race Track, Sacramento

Description: **Registration is required**, but will need to be made by email or phone with Skip Gosser. We'll ride partway down to Sacramento on Friday, May 17 and camp or motel that night. On Saturday, May 18th, we'll ride to Sacramento, get settled in our hotel rooms, and then ride to the Race Track. Gates open for the legendary Sacramento Mile flat track race at 5:00 pm. Racing is done by 10:00 pm. Then back to our hotel rooms for the night. On Sunday, May 19th, we head for home, with plans to camp or motel along the way. Plan to arrive back home Monday May 20th. On the way down to Sacramento—and on the way home—weather will dictate if we choose to motel rather than camp. Each person will be responsible for their own costs for camping, motels, food, and race tickets. If we have enough people signed up, Skip might be able to get discounted rates for the race and motel. To sign up, contact Skip Gosser. Let him know if you wish to share a motel room, as he will be reserving a block of rooms. Skip will be leaving from the Salem area. Alice LeBarron will be leading a contingent from the Bend area. If you plan to ride from the Bend area, contact Alice as well as Skip. Route is not yet determined, but we will avoid I-5 as much as possible. Those coming from the southern region may wish to join up with us along the way.

Contact: Skip Gosser skipg26@hotmail.com
503-749-1601

Event: **41st Annual Chief Joseph Rally, 2019**

Date/Time: June 27-30, 2019

Place: Grant County Fairgrounds, John Day, Oregon

Description: Join us at the Grant County Fairgrounds—nestled in the scenic Strawberry Mountains—of John Day, Oregon, for a weekend of terrific riding, seminars, food and fellowship. This historic city is located at the Junction of Hwys 395 and 26. Enjoy the West's best riding: gold and cattle country, refreshing mountain passes, painted hills, river canyons, and wide open desert. All this in one day's riding! Visit the John Day Fossil Beds National Monument or any of four different

museums. Begin planning your trip now! Oregon is for Riders! Come to John Day and see what we mean!

Register: Online registration opens March 1, 2019
www.bmwro.org

Contact: Alice LeBarron, bmwro.pres@gmail.com

Event: **Coastal Campout**

Date/Time: July 26-28, 2019

Place: Edson Creek Group Campground

Description: Keith Matteson will once again be commandeering this beautiful area's coastal campout. You may follow some paper plate "signage" to find the secluded and quiet campground, and once there both road riders and dualsporters will relish in the local opportunities. **NOTE:** There may be a menu change from last year's amazing chicken BBQ to fresh-caught ocean varietals. Guaranteed no left-overs!

Contact: Keith Matteson

Event: **Long weekend overnight trip to the Wallowas**

Date/Time: August 2-4, 2019

Place: Enterprise, OR

Description: Navigation expert David Peterson will lead a spirited 400-mile per day group from the Portland area over to the Wallowas for a fun-filled road-oriented weekend getaway. Never fear, this ride will be open to 20 riders who register and show up in Enterprise to partake of a group ride on Saturday up to Hells Canyon, Lewiston and Rattlesnake Canyon, among other highlights. The Wallow County Fair is on-going during this time as well. Twenty (20) motel rooms are reserved in anticipation of the trip—twenty (20) rider cap...

Contact: David Peterson **503-327-5592**
dwpeterson01@yahoo.com



Event: **Canal Creek Campout**
Date/Time: August 16–18, 2019
Place: near Waldport
Description: Jay Bennett knows more roads and off-roads than many locals in this area. This is a fantastic, top-of-line campsite and the area is a haven of road and offroad riding. Want to bring your “little” bike? This is a great opportunity to ride those 125s-450s!
Contact: Jay Bennett jabennett.2012@gmail.com
541-745-5838

Event: **Steens Mountain Campout**
Date/Time: September 6–8, 2019
Place: The Narrows, OR
Description: After a busy summer, we’ll take this opportunity to get out to the eastern part of the state and see the Alvord Desert and Steens Mountain loop. This campout includes the 3rd quarter meeting, and offers a well-endowed campsite area with showers, a bar...and more spectacular riding. Alice LeBarron will ensure a scrumptious catered meal and coordinate with ride leaders to make this a great way to “cap” your summer riding months.
Contact: Alice LeBarron
541-647-7194
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Recurring Events

Event: **Central Oregon 2nd Saturday**
Date/Time: Second Saturday of each month
Location: Various ride and lunch locations in the Central Oregon Region.
Contact: Alice LeBarron **541-647-7194**
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Event: **Central Western Region 1st Saturday Ride**
Date/Time: Various dates and times. See the event calendar on the web site for more information.
Location: European Motorcycles of Western Oregon
Description: Various routes.
Contact: TBD

Event: **Southern Oregon 1st Saturday**
Date/Time: First Saturday of each month
Location: Various lunch/breakfast and ride locations for southern Oregon members.
Contact: Dan Hall dnehall@frontier.com
Mark Collier **541-499-1395**
mcollier5895@gmail.com

Event: **NW Oregon 1st Saturday Ride**
Date/Time: First Saturday of each month
Location: Various breakfast and ride locations in the Northwest Oregon Region.
Description: Finding the twisties and connecting with our membership for grins and food sharing.
Contact: David Peterson **503-327-5592**
dwpeterson01@yahoo.com
Neal Malagamba **503-969-3220**
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Event: **Doc Wong Riding Clinic**
Date/Time: Second Saturday of each Month, 9:00 am
Location: Mr. Ed’s Moto:
414 Queen Avenue, Albany
Contact: Don Weber **541-791-5142**
don@mredsmoto.com

Heard-On-The-Road

Event: **Stanley Stomp**
Date/Time: August 8–11, 2019
Place: Grandjean, ID at the Sawtooth Lodge
Description: Idaho BMW Riders present the Stanley Stomp. Heated pool, showers, meadow camping, rental cabins, hot springs.
Cost: \$80.00; pre-registration only.
Register: <https://www.idahobmwriders.com/stanleystomp.html>

Event: **16th Thunder Mountain Rendezvous**
Date/Time: September 20–22, 2019
Place: Delta County Fairgrounds in downtown Hotchkiss, Colorado
Description: BMW Riders of Western Colorado (MOA #270) present the 16th Thunder Mountain Rendezvous on a colorful weekend of the Western Slope of Colorado. Our low elevation venue includes a large meeting hall, restrooms with showers, plenty of grassy camping and the convenience of walking to downtown restaurants, stores and motels.
Contact: www.bmwridersofwco.com



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2019 Chief Joseph Rally Update

April, 2019

Rides, Seminars, Good Food, and Entertainment!

All in the company of a great group of riding friends!

It's time to Register for the Rally!

Have you registered yet? Initially, there was a glitch in the registration process which didn't work well if you were trying to register your spouse, partner, or a buddy at the same time that you registered yourself. This has been fixed.

Rally Rides

We've got a great selection of guided GS rides and paved route rides scheduled for the rally. Each of the guided rides will take a limited number of bikes, so if you wish to join one of those rides, be sure to sign up at the **Information Booth** when you get to the rally. Perhaps you want to head out on your own or with several friends to explore some new routes or a few favorite routes. We will have a good selection of route maps available at the Information Booth. If you're interested in signing up for the **Cowboy Lunch Ride**, be sure to include that in your registration. If you've already registered, and then later decide to add Cowboy Lunch or a **Team Oregon** class to your registration, the website will let you add these options to your register.

[Click here](#) to go to the Rally Registration page.

Seminars & Entertainment

The **Schedule of Events** is already posted on the BMWRO website and will be updated with any additions or changes. We've got some interesting seminars and presentations planned for Friday and Saturday during the mornings and afternoons and good motorcycle movies planned for each evening. If you love some good tunes—American roots/Delta Blues style—check out the **Kinzel & Hyde** performance Friday evening!

Vendors and Door Prizes and Classes!

We are pleased with the early response from vendors who have already committed to join us; and more will be signing up over the next three months. These Vendors, as well as many who are not coming to the rally, have generously donated door prizes as giveaways at our Saturday night dinner celebration. So bring your four-leaf clover—you may be a winner!



The vendors are excited to join us to discuss updates in their motorcycle products and services. Not only do we have a variety of vendor products coming,

but they are very knowledgeable in how to improve your bike and to enhance your riding comfort and safety. The vendors have all raved about how much fun our CJR Rally is and that they enjoy returning each year.

To date, **Team Oregon, Racer Gloves, CycleWipes, Rok Straps and Weiser Technik** have committed to join us. Door prizes are generously being provided by these vendors as well as other vendors who are not planning to attend.

Team Oregon will be conducting classes (for an additional fee) on riding safely and improving techniques, which were very popular last year. The class openings sold out quickly. You can sign up for their classes on the registration page.

[Click here](#) to go to the Rally Registration page.

Be sure to check out the Rally T-shirts with our enhanced logo and place your orders. We've negotiated very favorable pricing on both short and long-sleeve shirts, moisture-wicking fabric or all cotton, in popular colors. In order to pick them up at the rally, pre-order T-shirts through the link on the Registration page.

We look forward to seeing you June 27-30th in John Day, Oregon!

Your Rally Co-chairs,

*Bill Hedges
David Morganstern
Alice LeBarron*



NEW MEMBERS

Motorcycle

William & Kimberly Ellison, Corvallis, OR 2009 BMW GSA
Jessica Allyn-Smith, Redmond, OR 1993 Honda Goldwing trike
Steve Frison, Portland, OR 2018 BMW R1200RT
Aaron Beckord, Cave Junction, OR cycle unknown
Richard Coots, Weed, CA cycle unknown
Jeff Migliare, Klamath Falls, OR cycle unknown
John Nees, Grants Pass, OR cycle unknown
Ron Bloom, Medford, OR cycle unknown



Bylaws, Policies & Guidelines

If you are interested in any of the above, just visit our website and download. www.bmwro.org

FIND THE BMWRO NEW MEMBER APPLICATION FORM ONLINE:

[HTTP://BMWRO.ORG](http://BMWRO.ORG)

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Ambassador Program Welcomes New Members

Ambassadors for the Four Regions are:

Central Western Region

(South of Salem, including Eugene & Oakland from the coast to the Cascades).

Ambassador Volunteer Requested—

if interested please contact any member of the Executive Committee.

Northwest Region

(from Longview, WA south through Salem, OR, the coast to the Cascades, including The Dalles).

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Central & Northeast Region

(East of The Dalles, including I-84 to Ontario, south of Columbia River to US 20, Baker City & including US 20 to LaPine. Includes Camp Sherman/Bend/Redmond/Sisters & Prineville area).

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Please call or email your regional Ambassador for club outings and rally information.
We can assist you with learning more about BMWRO



Left to Right: Karen Duncan, Alice LeBarron, Jan Moses, Cam Buck, Bill Munroe, Kurt Miller, Sydne Anderson, Doug Courtney, Joy Cesafsky, Bruce Moses, Allen Cesafsky, Claudia Bisso Fetzer, Phyllis Webb.

Photo by Bill Buck,

Central Oregon Second Saturday Gathering

from Alice LeBarron

A hungry horde of motorcyclists (in cars) made their way through deep snow and ice to Joy and Allen Cesafsky's log home in Bend on March 9th. Joy had prepared a big pot of her famous Chicken Taco Soup and others brought yummy goodies to share. It was a lively group in good spirits as talk covered mostly motorcycles! Joy & Allen had just returned from motorcycling around New Zealand, so we got to see some photos and hear stories about their exciting trip!

Come Ride with Us!



**Bruce Moses, Phyllis Webb, and
Allen Cesafsky**



Bill Munroe and Bill Buck



Claudia and Joy in the kitchen



**Bill Munroe, Alice, Joy, and
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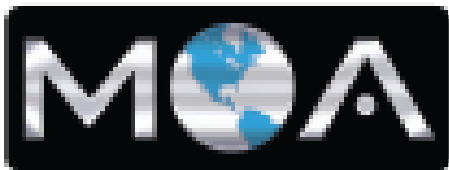
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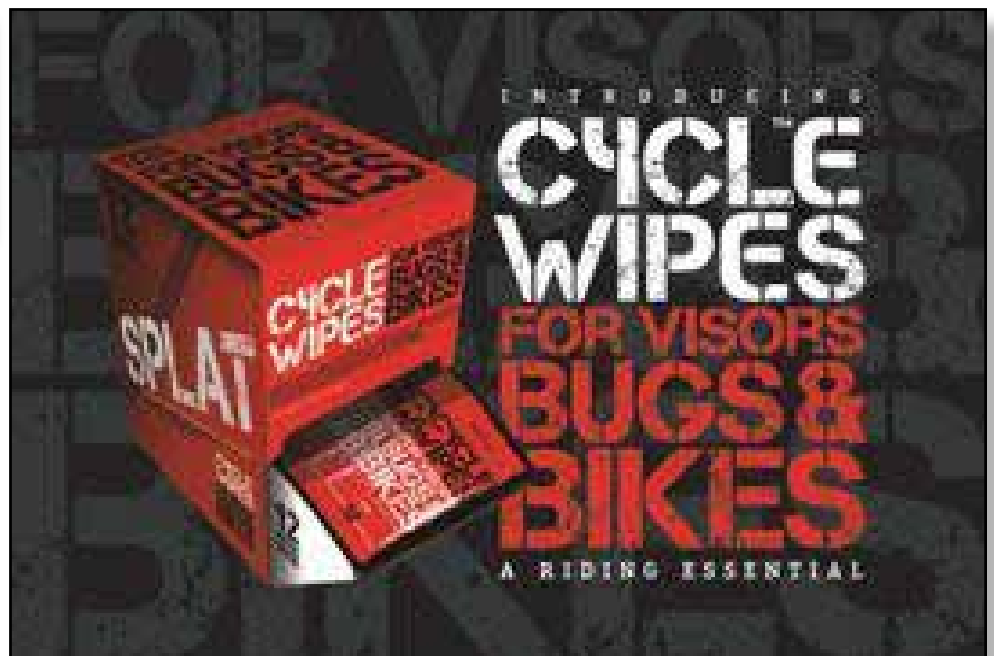
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BMW Riders of Oregon present

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Accommodations Include:

- Grass camping Thursday–Friday–Saturday
- Hot showers
- Guided rides—paved route and GS
- Maps for self-guided paved & GS rides
- Door prizes and Rider Awards
- Vendors
- Seminars
- Motorcycle Movies
- Beer Garden
- Bike Wash Station
- Live Music Friday Evening— Award-winning Roots & Blues Musicians, Kinzel & Hyde with their guest Jim Roy
- Adjacent RV park (separate fee; for reservations call 541-575-1900)
- Motels, restaurants, & groceries within walking distance
- Leashed pets are welcome

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and see what we mean!

Early Registration:
(March 1st to June 15th)

\$55.⁰⁰ for BMWRO members
\$70.⁰⁰ for non-BMWRO members
Includes 3-nights camping, Fri & Sat dinner,
rally pin for the first 500, and door prize ticket.

Gate Registration:

\$45.⁰⁰ for BMWRO members
\$60.⁰⁰ for non-BMWRO members
Does not include meal tickets

A limited number of Fri & Sat dinner tickets will be available at the gate for \$15.⁰⁰ each.

Breakfast will be available for purchase in the pavilion Fri & Sat mornings.
Rally T-shirts available by pre-order.

Deadline: June 15th
For early Registration.

More info at: www.bmwro.org
click the Chief Joseph Rally link.

June 27 – 30, 2019
Grant County Fairgrounds~John Day, OR
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A Motorcycle Amble to Amboy NW Ambassadors Ride Report – March 2019

David Peterson #90113

On this last weekend before the return of daylight savings time, once again, the stars aligned. The result was an exquisite day of riding. It was touch and go throughout the month, after a relatively warm winter gave way to four straight weeks with snow on the ground. But First Saturday dawned cool but dry — a perfect day for a ride.

I was not alone in my opinion of the day. Fifteen bikes were raring to go, including a couple of new faces. **Steven Polansky** has been recruiting riders while servicing his bike, resulting in two first-timers,

John Stoinoff and his son, **Tyson. CJ Strauss** introduced us to her friend, **Eric Calhoun** on his new KTM Adventure. After saying hello and enjoying a donut, it was time to get to the matter at hand.

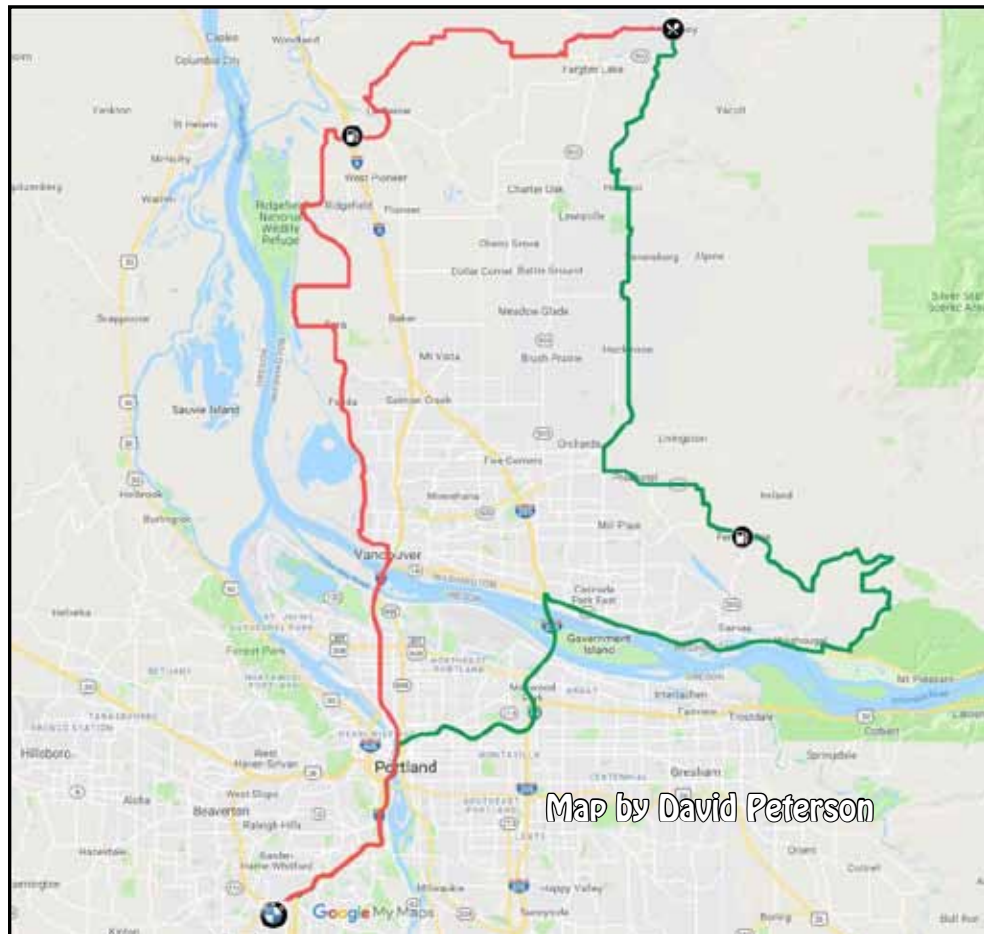


Queuing up for a ride in the sun.

Photo by Diane Peterson

This month's ride would be an exploration of Clark County. We have visited several times in the past, but it's a beautiful destination and there are always new roads to keep it interesting. **Diane** and I conducted the train, while Polansky served as caboose. Others in the middle included **Chuck Mileur, Keith Picone, Kyle Emerson, Louie Robida, Camron Rust, Charles Trapp, Jeff Yarnall, David Morganstern, and Justin Carr.**

Heading north, we rolled onto I-5, narrowly missing an accident before merging into I-84. As we rolled along I-205 toward Washington, newcomer Tyson Stoinoff decided he must have had better things to do. The rest of us crossed the river, then headed east toward Washougal on WA-14. A left and a right later, and suddenly we were twisting our way through the exurbs. Sunset View Road wiggles its way almost 1,000 feet in elevation before descending to cross the Washougal River on the other side of the hill. Here we found more than enough snow to remind us of the cold we were leaving behind. It had been chilly



enough when we left, that wet roads may have been a hazard; but now it was clear that temps would warm enough to keep us out of harm's way.

Nowhere among our local rides is GPS appreciated more than in Clark County. Unimaginative cartographers have gridded the area with numbered avenues running north/south and streets running east/west. The topography is rugged, so that the grid is constantly changing — streets turning into avenues, turning back into streets. So 242nd Avenue turns into 44th Street which turns into 238th Avenue, whose name changes to 237th Avenue before yielding to 54th Street — you get the idea. There are few memorable names to attach to particularly good stretches; you have to pull up the GPS track to note where the best parts are. This makes it frustrating to lead from memory; you need the GPS to keep you on the right route. On the other hand, it makes unplanned rides serendipitous; you never are quite sure you're where you planned to be.

Today, route management was a non-event; we were on-track, the weather was beautiful and the



Look in the shadow for a Countree Kitchen welcome.

Photo by Diane Peterson

roads were a country pleasure. Approaching Hockinson, we were even accompanied by a soaring bald eagle, thermalling above us for several seconds, long enough to be the topic of conversation when we stopped briefly to rest. Soon we were moving again, for the last push to Amboy for lunch.

Eastern Clark County is a region in transition. Logging sustained the area for many years. In 1902, a fire in nearby Yacolt burned 500,000 acres and killed 38 people—1902

was the peak year for timber production in the region. In later years the Army established a munitions base in the area. Camp Bonneville was established in 1909. For the next eighty-five years it served as a drill field and training camp. Now owned by the county, the rugged area remains off limits to the public until munitions and hazardous materials are safely removed. In the meantime, the area copes with the inexorable sprawl from greater Portland.

But it copes well. Small family farms and homesteads dot the heavily wooded roads that we were following today. Property lines mean roads are never straight for long; and as we approached Amboy, the elevation exceeded 1,100 feet as we crested the shoulder of Yacolt Mountain. Four miles later, we were sitting down for lunch.

The **Countree Kitchen and Timbers Saloon** isn't much to look at, but they welcomed us on their reader board and made us feel at home—while serving us monstrous portions of breakfast and lunch. It took awhile to get us all fed; but with all the great roads to discuss, the time passed effortlessly.



Crossing the Washougal River.

Photo by Diane Peterson



Keith Picone prepares to attack breakfast...and probably lunch and dinner.

photo by Diane Peterson



Letters to the Editor

Can you lend a helping hand at CJR 2019?

Gavin Silaski has volunteered to help keep things running smoothly in Keerins Hall for rally seminars and evening movies. He would very much appreciate having another volunteer or two to give him a break during some of the rally activities. If you'd be willing to help him out, please contact Gavin at bmwro.membership@gmail.com. Together, you will be able to work out a plan that works well for both of you.

Morganstern gave us a preview of the Chief Joseph Rally, tapping into everyone's enthusiasm for the coming riding season.

After lunch, the roads back to suburbia were twisty and quick. The group was clearly having a ball, be it the ride or the farm animals that entertained us along the way. We stopped for fuel in La Center and lost a couple riders to I-5. The rest of us squeezed a surprisingly entertaining final stretch through Allen Canyon and into Vancouver.

Now the days are longer and so are the rides. We will continue our search for the road less travelled.

Check out photos from past First Saturday rides [here](#). And if you have photos of your own you want to share, don't hesitate to forward them to David at dwpeterson01@yahoo.com.

Total miles, March Ride: 165

Total First Saturday miles – 2019: 477

Countree Kitchen & Timbers Saloon

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One last stop to celebrate the day.

photo by David Peterson





Chuck Mileur gives the
day a big thumbs up.

photo by Diane Peterson



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