

IOCTA Chapter June Activities

Saturday June 1 8:30 am Model A Car Club Oregon Trail Tour

Jerry Eichhorst will lead a tour of a Model A car club on the Oregon Trail from Bonneville Point to Canyon Creek. A Model T car club has also been invited to participate. At this point, there are 15 antique cars registered for the tour.

This event is not open to modern vehicles to participate in the tour. However, you can meet the cars at Richard Aguirre Park in Mountain Home for lunch at 12:30 pm and/or follow the tour westbound to Indian Creek on paved county roads after lunch. Please leave the parking lot on the west side of the park for the antique cars by parking on the north side of the park on E 10th St. N.



Saturday June 8 8:00 am Pre-Convention Tour Practice Run

Paul Dinwiddie will lead a tour of the Oregon Trail from Caldwell to Huntington, Oregon. Sites included in the tour are Ward Memorial Park, Boise River Crossing, Fort Boise Replica, old Fort Boise site, Highway 201 interpretive site, Keeney Pass, John D. Henderson grave, Van Ornum burial site, and the Meeker marker in Huntington.

The group will meet at the Flying J Travel Center at the Highway 20/26 exit on I-84 in Caldwell. The Flying J Travel Center is on the southeast corner of the interchange. Parking is available on the west side of the complex.

This tour is limited to 10 vehicles. Please RSVP to Paul Dinwiddie at pdiny@msn.com if you would like to be a member of this tour.



Wednesday June 26 10:00 am Drive Over Granite Pass

James Dayley will lead a tour over Granite Pass on the California Trail. This is a route we have attempted previously but were not able to follow the California Trail down the west side from the summit. This year we should be able to do so. We will drive south to Oakley then follow Birch Creek Road to Moulton. We will then turn west and go over the Goose Creek Mountains and down the west side, before returning to Burley. We may use cadaver dogs to verify a suspected grave near the summit.

Meet at the Chevron by the Burley Inn just off the interstate.

I have arranged a discounted rate at the Fairfield Inn in Burley for Wednesday night. Use code "IOCTA" when making your reservation. If you have problems with the code, call the hotel and ask for the manager, Dave Nebecker.



Thursday June 27 8:00 am Cadaver Dog Search for Lost Grave

Jerry Eichhorst will lead a tour on the California Trail byway to Goose Creek. We will pick up the ranch owner in Oakley at 8:30 am and head south following Goose Creek to the junction with Little Goose Creek. The rancher's father found a grave at this location many years ago which has since been lost. We will attempt to find the grave using cadaver dogs. We will then drive down Goose Creek to Record Bluff, an interesting site where California Trail emigrants carved their names into an ashen bluff. We will then return north to Oakley to drop off the rancher. Hotels are not available in Burley for Thursday night due to the annual boat races which begin Friday.

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Friday June 28 9:00 am Cadaver Dog Grave Verification

Jerry Eichhorst will lead a tour to several emigrant graves north of Mountain Home. A suspected new grave was discovered on the byway tour earlier this year. The cadaver dogs will work the area. We will then stop at the Canyon Creek stage station before heading home.

Meet at the Pilot Truck Stop on the northwest corner at Exit 95 of I-84. Parking is available on the south side of the complex.

