Klamath Falls - N E California Trip

July 7 – 8, 2009

The trip will depart from Orchard at 8:30am on July 7, 2009 traveling up 65/70/99 to Chico where we will have a rest stop. From Chico we will take Hwy 36 up into the foothills and along Deer Creek as we cross the Sierras in route to Chester on Lake Almanor where we will have lunch. After lunch we will take a scenic road over the mountains and along Eagle Lake. From there we enter the high desert country (5,000 ft.) of N. California. We will be spending the night in Alturas, a town that hasn't changed in the last 50 years. You will enjoy exploring the town.

Today, July 8, 2009, we will leave the hotel at 9:00am and drive through the wooded countryside on some back roads to Lava Beds National Monument where you will have a chance to go down into some of the caves formed by ancient lave flows. From there we will drive around Tule Lake where we will go through a wildlife sanctuary and farming country. We will have lunch on the way to an early afternoon arrival at the Running Y Ranch where we will spend the night. The Running offers golf, tennis, hiking, horseback riding, bicycling, fishing and numerous other activities. We will set up some type of a group activity for those interested in joining. We will dine on property tonight at the Ranch House.

This morning, July 9, 2009, we will leave at 9:30am for a leisurely drive back to Lincoln travelling down Hwy 97 to Weed and then on to I 5 to Red Bluff where we will pick up Hwy 99.

After we leave Chico on Tuesday we will be in a remote part of the state and facilities are limited until we reach Klamath Falls. On Tuesday afternoon we will use restrooms (read hole in the ground) in a picnic area. I have checked them and they are clean and deodorized. In Alturas we are staying at the Best Western Trailside Inn. It is a basic hotel but is clean and well maintained. While this trip may not be for every one if you are adventurous and want to see a remote part of the state you will enjoy this trip.

The rate at the Best Western Trailside Inn on July 7th is \$87.12 plus tax (24hrs cancellation notice). Their number to make reservations is (530) 233-4111. The rate at the Running Y Ranch is \$99.00 plus tax (72 hour cancellation notice) for Wednesday, July 8th. Their phone number for reservations is 888-850-0275. If you have any questions or need help with your reservations, contact me at (Al's number in in the LHSCG roster) or (Al's email address in in the LHSCG roster).

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