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Retreat—May 27-29 Food and Chit Chat

The first retirees retreat held in Ashland, Oregon, was a fun affair. "Great to see you! Golly, retirement must agree with you. Let's sit over here and chat. How's the family? Where have you been lately?" (These were a few of the remarks heard during the retreat.)

The golf, theatrical plays, river rafting, fishing, shopping, art galleries and eating were of much interest, but the best part for all seemed to be seeing old friends, coworkers and spouses, sometimes after a separation of many years.

Conversation was never lacking. The main get-togethers were at meal times; a banquet Tuesday evening and breakfast Thursday morning. The din of conversation only slightly abated when the food was served. By design, the retreat was loosely structured, however, a sense of togetherness among the 70 people there, was evident.

Door Prizes

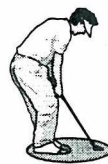
The Thursday morning breakfast was followed by a drawing for original (unique?) door prizes. Anticipation was rampant. Large and smaller art (silk screen) pieces, both from Jim Howland's home studio, were won by Earl Reynolds and Mary Belle Grosjacques. A custom duckhead plunger for emergency use (or display) designed and crafted by Ken Stuart,



was won by Les Wierson. Bob Pailthorp donated one of his "lake draggers" (difficult to describe) for reclamation of submerged golf balls. This carefully engineered contraption was won by Fred Harem, who will make good use of it.

Golfing

The rain stopped in time for about 20 retirees to play in a golf outing at the Cedar Links Golf Course in Medford Oregon. Prizes were won by many, with each player receiving a package of tees and golf balls. Jean Gibbs and Don Fox were the big prize winners as well as many others. There were prizes for low gross and net as well as long drive and closest to the pin. We were fortunate to finish before a big thunderstorm hit the golf course, saving everyone from getting wet. We look forward to another golf outing at the next retiree get together.



Questionnaire Circulated at Retreat

A questionnaire was circulated at the Ashland Retreat concerning future functions—frequency, location, season of the year, number of days, etc. A tabulation of the answers to these questions by the respondents is attached to the end of this newsletter.

You will notice that those that attended the Ashland Retreat are interested in future get-togethers, with the majority of the respondents favoring West Coast locations. But then, those who traveled to Ashland were pre-

dominantly from West Coast locations.

What are you interested in? Where would you, (those of you that didn't go to Ashland) like to go? Does it make sense to organize regional activities; i.e., West, Mid-west, East? Would you be willing to help organize a Retreat in your part of the country?

Let us hear from you by returning the attached questionnaire to the Retirees Activities Center in the Corvallis office by January 15, 1998. We will then tabulate the answers and publish the results as soon thereafter as possible; keeping in mind that the RAC/CVO is a volunteer work activity, hindered by such things as golf, fishing, hunting, and various other hobbies.

Other News

Travel Tip

Bob and Mary Adams recently replaced their 1984 Volvo with a 1998 model delivered to them at the factory in Gothenburg, Sweden. Factory and museum tours are offered there. Arrangements for the purchase were made through their local Oregon dealer. Cost savings of about \$3,000 ensued and covered a good piece of their extended trip costs. Bob recommends the procedure and understands that other manufacturers (Mercedes, etc.) have

