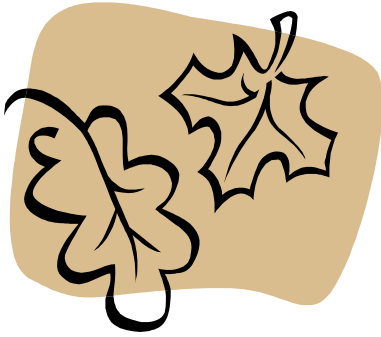


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## We Remember



### **Jack Henderson**

Here is a picture of Jack Henderson enjoying a conversation with Judy Flemmer at Elaine and Howard's cabin at Priest Lake last summer. It is hard to believe that he is gone from our midst. He was pushing ahead with his cancer treatments until he got too weak to continue and died at the Hospice House in October. Jack had an incredible story, being captured and

escaping three times from a Korean prison camp and servicing in the Air Force. In his later years he was able to enjoy wintering in Arizona and summering with the PT cruisers. We send his wife Jean, our dear member, love and condolences as she spends time with family and friends in warmer climates this winter. We look forward to your being with us next Spring, Jean. We will miss Jack.

### **Russ Adolf**

We also want to remember the president of the YakiVegas Cruisers, Russ Adolf, who died suddenly a couple of months ago. He and his wife Ann always worked so hard and showed so much kindness to us on our many trips to their winery tour. It must have been a shock to their club members. We remember him with gratitude.

## THE BIG NEWS

We are so happy to announce the election of Michael Peart as our new president for the coming year. Michael has the experience but most of all the love for the club and for the PT that is needed for this position. We are now accepting volunteers for the position of vice-president and we hope to have this person chosen at the November meeting. Terry Hontz will stay on as Secretary/Treasurer. Thanks you so much Michael and Terry for continuing to serve as leaders. We are ALL leaders in this club remember so we need to assume responsibility for the planning and attending of events as we have been to support our new and continuing leaders. The turn over of officer duties will take place in January.

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## Recent Events

## What's The Buzz?

### SEPTEMBER MEETING AT THE

**RAMIREZ'**- We had over 30 members attend the make your own omelets at Richard and Joan's house on the lake at the end of September. It was the member appreciation meeting as well and members were thanked for their service to the club with a thank you newsletter and token gift. What a fun afternoon and we owe a big thanks to Richard and Joan for providing such a FEAST!!

### SPONSOR NIGHT AT SONIC – OCT. 6TH

It was a bit chilly but we had a great turn out for Sonic Night as usual. Thank you all for the sponsor support.

### MYSTERY NIGHT – OCT. 16TH

Nearly 20 members braved a night out where they had "no clue" where they were going to end up. But it is known that they all had some good laughs at the local improve comedy troupe's murder mystery entitled "No Clue" at the Blue Door Theater on Garland.

### FALL LEAVE TOUR – OCT. 24TH

Again we had a great turn out for the final tour of the year planned by Rocky and Pam. They took us through some very scenic back roads in Idaho and then through the mountain passes to view the Tamaracks and we ended up in Montana at the 50,000 Silver Dollar Bar for lunch. We had a fun picture scavenger hunt to complete on the way. Thanks again, Rocky, Pam and all who participated.



Get out your cook books and plan a nice dish to bring to our annual **CHRISTMAS PARTY on December 12<sup>th</sup> at Ron and Barb Carfaro's**. The Cafaro's will provide the main dish and drinks and members will bring side dishes and desserts. The Cafaro's decorate the inside and outside of their house to look like a wonderful Christmas village with over 50,000 lights. What a treat. We had so much fun last year and are looking forward to the celebration again.

### MY TURKEY 'TIS OF THEE

The details are still forthcoming but we are going to stuff a PT Cruiser with turkeys and food for Tom's Turkey Drive sponsored by KREM2 News and Second Harvest Food Bank. We will be getting a spot on TV and want to challenge other PT drivers in the city to help us stuff the car. Members at the meeting in October signed up to bring food and to be there on the 21<sup>st</sup> of November. Get your friends to donate food for the car. We might fill up more than one! Other car clubs will be helping to staff the big truck but no one will be stuffing a car like we will be so this should be a fun way to support the local food drive for Thanksgiving dinners.

### THE AUSSIES ARE COMING!

Peter Rowberry and Arthur Arnold will be visiting the states from the PT Cruiser club in Australia in December. I hope they will be able to attend our Christmas Party.

### HOT CHOCOLATE RUN, THURSDAY, NOV. 6<sup>TH</sup>, 6:30 PM

Since it is now dark at 6:30 we will not meet and cruise but will just come to the Perkins on South Division for a social.

### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18<sup>TH</sup>, 7PM- MONTHLY MEETING AT EXIT REALTY

We are having the meeting a **week early** due to the Thanksgiving holiday. We will be discussing plans for next year's calendar so bring your ideas.