

FALCONS FOR FUN!!!

Cruizin' Eureka - 2001

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Early Saturday morning, October 20, 2001, several members of the Falcons for Fun headed north to spend a weekend in the redwoods. The



In the parking lot at the Women's Federation Grove.



A line-up of Falcons at historic Fort Humboldt in Eureka



Cruizin' the Avenue of the Giants!

Falcons left their Sonoma nest about 7:30 am.

Ray Johnson led the pack of Falcons. Our first stop was breakfast in Ukiah. Shortly thereafter, we relaxed at a rest area north of Laytonville. At about 11:00 AM, the flock of Falcons arrived in Garberville. The Union 76 station was overtaken by Falcons that were thirsty for fuel. About an hour later, we settled down for lunch in the Redwoods.

Our lunch spot was the Women's Federation Grove in the Humboldt Redwoods Park. This beautiful spot is situated along the Eel River in an ancient redwood grove.

Mike and Amarlis Wilwerding from Eureka joined the group at the Grove. Mike and Amarlis represented the Lost Coast Chapter and were our gracious hosts for the weekend.

After Lunch, eleven Falcons of different varieties made the final leg of the trip to Eureka. We arrived at the Comfort Inn at Eureka and checked into our rooms for some R & R before going out to dinner. That night we gathered at a large table at the Lost Coast Brewery for dinner. It was a noisy group with over 20 Falconeers at the table. After dinner,



If you haven't seen it yet, you really need to check out Nancy C's wagon--Bill did a great job on it!

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Mike and Amarlis invited us to their house for more fun! They have a charming home with so much to see and enjoy.



Who are those guys? Those guys are the brain-trust of the operation--Dave Laurice (current president on the left) and Ray Johnson (a past president on the right) stroll through the parking lot of the Samoa Cookhouse. We're going to convince Ray that he needs to bring long pants next year as the weather was a bit cool in Eureka.

The next morning, the group went off to the world famous Samoa Cookhouse for breakfast.

This historic restaurant has good food and a historic logging museum. If you leave the Cookhouse hungry, it's your own darn fault.

After breakfast, the group cruised to Fort Humboldt in Eureka. This area is a State Park that has some interesting history regarding the history of Eureka. After taking advantage of some photo opportunities, the group headed south to the quaint Victorian town of Ferndale.

Most of the group left Fernale by early afternoon. All returned safely to their nests.

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Breakfast at the Samoa Cookhouse