

Earl's Diary - Monday - May 6, 2013

Dear Loyal Readers,

Yesterday I had a great time on the Grand Canyon Railway trip to the Grand Canyon. Although the weather didn't cooperate, I did try to take some pictures of the canyon. It was overcast, cloudy, and almost rainy, AND cold! The train trip was enjoyable. I have lots of pictures to share with you. There are so many it may take a day or two to get them sorted out.

This morning we arose early in order to make the 350 mile trip to Albuquerque, NM. I got out of bed at 5:15, put The Peanut together, empty holding tanks, and was on the road by 7:45. It was a long drive for a solo driver, but Alan Weinel volunteered to spell me for short distances. However, we made several short stops along the way, so I didn't need to take advantage of his services.

I was elated to find another Dairy Queen out in the middle of nowhere again! With the numerous signs in front of us, how could we miss the place? Naturally, a blizzard was called for. I looked around for a sign to take a picture of. But alas, there was only one to be seen. That's OK however. We enjoyed our treats! Oh whoa is us! We passed two more DQ's. One even had a two for one sale.

I was reminiscing as we traveled through Gallup, NM. For those of you who may not know, Gallup is where wifey Patricia was born and raised. I had visited Gallup several times, so lots of the names on signs were familiar to me. We spent very little time visiting. In fact, we didn't visit at all. The freeway goes around the main part of Gallup! I'm sure the town has changed considerably since my last visit, some 20 years ago. I do remember the beautiful rocks that surround Gallup. The red rocks are especially beautiful.

We arrived at our stopping spot for the next two nights - American RV Park here in Albuquerque - about 3:30. Well, two of us are here. We are not sure when the two others will make it. The sun is out and it is considerably warmer than in Williams. It IS windy however! It's a nice park and well laid out. Tomorrow it's either sight-seeing, or just relaxing here in the park. I haven't decided yet. We'll see about that tomorrow.

That about it for today. Once again, thanks for traveling along with me.

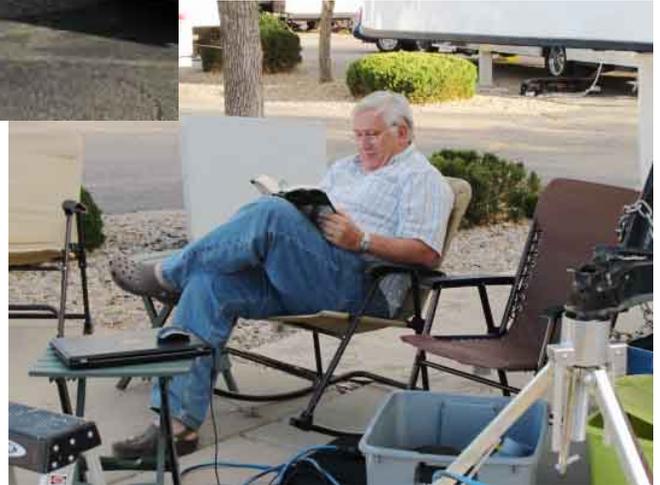
Bye for now - - Earl



The Peanut is all ready!



Here we are - side by side.



Alan had time to sit back, relax, and read a book.



These two empty spaces are for the others when they finally arrive.

Oops! My error. They just arrived. It's only 7:30.

