

Earl's Diary - Wednesday - September 18, 2013

Dear Loyal Readers One and All;

The weather this morning was bright and clear - not a cloud in the sky. I finally crawled out of the sack at 8:00. I must say, it was mighty chilly last night. Tonight I will surely put another cover on! I did notice, during the night as I looked out the window, that we have a full moon shining its bright essence over the landscape.



Welcome to Hat Creek Hereford Ranch RV park. The park is located in beautiful pine covered forest beside meandering Hat Creek and surrounded by green pastures. The "ranch" is an actual working cattle ranch. No cows can be seen right now. They must all be out to lunch.



There were a few Black Angus cattle munching on the green grass.



After breakfast I went about getting myself settled in before any more of our group started to arrive. At noon, I set off to see what sights I could see. I took one of the side roads and ended up in the tiny community of Cassel.

Just past Cassel and around several bends in the road, I came upon a most unusual sight at a local industrial park. Here, let me show you. In this case, a picture is worth more than a thousand words!







Can pigs fly?

Could it be art? Perhaps! Could it be junk? Nah -- I don't think so. Someone in our group suggested I might call it "junque". It was probably made out of recycled junk! I walked among the metal sculptures fascinated at what I was seeing!



Oh boy! A fire hydrant





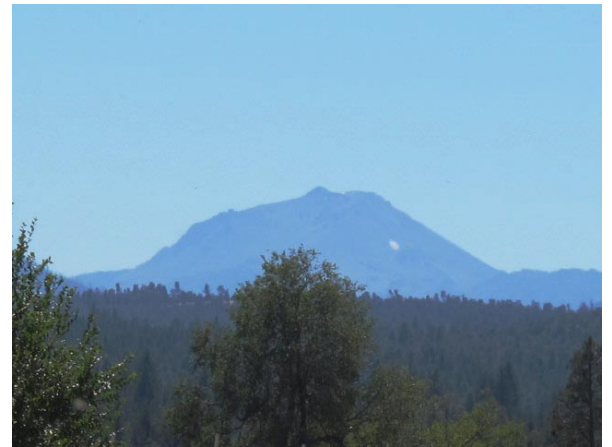


I spent almost 20 minutes walking among the sculptures. (I'm sure that's what they are - so I will call them that!)

My next stop was the town of Fall River Mills. The towns of Burney, Fall River Mills and McArthur are located in the InterMountain Region. I found out why it's called that by traveling to McArthur



By looking south, Mount Lassen appears on the distant horizon.



If a person looks north, Mount Shasta with its scant snow covering (for this time of year) looms on the horizon. This was my theory anyway. Others may have another explanation (which may, or may not, be more accurate).



My next stop was in the town of Burney at a local Safeway. Naturally I forgot a couple things when I left home. Did I say I was organized in my diary page from yesterday?

It was also a chance to visit the library and use their internet since the RV park internet is not working at the present time. I understand the park had a lightning strike that started a fire and interrupted their telephone and internet service.



I got back to the ranch just in time to greet our first arrival for the Nor Cal Roundup. Bill and Martha are from Fort Bragg. Soon after, three others arrived. So - - we are 5 here for the night. More participants are scheduled to arrive tomorrow.



Twin Peanuts???



Earl and The Peanut



It has been a busy day so I think I will sign off for tonight and head for bed. Tomorrow we have about 17 trailers coming in. Given my fancy title, Wagon Master, it will be my job to get all the "wagons" in the proper places. Thanks for coming along with me on this trip. Bye for now - - Earl