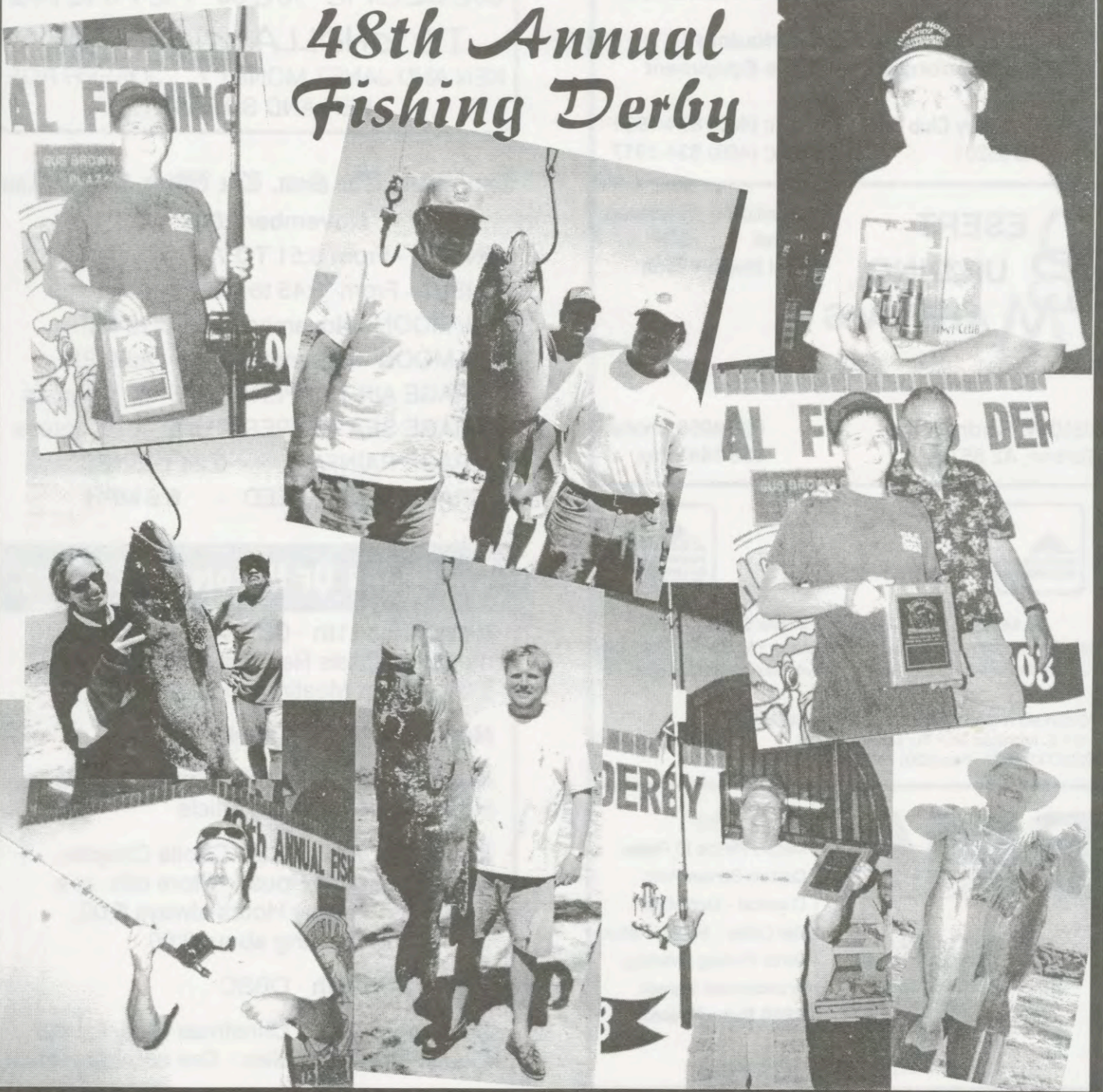




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RAIN IN ROCKY POINT

As most everyone knows by now, Rocky Point had a "big" rain as the aftermath of Hurricane Marty. Many Cholla Bay homes had roof and ceiling damage as a result. I don't know what the official rain-fall was (official??? - don't know if there is one) but I heard around six inches here in the Bay. Apparently there was much more in town, as I saw pictures of some houses that were surrounded by water. If you haven't been down to check on your house since then, you might want to travel on down here and check it out.

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FULL MOON - November 8th - 6:13 P.M.

NEW MOON - November 23rd - 3:59 P.M.

AVERAGE AIR TEMPERATURE - 62 Degrees

AVERAGE SEA TEMPERATURE - 67 Degrees

AVERAGE RAINFALL - 0.24 INCHES

AVERAGE WIND SPEED - 6.6 MPH

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS:

November 11th - CBSC Cholla Chapter meeting - Oasis Restaurant - Happy Hour 5:00, Dinner Meeting about 6:00

November 27th - Thanksgiving

November 29th - CBSC Craft Sale at Club House - See separate article

December 6th - CBSC Cholla Chapter Meeting at Club House - More info. at a later date - Happy Hours always 5:00, dinner and meeting about 6:00

December 13th - OBSC

December 20th - Christmas Party for our Cholla Mexico families - See separate article

WHAT WE TAKE FOR GRANTED

By Jo Barnes

Recently, I had weekend guests who hadn't been down to Rocky Point in over 20 years, and seeing everything through their eyes made us realize how much we have here that we should stop and take the time to appreciate.

The children headed straight for the beach as they quickly got out of the car, and were soon snorkeling in the clear water. You could hear squeals of excitement through their breathing tubes as they spotted just one fish or a whole school. We were lucky enough to have the dolphins come into the bay, and their joy at seeing the beauty and grace of the dolphins as they came up and out of the water made us stop and admire, too.

The cameras and binoculars were in almost constant use, especially for the spectacular sunset. Our guests got to see the sailboat races, and commented on how lovely the colorful sails were, set against the blue-green ocean, and the clear sky.

The fishing derby gave them the opportunity to see the launchers bringing the boats out to the deeper water to launch them, which was a source of wonder to the children. The osprey gave quite a show of climbing high and diving straight into the water and going back up when he missed a fish, and giving himself a shake in mid-air to get rid of the extra water.

We went to JJ's Cantina and had a cold drink, and watched the boats weighing in the fish. Saturday night was the Fish Fry, and they were impressed that the whole meal was free, including the drinks furnished by Vasquez Liquors from as far away as Sonoita. We explained that Vasquez has been doing this almost since the beginning of the Fishing Derbies -- which have been going on for forty eight years!

The last thing we did before they left was to go to La Curva for breakfast (along with half of the other Americans in the area). The children promised our waitress that they'd be back -- and soon!

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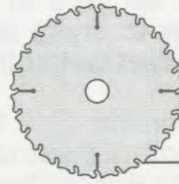
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Hi Everyone,

It is just a beautiful day in Cholla. A little too hot, if you don't have air conditioning, which we don't, but the water is so clear and the beach is beautiful. It's great swimming and snorkeling. It cools off about 3:00a.m. But we are going to Chandler tomorrow for a week and let it cool down during the day.

This past week-end was a very busy one here and there were lots of people. It was the last two days of the CBSC Fishing Derby and the Fish Fry with the awards ceremony was Sat. evening. I think about 300 people attended. Sid Palmer, derby chairman, and his crew did a great job. The Moen and the Otañez families and friends all did so much to help. Jeni O'Callahan and her crew, family and friends, and Enedina and Sal did a great job in the kitchen. Young Vasquez, I don't remember his first name, was there passing out the free drinks, with a lot of help from Lori Paseka. Too many helpers to mention!! It was just a great time. Thanks to everyone that helped!

J.J.'s had sail boat races this weekend also. It is just beautiful to see all those sail boats in the bay.

We are getting into "The Seasons" so get out your calendar and make notes so you don't miss anything!!

On Halloween night there will be the annual Halloweenie Roast at the Club House. Weenies and buns will be provided, well, sort of. There will be a \$1 charge per person for expenses. Please bring a dish of something that goes with hotdogs to share and BYOD. If you want to, you can wear your Halloween Costume. Also, if you have trick or treat candy, the local children that go out will come to the club and you can pass it out there.

The OBSC Italian dinner will be on Sat. Nov. 8th at the Club House and the CBSC meeting will be at The Desert Oasis on Tues. Nov. 11th. Both of these usually start with happy hour about 5:00.

I hope you are all getting your arts and crafts ready!! The Arts and Crafts Fair will be at the Club house on Saturday, Nov. 29th. I'll let you know the particulars later. If you are an artist or crafter, please plan to enter at least one of your "works" in the sale. For more information about this, just email me, stuffie@prodigy.net.mx We want this to be the best ever and it is a lot of fun!!!

The CBSC will be having its December dinner meeting on Sat., Dec. 6th. and the OBSC I think is planning a Chili Cook off on Sat., Dec. 13th

And the last thing that I know of for the year is the CBSC Christmas Party for the Mexican families that live in Cholla. Last year we gave food and toys to 36 families. I'm sure we will have that many this year. The main thing we are giving in the food line is roasts. We did this last year and it was very successful. If you are coming to Cholla between now and Dec. 20th, will you please pick up a nice big roast and bring it to me, Nancy Schmidli or take it to the Club House or give it to any CBSC member who will get it to me. If you want to donate it, we love you. If you don't want to donate it, we still love you and will pay you for it. It's just great to have people help bring these down. Please don't think it is too early. You can bring them now. Watch for sales. I'll list more things later.

This "note" is long enough!! Hope you're having a great time wherever you are, and hope to see you "in The Bay". Nancy S.

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Final Derby Results - Congratulations!

Once again, through the combined efforts of our sponsors who are so gracious in their support of our club, the many volunteers who spent countless hours making sure that everything was in place, and you, the fishermen... we have completed another successful CBSC fishing derby. I would like to personally thank each and every one of you for your efforts and help.

The derby committee would like to ask for your inputs as to what we might do to improve our derby, please share with us any ideas as to timing, categories, point system, fish fry et. el. We would also ask that you consider becoming a volunteer in any area that interests you, good people are always welcome.

The final results are as follows:

- Sid Palmer

ADULTS

Fish	Weight Lbs/Oz	Contestant Name
Dorado	1.3.0	Beverly Lamoe
Flounder	18.9.0	J. Johnson
Flounder	11.14.0	Crazy Charlie
Grouper	85.5.0	Ken Stewart
Grouper	77.4.0	Bruce Church
Grouper	74.0.0	Rick Felder
Mackerel	4.7.0	Beverly Lamoe
Mackerel	3.6.0	Joe Roe
Mackerel	1.9.0	Neil Jordan
Pargo	9.6.0	Donny Johnson
Pinto	11.14.5	Jose Anacleto
Pinto	11.7.5	Joe Roe
Pinto	8.7.0	Dick Miller
Red Snapper	11.8.0	Crazy Charlie
Red Snapper	8.9.0	Alan Otto
Red Snapper	8.4.0	J. Johnson
Sardinero	19.9.0	Jose Anacleto
Sardinero	18.12.0	Chas Baumgardner
Sardinero	16.10.5	Bill Carperter
Sea Trout	38.7.0	Dave Sutton
Sea Trout	22.6.0	Bob Carpenter
Sea Trout	13.0.0	Ken Stewart
Trigger	4.7.0	Keith Busby
Trigger	4.5.0	Allen O Neal
Trigger	4.5.0	John Holmes
Yellowtail	17.9.0	James Ballew
Fly Fishing		
Cochi	1.0.1	Brad Moen
Surfcasting		
Sea Trout	5.5.0	Brad Moen
Adult Big Fish (Boat)		
Grouper	89.7.0	Keith Busby
Adult Big Fish (Shore)		
Sea Trout	5.5.0	Brad Moen
Adult High Point - All Around Fisherman		
		Beverly Lamoe

JUNIORS

Fish	Weight Lbs/Oz	Contestant Name
Junior Misc.		
Rockbass	0.8.5	Mike Traverse
Rockbass	0.7.0	Brandon Traverse
Croaker	0.6.0	Zeke O'Callaghan
Jr. Fly Fishing		
Rockbass	0.5.5	Mike Traverse
Jr. Big Fish (Boat)		
Mackerel	1.1.0	Zeke O'Callaghan
Jr. Big Fish (Shore)		
Trigger	1.0.2	Mike Traverse
Jr. High Point Fisherman		
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Phase 1 Boat Jackpot		
Flounder	18.9.0	J. Johnson
Phase 2 Boat Jackpot		
Grouper	30.4.0	J. Johnson

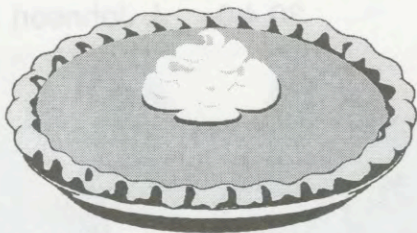


Cholla Chapter News

Our first meeting of the new "season" was held at the club house on October 14th. 35 of us gathered for a pot luck dinner, and had great food as always. Our VP Jack got around selling raffle tickets early on and after the dinner we had our usual "fun time" with the drawings. Hope some more members are back for the November meeting. Mark your calendars now. November 11th - a Tuesday - and it's going to be at the Oasis Restaurant on the out-skirts of town. They're doing fish, and every time we've gone there they've prepared very tasty fish and "stuff" to go with it. Hope to see a lot of you there. Then in December we'll do the meeting in Cholla again - It's Saturday, December 6th. Happy hour about 5:00, dinner about 6:00. The menu has not yet been decided, but it will be GOOD, I know.

As I write this, today is the last derby day and we're all preparing for tomorrow's fish fry and awards. There will be another article in this issue with derby results, etc.

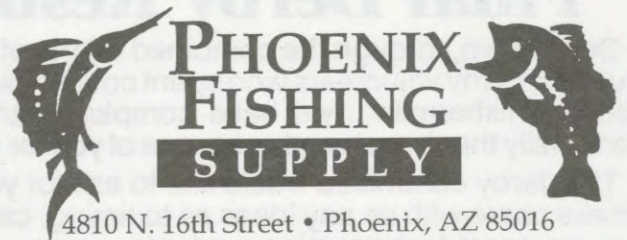
To members of Tucson Chapter and ex-Phoenix members, please join us at our meetings whenever you can.



PUMPKIN DREAM PIE

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- 1/2 cup milk
- 1/2 tsp. vanilla
- 2/3 cup milk
- 1 Pkg. Instant Vanilla Pudding
- 1 cup canned pumpkin
- 3/4 tsp. pumpkin pie spice
- 1 Baked 8" Pie Shell, cooled

Prepare Dream Whip with the 1/2 cup milk and the vanilla. Combine 1 cup of the dream- whip with the pudding, the 2/3 cup milk, the pumpkin and the spice. Beat slowly until well-mixed (about 1 minute). Chill until set - about 2 hours. Top with the remaining Dream Whip.

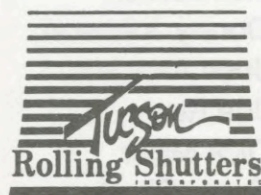


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- Ann Knights - Glendale
- Ben & Linni Tweedy - Tucson
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- Conner Gooch - Green Valley
- Eleanor Hull - Phoenix
- Gail Allison - Prescott
- Jim & Carol Schmidt - Phoenix
- L Hamblin - Mesa
- Les Ormsby - Sun City
- Martin - Phoenix
- Michael Baltzly - Tempe
- Nora Miller (2) - Phoenix
- Rick Smith (2) - Cholla
- Rose Barringer - Ftn Hills
- Roseann Redwine - Phoenix
- Tom & Sandy O'Hare (2) - Penasco
- Wayne Renaud - Arnold, Ca
- William Fleming - Phoenix

Congratulations!

COFFEE TALK

- Sally Dalton



You might think that with the new season there would be interesting news from this corner.... but with the beautiful beach weather (tropical), there isn't much to do here except to play in the sea in order to stay comfortable and happy, thus I have little to report. Welcome back to all the summer mountain dwellers who are slowly trickling into Cholla.

There is a little news in the stray dog/cat department. Debbie and Roger Grabske have volunteered to help coordinate services and donations with Nancy at the animal shelter in town. This doesn't mean we can depend on them to eradicate the problem, but if we each did a little something toward getting the animals to the vet or finding a home for some of them, the situation will improve. I have funds which have been donated, part of which we will keep here in Cholla, the other part will be given to Nancy at the shelter, to be kept aside for Cholla animals.

Keep living the good life.

CRAFT SALE

Don't forget the Craft Sale at the Club House in Cholla on Saturday, November 29th. Refer to fliers that will be posted around Cholla for the time. It will be sponsored by the CBSC to help raise funds to support the VHF radio system and maybe even help the building fund.

Our talented Artists and Crafters of Cholla have been busy, I hope, over the summer making items for this sale. As many of you know they do beautiful work! We hope to have some painting get-togethers in November; maybe at least one! I'll let you know by email. If you want to organize one, let me know. I'll get word out by email. We want as many items as possible for sale, so if you have a craft or art item, please give it to any of the members in Cholla or bring it to the Club House on Friday, November 28th. We want to encourage everyone to participate with all kinds of arts and crafts. Purchasing is also important. Don't forget to come by and do your Christmas shopping. See you there!

Nancy Schmidli 382-5036
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HEALTH TIP

from Pat

These are a couple thing I have found to be good for lowering cholesterol, or for keeping it low:

Almonds: Eat 6 raw almonds per day. I have found some good ones here in Rocky Point in a bin at LaMerced grocery store. Not only good for you, but good to eat.

Whole Ground Flaxseed Meal: This can be found at Health Food Stores. It's rich in fiber and very good at controlling cholesterol. Diena Belk told me about it and I've been using it. You can sprinkle it on cereal, bake it into breads, muffins, etc. I also like some sprinkled on salads. Use your imagination, as it's good on many things. It has a nutty flavor and tastes great.

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C.B.S.C. Christmas Party


The Christmas party this year for all of our Mexican families that live in Cholla will be held on Sat., Dec. 20th, at the Club house in Cholla. We will have Santa and Mrs. Santa and all the elves, crafts, pinatas, hotdogs and cookies and more! This is a very special day for us and our Mexican neighbors. They really look forward to it, as it has become a tradition here in Cholla we have had for many years. Many of the families here are not as needy as they once were, so this has become more an act of good will and friendship. It is the one thing we do just for them here in Cholla. Of course we reap a lot joy from it, also. But they really appreciate our doing this and whatever we give them to brighten the Holiday Season. Last year we gave to 35 families, a total of 143 people. As usual, we need lots of help.

Again this year we are giving roasts. We are having "The Big Roast-Round-up"!!! (this is so much easier for me than turkeys and they seem to like it better.) When you are coming down, bring a roast, as large as possible. Bring it to me, Nancy Schmidli, or take it to the Club House where we will be keeping them in the freezer or Pat Goodin. Be sure to put your name on it and all donations. Watch for the sales, as we can really get some good deals. I know we will need at least 35 roasts. Also, we will need: mayonnaise, peanut butter, jam or jelly, macaroni and cheese, flour, (they like the flour from the States, it is slightly different), cake, Jell-O and pudding mixes. The Tucson Chapter will supply and bring down the canned vegetables and we buy the beans, rice and oranges here, but if you care to donate any of these items, that will be great.

Diane Bennett has been doing a great job with the toys, but we still can use softball bats, softballs and gloves in particular and soccer balls; also toothpaste and toothbrushes. Of course, puzzles, games, art supplies and books in Spanish are always welcomed. We always need extra toys for all ages to fill in with at the last minute. They also like decks of playing cards. Please give these toys to Nancy Schmidli, Diane Bennett, Donna Wilhite, Pat Goodin or leave them in the library. Please put a note with them with your name. Also, we gratefully accept monetary donations. Make your check out to CBSC Christmas Fund and mail to Nancy Schmidli, PO Box 218, Lukeville, AZ 85341. Thanks so much for all your help!! We want to make this the "Best Christmas ever"!!!!



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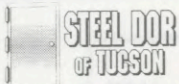
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Those of you returning to Cholla Bay will be quick to notice a bronze statue of Sr. Gustavo Brown, which was dedicated to honor him for his unique foresight into the future of tourism. He proved he was a dreamer and his dreams are becoming a reality as he watches the growth and developments in this area. This is a very meaningful, touching tribute to a man who is a believer and truly a man of his word.

Cholla Bay Management

Thought for Today...

A bell is not a bell till you ring it,
A song is not a song till you sing it.
Love in your heart is not put there to stay,
Love is not love till you give it away.

ADVENTURE

By Nancy Schmidli

On August 10th, Doug and Judy Jones, Don and I took a trip back in history. We rode the Cumbres and Toltec Scenic Narrow Gauge Train that winds its way from Antonito, CO, 30 mile south of Alamosa, to Chama, New Mexico. The first trip was made on this stretch of railroad on Dec. 31, 1880

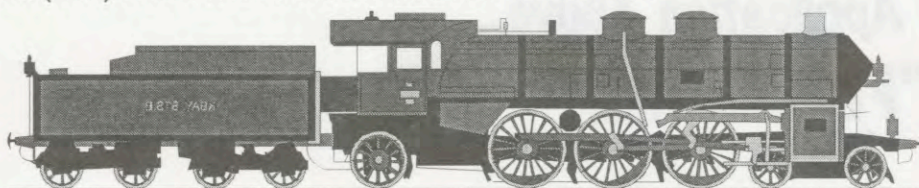


We met the night before and stayed at the charming and beautiful Oso Lodge Bed and Breakfast, about 3 mi. south of Chama. We scheduled a 7:30 breakfast (it was delicious) so we could get to the station in Chama, leave a car and drive to Antonito, take the train to Chama and then drive the first car from Chama to pick up the second car in Antonito and then return to Chama, each way being 47 miles, a total of 131 miles by car plus the 64 mile train ride. When we arrived at the Chama station, we were very pleasantly surprised to see buses waiting to take us to Antonito, all included in the \$62 price of the ticket, which they had failed to tell Doug when he made the reservations. This made our trip a lot more enjoyable!

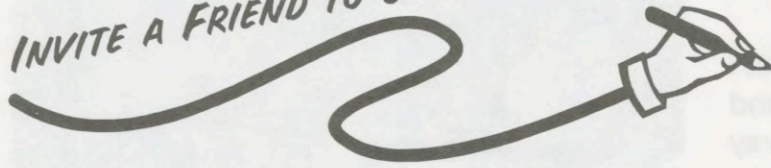
It was just like being in one of those western movies, all we needed was the proper attire. There was an engineer, a fireman, and several docent "conductors" to give information and answer questions. The train moved along pretty quickly as it left Antonito, which is located in the world's largest alpine desert, but the great climb through the Toltec Gorge and over the 10,015 ft. Cumbres Pass slowed it down considerably. The whistle blew, the engine puffed big clouds of black smoke and then white clouds of steam and we could feel the mist, which added to the enjoyment of the trip. From time to time we would see two fellows on motorcycles on the hillside by the tracks. In the olden days, they could have been hold-up men on horses, but they were just there to see the train and wave. Whenever we got close to the road there were people watching, waving and taking pictures. There is a snack car and at noon they stop at Osier, which used to be a tool station. Here is a cafeteria for lunch, not included, and to take on water from the water tank. I think it may have been the only water tank in operation, although there are several along the way. It is an all day trip, but the beautiful scenery and the feeling of being in a part of history long gone by makes it a terrific adventure, well worth the time and money. I think it would be beautiful to take this ride in late September when the leaves change colors.

This scenic railroad is America's longest and highest narrow gauge railroad. Narrow gauge means there are 36 inches between the rails, build so that the railroad could make tighter turns in the mountains and thereby reduce construction costs. This is the one remaining narrow gauge line that remains in the U.S. on which fans can experience steam railroading, puffing black smoke and expelling steam, over a mountain pass. This segment was part of the Denver & Rio Grande San Juan Extension, hastily built in the 1880's to service booming mining districts in southwestern Colorado. It's 64 miles of narrow gauge rail represents a complete mountain crossing from the upper Rio Grande in Colorado to the Rio Chama in New Mexico. Freight and passenger service boomed until 1893. But World War 1, automobiles and trucks cut into the rail revenue and by 1967 even excursions were dropped because of lack of maintenance. Efforts between then and 1970 led to dual state ownership and a lease to a private concessionaire, and a major attraction for tourists today.

The train runs on Tuesday and Wednesday, and Saturday and Sunday, May through September. For more information call (505) 756-2151 or www.cumbrestoltec.com.



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