

The Great PE Adventure Day One

June 16, 2010. Blake and I left home at 6:00 AM. The Model A had 90195 miles showing on the odometer. The temp. was 52 this morning at our house, didn't take my jacket off until Noon. We ate breakfast at Apple Annies in Tulare. Met the Pruetts in Madera, from that point on, didn't drive on the freeway any more. Got to Sacramento about 4:00 PM, uneventful trip, except that my windshield "blew in". We had to stop and buy a makeshift bracket to stop it. The wind was blowing really hard, so that is what caused the problem. We had dinner at the California Automobile Museum, which was formerly the Towe Automotive museum. Dinner was very good, tomorrow we start the real thing, going to Tahoe by days end.



Blake at the California Auto Museum



A Pristine '51 Ford Crestliner



The crowd going on the Tour



Larry Carpenter told us about the Pony Express



Jack Benny's 1916 Maxwell, with "Rochester"

June 17, 2010 - Day Two. Hank ran terrible this morning, so put the new distributor cap on that I brought from home. Suspected the distributor cap was bad, but truck was running so good when we left home, I didn't want to change it. We left the Red Lion at 8:00 AM, we followed Dave and Trudy Vestal to Placerville, and had breakfast at the Sportsman's Hall, an original Pony Express Station. From Placerville, we headed up US 50 toward Lake Tahoe. We stopped a couple of times in South Lake Tahoe, and then proceeded toward Carson City Nevada. In Carson City we went to the grocery store to get some things to complement our manifold cooked meal that we had put on in Placerville. Eddie and Sudy put potatoes in theirs, I put two cans of Dennison's Chili in mine. We bought salad, cheese, and chicken wings to go with the meal. Well, the Chili was fine, hot enough, but not too hot. The potatoes were another story, dried out, and hard as rocks, we put them in the microwave, and that did the job on them. All and all, we had a great day, did almost exactly 200 miles. Tomorrow, we head for Eureka, about 180 miles away. Odometer reading is 90694.



The Lodge at Strawberry, we had Ice Cream here!



Packing up at the Red Lion



Eldon and JoAnn by plaque at Strawberry



The Sportsmen's Hall



The Lodge at Strawberry again