



**By: Doug Haughton**



One by one 16 Bonanza's, 2 Baron's, and 41 anxious PBS'ers descended into the Lake Chelan Airport (S10) on Thursday, August 13<sup>th</sup> for the start of a great therapy weekend. Lake Chelan is located in North Central Washington State, East of the Cascade Mountain Range. At 50 miles long and 1486 feet deep, Lake Chelan

lived up to its reputation for scenic adventures, great eateries, and exciting water sports.....and yes, Golf at Bear Mountain Golf Course.



Our group enjoyed a wonderful welcome banquet on Thursday night prepared by Campbell's Resort located on the shores of Lake Chelan.

Early Friday morning we boarded the 65 foot long Lady Express for a 2 ½ hour boat ride to the remote town of Stehekin, accessible only by boat or airplane.



On arrival in Stehekin we were met by Aaron our bus driver and ushered into a classic old yellow School Bus for a tour of the area through the tall trees and dirt roads, plus a low level, low speed pass of the Stehekin Airport. After seeing the airport several Bonanza drivers understood why we didn't fly into Stehekin and opted instead to take the boat up and back.



During our tour of Stehekin Aaron also took us to Rainbow Falls, a 312 foot wall of liquid thunder where we were able to gather the troops for a group photo.



From there it was on to the Stehekin Pastry Company where a delicious lunch was waiting for us. After lunch the 4 hour boat ride back to Chelan on the 100 foot



Lady II was a great time for stories, sightseeing, solving a few world problems, and waving to the numerous jet skis playing in our wake.



Saturday morning we headed en masse to Blueberry Hills Farm in Manson where we were treated to a hot breakfast and cool blueberry picking, not necessarily in that order.

Our Saturday evening Banquet was held at the beautiful Tsillan



Cellars located on the South shore of Lake Chelan. Owner Dr. Bob Jankelson greeted our group and gave a brief history of the business that he dreamed, designed, and runs. Sorrento's, located

at Tsillan Cellars, presented a magnificent buffet that drew rave reviews.



Sunday morning brought clear blue skies and warm temperatures for the flight back

home to our various destinations. From the many positive comments it sounds like the few days of Lake Chelan therapy was a huge success.



OUR HOSTS:



Doug & Sandy Haughton



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