



Cruisin' News

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Ain't Got Time to Detail

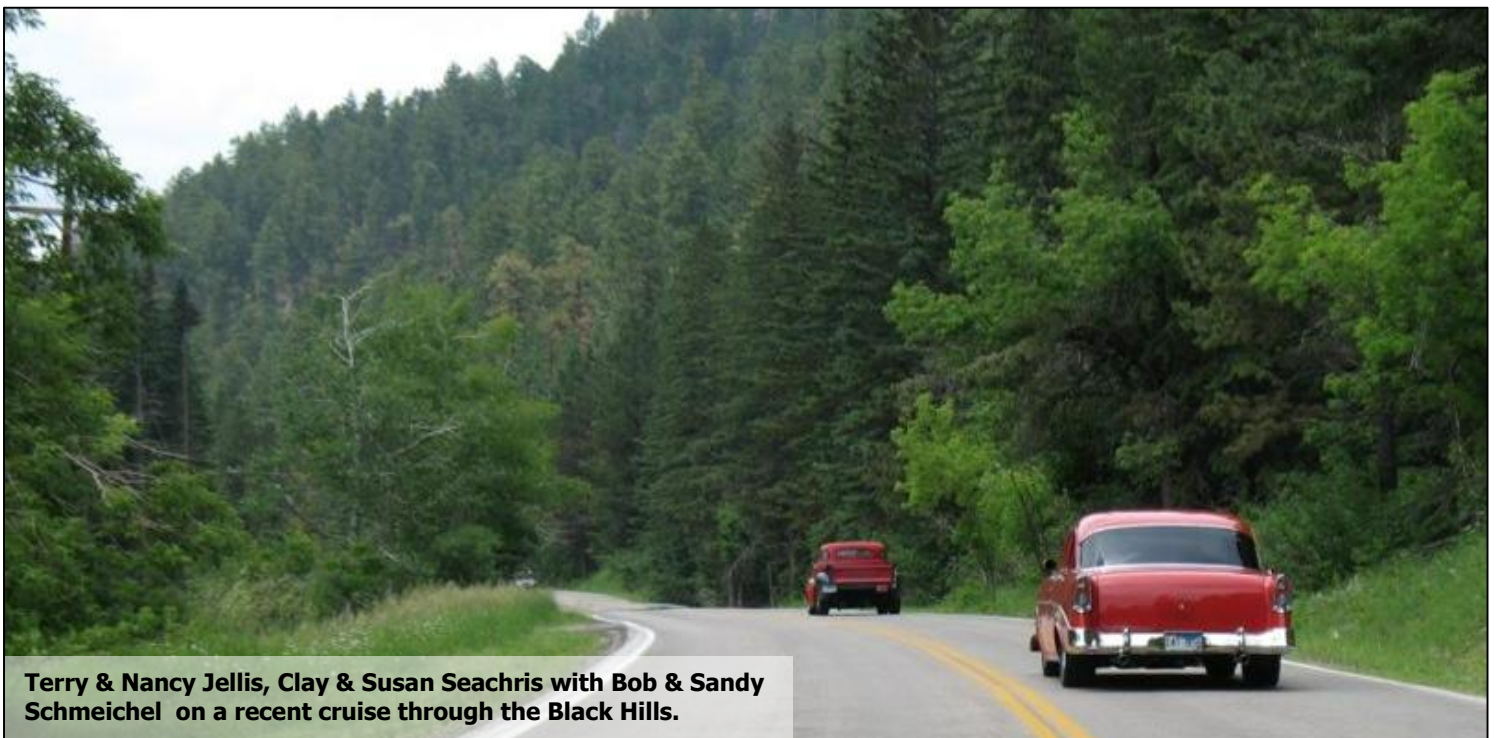
By Clay Seachris

President's message

It seems the summer cruises are so many, and so often I've had a hard time detailing my hotrod. Bugs splattered on the '56 Chevy from the Rapid City Rod Run finally got washed only to be replaced by new ones coming home from the Canton Classic Car Cruise night. Somewhere in there the interior got dirty, and I'm guessing it was that afternoon car show next to a dusty park road in Baltic. Oh well, it's been fun and I wouldn't change a thing. I'll keep in mind those dark winter evenings and utilize that time as a good time for detailing. Until then, "Where are we cruising to and is there ice cream?"

I do want to let you know some of that downtime has also been spent with Mark Bowers as we build a new club website. Our current website is around eight years old, so for internet website technology that's ancient. This spring when Microsoft quit supporting the site's software, it became so obsolete; Derrick Stokes could no longer keep it up to date. It's all good though as the new website will support more functions and be simpler to master behind the scenes. During the shopping and building process, we've kept in mind us hotrodders like to have high-speed, simple controls that anyone can drive and it has look good. So we hope you all think it's great when it goes online soon. Oh, also keep in mind, just like a hotrod build, we're working on it our spare time, so it may be a while. Yeah, and it will never be done as we tweak it to be just how we all like it. Geez, I could go on and on with the build analogies...

Much of the rest of my spare time has been spent coordinating our 2014 Membership Directory. Our treasurer, Jayne DeBoer, and I reviewed membership renewals along with new additions and wow, we really grew this year. I emailed out a directory rough draft and got back over a dozen revision replies. Thank you to all for keeping in touch. And thank you all for being so supportive of me, Jayne and all the other volunteers who have made this summer so much fun. We've got more memories to make. And, don't look too close at Susan and my hotrods. ☺



Terry & Nancy Jellis, Clay & Susan Seachris with Bob & Sandy Schmeichel on a recent cruise through the Black Hills.

Four-Wheel Addiction

By Bob Schmeichel

Some of us, myself included, are cursed and thought of by others as having love affairs with things that we drive. I am not sure why the allure is stronger for some than others, but having a specific vehicle to project what might be perceived as part of your personality can easily come off appearing that way. For those of us who work to have our dream cars become reality, the love and attention our rides get when finished is what makes us tick along with the new memories that happen because of them.

At the age of 14, Ron Friedbauer bought his first car, a 1946 Ford coupe, in 1961. Ron found out at an early age that there was always another car or truck that grabbed his attention more than what he had, which has sort of happened all through his life. And this is where Ron's story starts. In 1962, the '46 Ford was sold in order to purchase a 1940 Ford coupe. Then in late 1962, the '40 Ford coupe was sold in favor of a 1957 Plymouth two-door sedan with a V-8. Ron was starting a pattern of buying and selling cars for himself based on what was popular to drive at the time. Even though he was happy with what he had, there was always the pull of the next vehicle. In 1963 he sold the '57 Plymouth to purchase a 1956 Chevy two-door sedan, which was with him until 1964 when he sold it in favor of a 1955 Chevy. Most all of the time Ron did all the work on his cars learning along the way what worked and what didn't. The '55 Chevy was one of his favorite cars that he installed a 301 engine in it to go fast with. He probably had this car the longest leaving it behind when he enlisted in the Air Force in 1966. Without getting into too much detail, Ron told me his first wife crashed the '55 Chevy in 1969. So after getting out of the service in 1970, Ron replaced all front crashed sheet metal on the '55 and pulled out the 301 to keep for a later date in time for another car. The '55 Chevy body was sold shortly thereafter and enabled Ron to buy a newer car. It was a 1966 Nova with a 327 and 4-speed. Even though it was a fast car, Ron needed more speed. So in 1971, the Nova was traded for a 1967 Camaro with a 427 and 4-speed, which ran in a B/ Modified Production class at Thunder Valley. With the speed need met, Ron realized he still needed to have a daily driver. This led him to purchasing a 1957 Chevy Bel Aire wagon that he installed his saved 301 Chevy engine into. This wagon was used for quite a few years as main transportation while going back and forth to work with as well as attending Sioux Falls College at the same time. It was a good-running, dependable car. Work for Ron then was steady with long hours and usually expanded more to do with his work load than he expected. Changing occupations gave his life back to him making Ron feel good about his newly chosen direction to bring home a pay check

In 1996 when Ron was a little more comfortable and settled in with life, he bought a 1962 Chevy two-door sedan that he decided to restore. It was a 41,000-original-mile car with a six cylinder and powerglide trans. The car was so nice body-wise that the only thing Ron did to make it more user friendly was to change the drive train of the car over to a new 350 crate engine and 350 turbo trans. It was a gorgeous car when finished that he added Weld wheels and drove religiously until he sold it in 2009. It seems that Ron is one of those guys who likes to have more than one project going on at the same time because of old work habits. After getting the '62 Chevy done, Ron bought and sold a red and white 1956 Pontiac two-door wagon in 2001. And again in 2003, Ron bought a 1964 Chevy Bel Aire wagon. Pushing himself when he wasn't working, he freshened the entire car up in less than a year and sold it in 2004 only to buy another '64 wagon with an Oldsmobile name tag on it. During the rebuild of the Olds wagon and before he sold it, Ron bought a 1981 Chevy El Camino in 2006. After selling the Olds, the El Camino received the same treatment that Ron gave all his projects and was gone in 2008. After that Ron bought a couple more El Caminos, a 1985 and 1981, which took up the better part of the next four years. Talk about drive to do projects, I'm getting tired just trying to keep track of the vehicles as he is telling me about them and the order they happened in for one guy to do...and there is way more to this story but that is another time. I know that priorities change as we get older, but my hat is still definitely off to Ron for his achievements with cars.

This brings us to Ron's present car, which is really out of character for him and the drive he has had the last 50-plus years with all the cars he has done. He found the car on internet in 2009. It was a 1961 Chevy two-door sedan with a freshly built 468 Chevy Big Block, a 700R4 trans and completely done. The owner had this '61 Chevy and a 80s-something Chevelle drag car. The owner's wife told him that one of the cars had to go. As it turned out, Ron loved the car right away because it was different than others he had built or had, and realized he could not duplicate it for the selling price. Ron said he felt guilty buying the car for the asking price, but knew if he didn't, someone else would. So since buying this car, Ron has truly enjoyed just turning the key and driving it. Ron mentioned since buying this car in its done form, he has slowed down a bit. Yet I find it hard to believe that this story won't continue on since Ron has a 1964 Ford Falcon wagon in his garage today as I am writing this story. No pressure to finish it now, Ron!



New Young Rodder

Theodore Rutledge Frock joined our club on July 16 at 8:57 p.m. He's the 7 lbs. 7 oz., 21" newborn son of fellow members Josh and Lisa Frock. His granddad is also fellow street rodder David Frock, so we know he'll be liking anything with an engine. Congratulations to Josh, Lisa and all your family.



A Tough Summer

In last month's newsletter, we shared a story of the 3-foot vandalism scratch in Rick and Betsy Peterson's 1956 Chevy. Later that month they had a tire blowout tear up a rear fender. I'm guessing this will be a memorable summer for Rick and Betsy. ☹



This one's not gonna buff out...

Behind the Wheel

Behind the Wheel will be back next month. Karen Roe is taking time off from writing. She and Ron are enjoying the month hosting their daughter, son in-law and four grandchildren from New Zealand. They've been busy with a Black Hills vacation, along with showing off many sights and making many memories with family.

Poker Run Results

The annual poker run had record-breaking attendance, so the payout was quite sizable. Out of more than 70 hands played, best hand and biggest payout was four sixes, held by Art Slumskie. Second place was Lori Paulson and her grandson, Hudson. Cash for worst hand went to Glenn Walker.

Thank you to all the volunteers who worked the stops and all the participants who added to the fun!



Thank you Chauffeurs

On behalf of all the pageant title holders from the 2014 Canton Classic Car Parade, we really appreciate you car owners. Every year, we're so fortunate to have convertibles from the Great Plains club drive the titleholders in the Classic Car Parade. Thank you all again this year. Jessie Brower, the Little Miss Canton Pageant Director.



August Birthdays

(2nd half)

Dale Aurit	17
Deb Bowman	17
Betty Heidebrink	17
Duane Olson	17
Judy Bentson	18
Jean Knowlton	18
Shirley Alby	19
Glenn Walker	20
Robin Miller	22
Gale Horan	26
LaNette Munce	27
Terry Koch	28
Garry Remme	28
Shirley Cummings	28
Jeff Knowlton	29
Mike Tlustos	29

September Birthdays

(1st half)

Jayne DeBoer	1
Jeannine Ogle	4
David Frock	6
Sean Ahlers	8
Julie Slumskie	10
Dianne Corkill	12
Gary Thomas	12
Sheila Miller	14

August Anniversaries

(2nd half)

Ron and Karen Roe (50 th)	23
Tom and Judy Cain	29

September Anniversaries

(1st half)

Dave and Mave Sandberg	3
Kevin and Cheri Kappenman	6
Kirk and Michelle Lee	7
Rick and Betsy Peterson	10
Bones and Candi Hanson	11
Keith and Darla Schmuck	11
Scott and Bunny Brady	13
Jason and Christina Jellis	15

Dates Are Mid-Monthly

The two-month birthday and anniversary schedule is listed from the 15th to the 15th of each month.

Cruising With No Detailing Required



Art Slumskie Annual Poker Run Winner



Lori Paulson and Hudson 2nd Place



Glenn Walker Worst Hand Winner



Larry Snuttjer took Ken Buchanan cruising in his 1909 Buick Model F



Jean and Jeff Knowlton in the '62 Vette on our Poker Run



Duane & Jackie Olson enjoying the Poker run in their Shelby

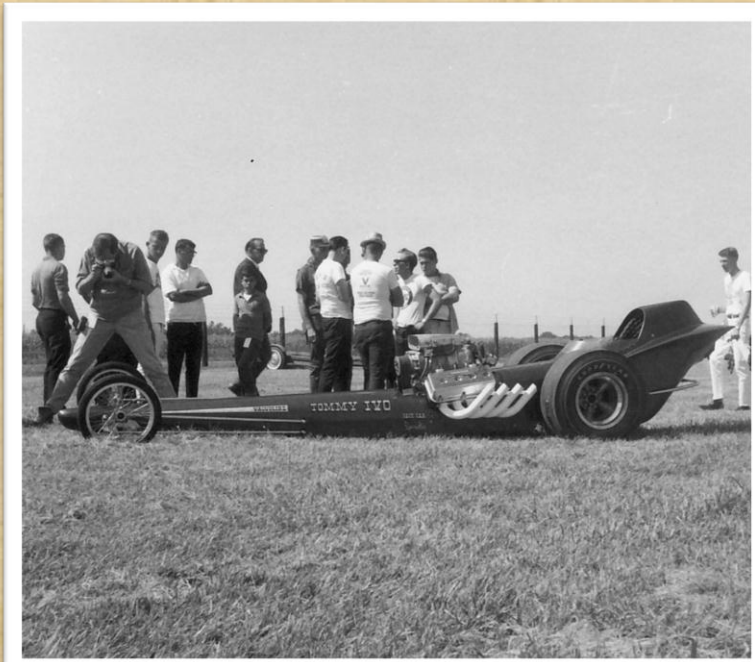


Vince and Sandy Jones with Little Miss Canton girls



Photographs and Memories by Tom Olsen

I'm a car guy and veteran Great Plains Street Rodder from Sioux Falls who developed an interest in cars in the early 1960s, and that passion has been with me all these years. Each month I'll share a picture or two in the newsletter and will offer a short narrative on each for your enjoyment. While I'm primarily a Chevy guy, I'll do my best to mix things up a bit so everyone sees something they might enjoy.



"TV Tommy" Ivo

While at the 1965 National Drags in Indianapolis, IN, I happened upon "TV Tommy" Ivo and his new Chrysler Hemi powered Top Fuel dragster. A car magazine (Hot Rod, I believe) was shooting photos of the car and interviewing Tommy for an upcoming issue. This is the car Tommy refers to as the "red winged" top fuel dragster; it was only raced in 1965, and eventually crashed. In the photo, Ivo is the shorter fellow, third from the right.

Tommy Ivo had an amazing radio, stage and screen career beginning at age 7. He performed in dozens of TV shows and movies including the *Donna Reed Show* and *Leave it to Beaver*.

He still lives in the house in Burbank, CA, that he bought at age 12. TV Tommy began racing in the 1950s and raced Buick-powered cars for years. Among many other cars, he raced a twin-engine Buick nailhead dragster, as well as a four-engine, 4WD dragster named "Showboat," which the NHRA later outlawed from competition. For a complete narrative of his amazing career, check out his website at www.tommyivo.com.

Annual Weinie Roast, 50th Anniversary Party for Ron and Karen Roe

This year's 10th Annual Wienie Roast at Ron and Karen Roe's is Saturday, August 23. It's also Ron and Karen's 50th Wedding Anniversary. The social starts at 5:00 p.m. Plan to eat around 6:15 p.m.

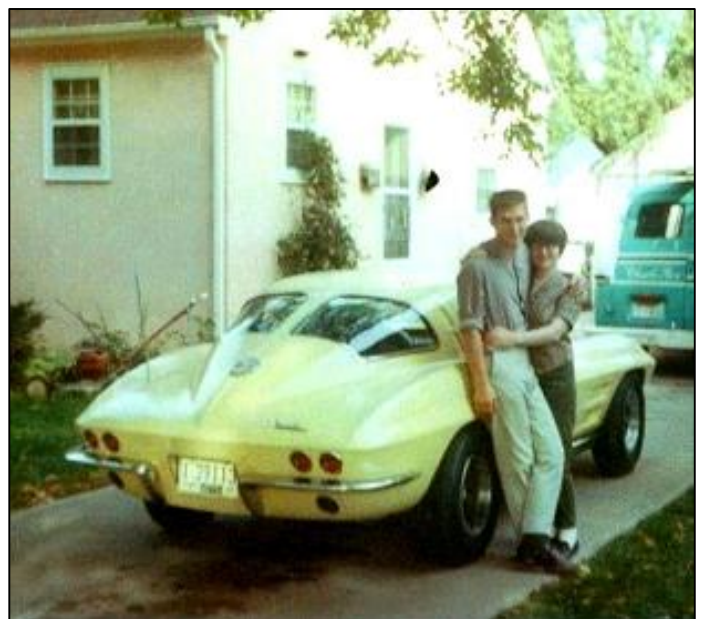
This is also potluck, so there's much more than weinies. Bring salads, chips, desserts or a hotdish.

It's a family picnic with games and lots of green space for your children to play. Kids of all ages roast marshmallows and make s'mores as the sun goes down. Bring your bag chairs and maybe a lap blanket or jacket as it gets cool by the fire after dark. Local singer Charles "Chas" Handy will be singing all kinds of classics.

The car club provides the hot dogs, ketchup, mustard, relish, water, drinks (Coke products) and utensils. The couple blocks of gravel is dust treated, but feel free to drive whatever you like.

Try to park hotrods on the east side facing the sun and down the middle, so those taking photos have the sun in their back.

Bob Schmeichel and others may be taking pictures as you enter so smile pretty. ☺



Siouxland Car Council Schedule

Every May we join with everyone at the Wednesday Night Cruises coordinated as a member club of the Siouxland Car Council. Please join us. Guests are welcome. We are a family-oriented club, we encourage the next generation, so children are also always welcome to all our events.



08/20/14 **Veteran's Hospital Car Show**

2501 W. 22nd St, Sioux Falls, SD

08/27/14 **Bethany Meadows, Show-n-Shine**

3008 E. Aspen Blvd., Brandon, SD

09/03/14 **Dakota Digital Cruise Night**

4510 W. 61st St. N, Sioux Falls

09/10/14 **First Reformed Church**

4800 S. Tomar Road, Sioux Falls

09/17/14 **Arby's, East 10th**

2729 East 10th Street, Sioux Falls

09/24/14 **Executive Touch / Subaru**

1011 S. Minnesota Ave., Sioux Falls

We've got more cruise nights being planned, but late September and into October we need to keep in mind places that accommodate the weather.

Great Plains
SIOUX FALLS, SOUTH DAKOTA
Street Rodders

Club Logo Apparel

You may have your own clothing items embroidered with our logos at Midstates Imprinted Sportswear, 935 E. 8th Street, 332-7811 or call fellow member Tom Cain 339-3559 or 3951-3062. Here's a custom jacket Tom made for Bob Van Noort.

Classified Ads

(Free to All Members)



FOR SALE – Five wheels, four tires for a 92-96 vintage Ford F-150 pick-up / Bronco, Tires are six ply Michelin 34 X 10.50X 15. Rims are 15, five hole, 5 1/2, 7 wide. All for \$250. Jerry Miller 605-368-2418.

FOR SALE – One wheel and tire for a snowmobile trailer, Tire is 205- 65-10 and has never been on the ground. The rim is 5 hole, 5 1/4 bolt circle Titan brand that is 10 dia. And 6 wide. \$50.00 or best offer. Jerry Miller at 605-368-2418



FOR SALE – 2004 Continental Cargo Auto Plus Enclosed Car Trailer, 24' + 4' v-nose for 28' total, extra height (7'6"), 4' walk-in door, 4 1/2' escape door, 102" wide, rock guard, tires have less than 500mi., 4 interior lights on 2 switches, 2 roof vents, D-rings, E-track on walls. I'm the 2nd owner of this; first owner used as storage at his lake cabin. We used it as storage for our hot rod. Pulls nice and straight; tires, interior, exterior all excellent. \$8800. Contact Reed Petersen 605-261-9192. Leave a message if I don't answer.



FOR SALE – 1947 Chevy 2-Door Sedan, All original, Stored inside for years, Very Solid hotrod project. Glenn Walker 336-7070

FOR SALE – 4L60E Transmission 1994 Chevy, Completely rebuilt, \$650, Call Doug 351-5599

FOR SALE – 1947 Blue Ford Club Coupe, 302 Ford balanced motor with a B&M 144, Pro-Charger, AOD Ford transmission, Ford 9" rear-end with Richmond 3:55gears, A/C and heat, P.S., louvered and flamed hood, painless wiring, stance is right, fast, reliable, tight Coupe. \$34,800. Contact Bill Kullander 605-366-1158 kullbill@sio.midco.net



FOR SALE – Chevy 350 ci Goodwrench Engine only about 20,000 miles \$500 Call Doug 605-351-5599

FOR SALE – Rims and Tires, I95-14 and 275-14 for Chevy. Call John Moore 605-371-0787



FOR SALE – Picnic Tables I make them in different sizes. Cost depends on size. Inquire to Rick Petersen, 605-201-6073



FOR SALE – Chevy Manifolds, Cast# 3747042 originally for 1958-67 283c.i. John Moore 371-0787



FOR SALE – 1940 Lincoln Zephyr 4 dr. sedan, reliable fuel injected Chevy motor, 700R4 trans., A/C, Tilt wheel, wide white radials. Great road car. Black color with brown mohair interior. Asking \$17,500. Larry Snuttjer 605-351-5385, lsnuttjer@gmail.com.



FOR SALE – Chevy Headers Call John Moore 605-371-0787



FOR SALE – Fine China, Royal Albert Old Country Roses Dining Set - 64 pieces that are like new, eight place settings and many accessories. Worth about \$1,800 new, would sell for \$800. Judy Horan 553-3923



FOR SALE – **Brand New Tires**,
Two General Altimax tires size
205/70/14. I purchased these
for my wagon project, mounted
them on wheels, then decided to
go to a bigger tire. They've
never been driven on. I paid
\$200 + tax for the pair, will sell
for \$150. Tom Olsen 759-6567

FOR SALE – **14" Chevy Rally
Wheels** \$10 for the pair. Text or call
Sean Ahlers 262-9409



FOR SALE – **1995 Camaro Sub-
frame** and front suspension, spindle
to spindle, calipers struts sway bar
\$100. Sean Ahlers 262-9409



FOR SALE – **SBC Chevy Intakes**,
Edelbrock Torker II intake manifold
\$30. Old style SBC Holley Street
Dominator intake manifold \$15.
need this all gone... Text or call me
605-262-9409 thanks Sean Ahlers

FOR SALE – **1963 Pontiac
Bonneville Convertible**, overhauled
good interior \$4500, Steve Ollerich
940-4227

FOR FREE – **19" Color TV**,
Symphonic picture tube box style.
Works fine. First one to pick it up.
Clay Seachris 360-4995

Easy Summer Meal

Fresh summer produce makes an easy, tasty meal when you
are busy running from one event to another. Thank you for
sharing your recipes.

Recipe

Tuna on a Shoestring

From the kitchen of Judy Horan

1 can of tuna, drained	3/4 cup of salad dressing or mayo
1 cup of shredded carrots	1 can of shoestring potatoes (about 3 cups)
1 cup of diced celery	4 large tomatoes, chilled, cut open into a
1/4 cup of minced onion	tomato cup

In large bowl, mix all ingredients except the shoestring potatoes, which
should be mixed in just before serving. Chill to blend flavors. Serve in
tomato cups.

Recipe

Creamy Cucumbers

From the kitchen of Susan Seachris

1/2 cup sour cream or plain yogurt	1/4 tsp dried dill weed
1 Tbsp white vinegar	1/4 tsp salt
1 tsp sugar	1 large cucumber

Cut the cucumber in half lengthwise then slice. In a covered container,
mix sour cream (or yogurt), vinegar, sugar, dill weed and salt. Add
cucumber and toss to coat. Cover and chill for 2 to 24 hours. Stir before
serving.

Recipe

Blueberry Dessert

From the kitchen of Jim Kuhle (Well, he shared a magazine with recipes.) ☺

1 can blueberry pie filling	1 box white cake mix
2-3 cups fresh blueberries	1/2 cup melted butter
1/2 cup white sugar	

Grease a 9x13-inch pan. Spread pie filling in pan. Coat blueberries with
sugar and layer over filling. Sprinkle dry cake mix over blueberries.
Drizzle with melted butter. Bake at 350 degrees for 45 minutes or until
top is lightly browned. When slightly cooled, serve with ice cream or
whipped cream.