



# PONY EXPRESS POST

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## Meet the Pony Express 150 Team:



- MAFCA Technical Director **Dick Przywitowski** chairs this amazing tour. Along with his wife, **Lois**, they have a zillion details, emails, visits and phone calls to put in place for the 1,900 mile adventure.
- Restorer Editor **Jim Spawn** is the East team captain. Jim has been involved with the many details for the east departure on through to the big event June 23 in Casper, Wyoming. Jim also does the Pony Express Post e-newsletter, event promotion, and other stuff.
- The West team captains are **Dave and Trudy Vestal** and **Mary and Ron Tribbett**. All veteran Californian Model A tour folks and well-known to MAFCA members. They are in the midst of details for the Sacramento departure and the route eastward to Casper.
- We're thrilled to have Web MASTER **Rick Black** on the team! Rick is organizing a terrific event Web site. One lead car from both east and west will be equipped with GPS sending units. Every five minutes they'll beam up to Ricks site and Web site visitors will be able to watch the tour progress on a map, linked to [www.mafca.com](http://www.mafca.com). There'll also be daily blogs and photos uploaded from participants showing the attractions along the Pony Express Auto Tour.
- Nothing is done without paper work and **Paul and Donna Lewis** have agreed to serve as Registrars for us. Paul currently serves on the MAFFI Board of Directors and Donna was President of MAFCA in 2006. There is another huge challenge sorting out departures from both ends.
- **Donna Grabianowski** has a wealth of banking experience and is always helpful. She heads up the Pony Express 150 financial affairs.

## Trailer Parking:

We know that some members may wish to trailer their Model A to either the East or West starting points. Efforts are underway to obtain secure, free trailer storage. More details as they develop.



## Casper, Wyoming – June 23, 2010

Model A Fords will arrive from both East and West departures on June 22. June 23 will be a day-long celebration in Casper. Two major highlights of Casper are:  
Fort Caspar: Yes, it is spelled Caspar - you'll learn why when you get there. Built in 1936, Fort Caspar is an exact replica built from the original blue-prints of the Fort. Our cars will be parked on the grounds and later assembled for a parade through Casper.  
A Do-Not-Miss attraction is the National Historic Trails Interpretive Center. Casper was the funnel for the Oregon Trail, the California Trail, the Mormon Trail, and of course, the Pony Express Route. More than 500,000 people, mostly walked through Casper to seek a better life out West. Visit: [www.casperwyoming.info](http://www.casperwyoming.info).

## Departure Details:

Casper isn't exactly the half-way point of our tour. As such the West coast travelers have a bit farther to go. So, those leaving from the west side will meet for a departure dinner in Sacramento on June 16 and leave June 17th for Casper. On the east side, cars will gather in Riverside, Missouri for a big kick-off party and then go into St. Joseph as a group on June 19.

