

The "Great Race" is Coming to East Lewis County!



Volunteer to Help with this GREAT Event!

The East Lewis County Chamber of Commerce is pleased to announce its partnership with Cascade Peaks RV Resort, to host the "Last Pit Stop" for the Great Race on July 8, 2005, as the drivers stop in Packwood on the last leg of the race. This annual cross-country antique automobile race is the country's longest running vintage automobile rally.

This exciting event will bring national attention to east Lewis County and provide opportunities for regional and local businesses, organizations, and residents to get involved.

Each year, more than 40 cities host the Great Racers along the cross-country course with a celebrity-style welcome. Always free to the public, over 300,000 spectators attend Great Race stops each year to cheer for the adventurers in their marvelous machines and enjoy an up-close and personal view of the vintage vehicles. Family-focused activities include parades, local car shows, and festivals.

Host cities also compete for the Great Race's "Great American City Awards." If we win this award, the Packwood & Randle Libraries will receive a donation of \$2,500 to share, from the race organizers! Here's a GREAT chance for the community to come together and show its enthusiasm and community spirit!

Want to Get Involved?

GREAT! Because we need many volunteers to help make this a fun and memorable community event. The ELCCC welcomes volunteers who would like to help organize community activities and entertainment for East Lewis County's **Great Race Last Pit Stop Day**, and assist in planning, logistics, hospitality, publicity, and other needs. Please fill out the form below, or online at www.eastlewiscountychamber.com/racevolunteer.htm, or e-mail this information to director@eastlewiscountychamber.com if you would like to volunteer.

How One City Participated
Monday, June 30 became a City holiday for most in the City of Fayetteville. "Our locals are still talking about the excitement and want to host the Great Race again," said Lynn Wampler, City Administrator. Mayor John Ed Underwood commented, "This was a once in a lifetime opportunity for our citizens, to see and participate in the Great Race, I am very pleased with the public response. I certainly didn't expect what happened, the sheer vastness of the crowds. Once the cars came in, the spectators were very much participants and took great interest in the vehicles on display." County executive Jerry Mansfield added, "Getting this Great American City award for best pit stop is just icing on the cake. We had formed a committee of ten volunteers from different areas. Some were connected to city government, some business people and others, home-makers. The Chamber of Commerce was heavily involved. And, the turnout showed it. We had about 19 cars from various car clubs on display during the day."
www.greatrace.com/articles.php?article=030721

Name _____ Address _____
Phone _____ E-mail _____

How would you like to help? (check all that apply)

Planning _____ Logistics _____ Publicity _____
Plan event-day community activities _____ Assist with activities _____
Entertainment — obtain/coordinate _____
Provide activities (list type) _____
Provide entertainment (list type) _____
Marketing/giveaways (procure gifts/"goody bag" items from local merchants to give to drivers, and other in-kind donations) _____
Pit stop sponsorships _____
Other (please list) _____
Please tell us a little about yourself, your experience, and why you would like to help _____