

HOPi Nation 968 Roundup

The National Escape program for 2011 is being staged in Flagstaff Az by the Arizona Region September 14-17. As a member of the steering committee Dick Petticrew has arranged for one of the many tours taking place in Northern Arizona to be a 968 Roundup.

This tour will go deep into Hopi (HO-pee) Tribal Lands, which are surrounded by the Navajo Reservation. Most Hopi live in pueblo villages on or near three mesas in NE Arizona. Some villages contain dwellings that are centuries old; Old Oraibi, on Third Mesa, has been occupied since at least 1150. We will travel through Kykotsmovi enroute to the Hopi Cultural Center. Here we will find a museum and products of the Hopi people: coiled baskets, Kachina dolls, silver and turquoise jewelry. A native hoop dance will be presented. From here we proceed to Winslow on one of the longer and rather desolate straight roads you've ever experienced. In Winslow we will visit the La Posada Inn, an historic inn once operated by the Sante Fe Railroad during the 1930's and 40's, where we will have lunch in its reincarnated Harvey's operated restaurant. Winslow is also the sight of the "Standing on the corner . . ." We look forward to having a large representation of our favorite: the 968.

Registration for Escape opens on April 20 - a word to the wise: do not delay as capacity is limited and is expected to fill within days. The last Escape in Vancouver sold out in 2 days.

For full information on Escape go to the National web site under Activities, or contact Dick Petticrew.