

Bits and Pieces

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Even though we aren't sleeping in our own bed, it sure is nice to not have to get up at 5:30 every morning right now. It's funny how I loved getting up even earlier while we were in Desert Hot Springs and somehow it didn't bother me at all. Neither Rick or I feel like we have fully adjusted to this eastern time zone so I am attributing the way I feel about early mornings to the time change; after all 5:30 here is only 2:30 AM in the west and that is ridiculously early.

Today was a day for picking up bits and pieces; oddball parts or attachments for various areas of the motorhome. After another great breakfast with our new friends and fellow B & B guests, Barb and Jim, we headed to R & R Woodworking to pick up some trim that we were having painted for the inside of the motorhome. Then we went to Wakarusa to pick up our newly upholstered desk chair and our recovered throw cushions for the couch; all things we had done because of our extra long stay here. From there we headed to Elkhart to see if [Westland Sales](#), the washer/dryer repair centre, had found the cause of our machine's temperamental behaviour. One new pump and a switch later, it is working like a charm and will be ready to go back in our Moho on Friday. (It has been giving us grief since we were in California and we learned of this repair centre last week; see there is a silver lining behind every cloud!) Finally we went to

[Ramco](#)

to get "top-hats" (mirror extensions) for our side mirrors on the Moho, a cheaper alternative than whole new mirrors and something Rick convinced me he needs; hey, anything for safety!

A quick stop at [Red Lobster](#) for a late lunch and then we met up with Barb and Jim in Goshen where we got together with another couple who we'd met at Travel Supreme's service facility last week. Frank and Sharon are traveling vendors of steering stabilizers (among other things) and Frank is installing one on our rig on Friday (again a safety device and something to

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help reduce wear on the steering mechanisms). After seeing what these devices are all about, Jim has also opted to have one added to his rig so he made arrangements to have his done on Friday with ours.

On our way home, we all (Jim & Barb and Rick & I) stopped at [Precision Painting](#) to see the progress being made there and it looks like both of our rigs will be back at the Travel Supreme's service centre on Friday. We are hoping the finishing touches will be completed, Frank will install the stabilizer and we will be rolling down the highway by Saturday! Please, keep your fingers crossed for us, will you?

While we are out during the day, because she is in unfamiliar surroundings, Sam, our cat, has found a place where she can sleep without being disturbed. Those are her eyes glowing at the back of the drawer seen in this picture.