

STATE OF ARIZONA HISTORICAL MARKER

Record of Historical Information
From
The Ancient and Honorable Order of E Clampus Vitus

Plaque: **Lost Dutchman Plaque #11**

Name of Plaque: **Beale Wagon Road**

Location of Plaque, **Seligman. Az., Main St. And Old U.S. 66**
Lat/Long: 35.3266N -112.8751W

Explain the Design of the Plaque and Base: **Bronze Plaque Placed Into A Concrete Monolith**

Date of Dedication: **10/23/1993**

President of Chapter at time of Dedication: **Ron "Whizfish" Jones NGH #4**

Are requested Photos enclosed? Yes X /No

Exact Wording of the Plaque:

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SELIGMAN AZ**

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