

Spotlight: The Carver Hangar

For a great meal in Carver, mix equal parts:

- Family friendly restaurant
- Vibrant sports bar
- Great service and food -- hand-thrown pizzas and American fare served in healthy portions
- Fun decor highlighting aviation, sports, and classic cars
- Spacious covered deck
- Connections to early Carver history

The Carver Hangar is a longstanding hot spot in Carver. An everyday, family friendly restaurant and bar, it enjoys a prime position overlooking the Carver Bridge and the Clackamas River.

Its rich history stretches back to the early days of the community. The building is tied to the origins of the town itself, connected to the Mumpower pioneer family. The building was constructed early in the last century for the Carver State Bank.



The original Carver State Bank building

Early commerce in the heyday of the logging era had made the site a business hub, but the need for a bank waned and the building was sold.

Sometime after Echo Larkin Mumpower started the Echo Inn in the early '20s, her husband Paul acquired the bank building. It was strategically located across the street from Echo's eatery at the traffic corner where the highway meets the bridge.

It was remodeled to four apartments in 1941. The bottom floor was later converted to a tavern. Through the years, the structure changed and was known first as Hoof and Fin and then as Mumpy's Hangar. One of the first hard liquor licenses in Oregon was received by Mumpy's on May 1, 1951.

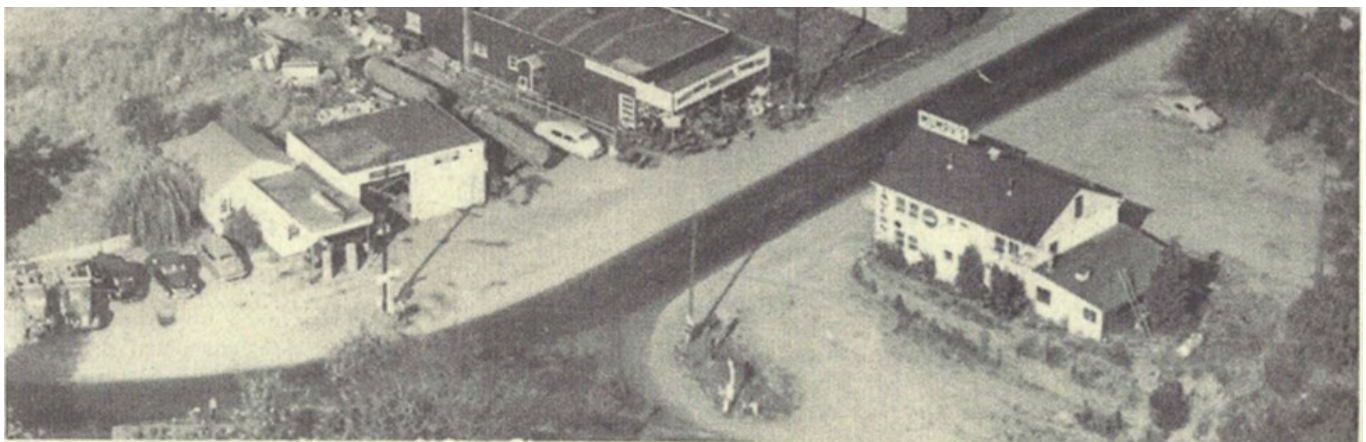
Liz Mitchell and her family bought Mumpy's in 1993 and it's been known as The Carver Hangar ever since. The Mitchells now own and operate three restaurants in the area: The Hangar, The



Redland Café, and the Eagle Creek Saloon. Each is a full-service restaurant serving breakfast, lunch and dinner every day of the week. The extensive menu gives diners lots of options for every meal.

The model airplanes filling the skies at the Hangar came with the property (the Mumpower family had ties to aviation), and the Mitchells added sports memorabilia to fit their concept of a neighborhood sports bar/restaurant. When an informal group of car enthusiasts began showing up on Friday mornings, pictures of classic cars started getting hung in the bar.

The restaurant now features a main dining area with roomy booths, a separate saloon section, and additional seating upstairs that helps accommodate large groups.



CARVER, OREGON - at Highway 224 and bridge junction - circa 1947

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You can see the Mummy's sign atop the building several years after it was acquired by the Mumpowers.