

# Happy Holidays



December 2013

# TUCSON DRIFTERS NEWSLETTER



Tom Roubal, Editor

## CARING AND SHARING

Lois Wiley

### Happy Birthday:

Margrita	Hutchison	12/2
Alberta	Jones	12/2
Mary	Perovich	12/7
Ken	Hall	12/9
Sybil	Byrnes	12/14
Carol	Smith	12/22
Ben	Miller	12/27



### Happy Anniversary:

Ilene & Dick	Nevins	12/8
Sybil & Peter	Brnes/Hickey	12/10
Soile & Bob	Jones	12/21
Kendra & Bernie	Kuehn	12/23
Suzie & Marve	Bass	12/31
Judy & Rick	Rolland	12/31
Susan & Hank	Russell	12/31



Anyone with just the smallest piece of news please phone me at 749-4386 or e-mail me at [flwiley@cox.net](mailto:flwiley@cox.net) and I will put it in the sharing and caring column and you will make everyone happy!

## 2014 CLUB OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

The following Tucson Drifters Officers and Directors for 2014 were elected at the November business meeting:

President	Rick Rolland
VP	Linda Salfen
VP for Planning	Ruth Roubal
Asst VP for Planning	Cheryl Dye
Secretary	Marv Bass
Treasurer	Gayle Fisher
Asst. Treasurer	Beverly Johnson
National Director	Bernie Kuehn

Alt. National Director    Jeff Salfen

### Board of Directors

John Fearnow	Suzi Bass
Tom Roubal	Donna Rogers
Lois Wiley	Lori Miller
JoAnne Powell	

## TUCSON DRIFTERS DECEMBER DINNER MEETING

To celebrate the 15 year anniversary of the club, the dinner this month will be paid for by the club. Our **free** December Dinner Meeting will be held on **Tuesday, December 3**, at the Lazydays Florizona Restaurant at the Lazydays RV Resort (formerly known as Beaudry's RV Resort). (Lazydays is located on Irvington Rd, One block West of the intersection of E Irvington Rd and S Palo Verde Blvd. The RV Resort and restaurant is located at the back of the property. Call Rick Rolland at 405-2123 if you can't find it)

**Reservations due by Friday November 29 at noon.**

Some of us are interested in doing a small rendezvous at Lazydays before and/or after the December Dinner Meeting. If you are interested, let Lazydays know so we can get RV spots close together at the special rally rate (around \$32/night).

We will have Happy Hour at 5:30 P.M., with dinner served at 6:15 P.M.

### The menu is:

### Grilled Top Sirloin

*Served with mushroom Demi glaze, Truffle mashed potatoes and fresh seasonal market vegetables*



*Entrees include Chef Choice soup or salad, dessert, ice tea, coffee.*

**2nd Choice: Alternative to entrée option**

### **Azteca Chicken Salad**

*Organic mix greens, tomatoes, cucumber, roasted corn and cheese tossed with cilantro lime vinaigrette  
Includes dessert, ice tea, coffee.*

### **Beverage Pricing**

*Beer \$3*

*House Margaritas \$3*

*Well Cocktails \$4*

*Wine \$5*

*Soft Drinks \$1*

**Send your reservations to Rick Rolland.** Rick's e-mail is [rickrolland@websbest.com](mailto:rickrolland@websbest.com) or he can be reached at 520-405-2123. The cost of the dinner is free. There will be a sign-in table for payment for upcoming rallies and dues renewal. **Please write a single check for total payment.**

Reservation cancellations will be accepted up to Friday, November 29 at noon and must be telephoned in to Rick Rolland at 405-2123 (No E-Mails).

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Rick Rolland  
Tucson Drifters Treasurer

### **LOST & FOUND..MYSTERY RALLY**

Laraine Coplin

In this case..it is lost. During the Rally the ladies enjoyed a lovely tea served on beautiful china...borrowed china. While packing away the dishes I found there was one stemmed acrylic water glass missing. Search through your coaches and see if you may have carried it out of the luncheon. It was part of a set. If you find it, please bring it to the

December dinner meeting and I will return it to complete the set.

### **ACTIVITIES MEETING MINUTES - November 5, 2013**

Attendees: Larry & Laraine Coplin, Howard & Cheryl Dye,



Dick & Gayle Fisher, Bill Hohmann & Joann Snow, Roger & Beverly Johnson, Lori Miller, Donna Rogers, Rick & Judy Rolland, Tom & Ruth Roubal, Jeff & Linda Salfen, and Clint & Carol Smith

The Activities Meeting was held at Lazy Days RV Resort and was called to order on November 5<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m. by Ruth Roubal.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

**November 14-17 - Mystery Rally (less than 200 miles) -** cutoff date for this rally is today - tickets have been purchased and everything is ready to go. Coplin/Roubal/Dye

**December 3<sup>rd</sup> -** There will be no organized rally this month. The club will have its normally scheduled dinner meeting on December 3<sup>rd</sup>. This will be our holiday celebration. The club will cover the cost of dinner for its members. Those wishing to come in early may do so by making their own reservations at Lazy Days RV Resort.

**December 30-January 2 - Casa Grande, Arizona (80 miles) -** Get Oiled at the Ruins for the New Year! - Everything for this rally is set to go. There are only 40 tickets available for the New Years Eve Party. Reservations must be in no later than November 14<sup>th</sup>. After that date, any unsold tickets will be turned back to the RV park. Rally includes Casa Grande Ruins tour, Queen Creek Olive Mill class and tour, New Year's Eve party featuring the "Western Electric" band, brunch and dinner on January 1<sup>st</sup>, and a continental breakfast before departure on January 2<sup>nd</sup>. The cost of this rally is \$255.00 for two people. Johnson/Bass/Baumann & Nester

**February 20-23 - Mesa, Arizona (115 miles) -** Mesa Spirit RV Resort - This rally is being billed as The A&E (Arts & Entertainment) Rally - Activities include: the Great Fair in Fountain Hills, Mesa Marketplace, a comedy show, dinner at Organ Stop Pizza, and a Dinner Detective show. January 8<sup>th</sup> is the cutoff date for reservations. Each reservation



will require a \$100.00 deposit. The rally cost is \$295.00 for two people. Coplin/Rolland/Miller/Kuznicki

**March 13-16** - Picacho Peak, Arizona (40 miles) - Picacho Peak RV Resort - Rally will be centered around the re-enactment of the Arizona Civil War Skirmish. The RV park is very nice and offers a clubhouse for our exclusive use. Activities being considered are a state capitol tour, visit to an ostrich farm, Civil War activities, and the Florence museum. The RV sites are \$26.00 per night. Rally fee has not yet been established. Smith/Miller/Martin/Fearnaw

A rendezvous is being planned for the previous weekend to see Donnie Osmond (Sunday, March 9<sup>th</sup>) at the Mesa Regal RV Park.

**April 4-7** - Benson, Arizona (48 miles) - Kartchner Caverns - Salfens will visit the area next week to check on RV parks and activities for this rally. Salfen/Hohmann/Snow/Castriotta/Powell

**May** - Moab, Utah (580 miles) - Canyonlands and Arches National Parks - No date set as of this time - May is a very busy month in Moab thus RV parks are not readily available for rallies. Hosts are still checking out possible locations for this rally. Most of the RV parks in the area do not have clubhouses so it may not be possible to celebrate the club's 15<sup>th</sup> anniversary at this rally. It was mentioned that the anniversary could be celebrated in October. Dye/Roubal

**October 1-5** - Ruidoso, New Mexico (399 miles) - Legends of Lincoln County - This rally will include a geo hunt. Johnson/Fisher

**NEW BUSINESS**

The January dinner meeting was discussed. The meeting date is January 7<sup>th</sup> and eight couples will be in Las Vegas at the electronics convention. The consensus was that the meeting should be cancelled. A motion to this affect was made, seconded, and passed.

The next meeting will be on Tuesday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> prior to the dinner meeting.

There will be no January activities meeting so bring your suggestions for next season's rallies to the December meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

**ACTIVITIES MEETING**

will be held at 3:30 pm at Lazydays RV Resort. We will discuss our proposals for future events and activities and will greatly appreciate your thoughts, ideas, and participation. There will be some refreshments too. Hope to see you there. Ruth Roubal,

**NEW YEAR'S EVE RALLY**

**December 30, 2013 - January 2, 2014**

**Get olive Oiled @ the Ruins for the New Year!**

Crazy name for a fabulous rally! We'll meet Monday 12/30/13 at Palm Creek RV Resort in Casa Grande, AZ with a potluck the first night.

Tuesday, 12/31/13 we'll visit the Casa Grande Ruins National Monument for a movie and guided tour, then head north to Queen Creek Olive Mill. Here we'll have another guided tour plus tastings, and you'll be free to visit the gift shop and have lunch on your own, on site. Plenty of time when you return to your coach for a nap.



New Year's Eve celebration will include a live band and "heavy hors d'oevres" with the opportunity for lots of dancing and listening and celebrating with your fellow

Drifters.

New Year's Day we'll have a 9:30 brunch in time for you to catch whatever football games and parades are important to you, and meet for a light dinner that night.

On 1/2/14 we'll have a continental breakfast before you head home to begin the new year.

This rally is currently *Sold Out*. Check with Beverly Johnson for more information.

**FOR SALE-BRAKE BUDDY**

Brake Buddy Classic - \$600 (1 year old)  
Original Cost \$980  
Just bought a Ford Fusion Hybrid with electric brakes. Great unit, but this Brake Buddy doesn't work with electric brakes.  
Will sell for \$600. Contact Rick Rolland 405-2123

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## President's Corner:



*Hello Drifters,*

*We just returned from a great time on the Mystery Rally. We had a very nice turnout and the weather was just perfect. We really had a lot of very nice activities and lots of great food. It was a nice ride up to Apache Junction and everyone arrived with no problems.*

*We are moving into the busy and fun part of the year. It is always good to see the holiday season role around. This is an especially busy time of the year for Cheryl and me. We will be in the Denver area for Christmas and New Years. We will celebrate both holidays with family. Cheryl and I want to wish you and yours a very happy holiday season and hope the New Year will bring you good cheer.*

*My term as your President will be coming to a close very soon. Our new officers and directors will take the helm on January 1, 2014. I have enjoyed being your president the last two years.*

*Cheryl and I will not be able to attend the December dinner meeting, as we have to attend our Home Owners Association Annual Meeting. We are both on the Board and our presence is required. Your Vice President, Linda, will be conducting the meeting, in my absence.*

*I look forward to seeing all of you Drifters at future activities and Dinner meetings.*

*Howard*

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## CHRISTMAS RENDEZVOUS AT LAZY DAYS

DECEMBER 2 THRU DECEMBER 4, 2013

Join us for some relaxation and fun prior to the Tucson Drifters Christmas Meeting and party. Some of you are coming in on Sunday but we will not start activities until Monday.

December 2, 2013 Monday - Arrive at your leisure. 3:00 PM BYOB happy hour with chips and salsa will be provided. Leave at appx. 4:00 PM for Pinnacle Peak Steakhouse in Trail Dust Town (pay on your own) for a stroll thru time and a great dinner cowboy style. Meals start at \$8.99 to the larger than life Cowboy steak Dinner at \$21.99. All meals come with garden salad, bread, and their our signature cowboy beans. Wear your dud's and boots and make sure to wear a tie (IT WILL BE A CUTTING EXPERIENCE). We will return around 7:30 PM and meet in the club house for Desert and Coffee with a gift exchange. One gift per person if you wish to join in the fun.

December 3, Tuesday - Breakfast on your own. Lunch at 12:00 PM at rally central-Hosted. 3:30 PM Activity meeting, so bring your ideas for next season. 5:30 Tucson Drifters Dinner and Party - hosted by your very own club. December 4, Wednesday - 8:30 AM -Bring your favorite breakfast drink and enjoy a farewell light breakfast.

NO MEETING IN JANUARY - SEE YOU ALL IN FEBRUARY.

Ruth Roubal, Vice President of Planning and Activities

## ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT RALLY



February 20 - 23, 2014



The Arts And Entertainment Rally will be at Mesa Spirit RV Resort, Mesa, AZ. **Deadline for reservations: 01/08/2014.** This rally is filled with vast amounts of arts, crafts, music, food and laughter. In other words - FUN, FUN, FUN !!!



We'll meet you Thursday at the Mesa Spirit RV Resort, 3020 E Main St., Mesa, AZ. There will be a BYOB happy hour followed by a potluck /heavy hors d'oeuvres dinner. Then we will go to the Bernie & Red Comedy Show at the park.

The rest of the weekend will include trips to:

- The **Fountain Hills Great Fair**, home of one of the world's tallest fountains and a juried art fair with 480 artists, entertainment and food.
- **Organ Stop Pizza**, dinner and musical entertainment provided by a 1927 Wurlitzer Theatre Organ with 6000 pipes.
- **Mesa Market Place**, recreational shopping at it's best...allows you to wander among 900 merchants in 1600 shops along a 1-1/4 mile shopping lane, while being entertained by live musical groups and food courts along the way.
- The **Dinner Detective** at the Marriott features dinner while participating in an interactive murder mystery.

Lots to do, see and enjoy ... if you have any "down-time" there are lots of other venues available. The fair and marketplace are handicap accessible; scooter and chair rentals available.

DEADLINE for registration is January 8th. Reserve your spot today!

Your Rally Hosts: Coplin / Miller / Rolland / Kuznicki

## THE BLUE and THE GRAY

March 13-16, 2014  
Picacho Peak Rv Resort

### Thursday 3/13/14.

Afternoon Check-in  
5:30 pm Potluck and evening movie: Lincoln

### Friday 3/14/14

7:30-8:30 a.m. Breakfast in the Club House

9:30 a.m. AZ State Capital & Museum Tour  
Legislature will be in sessions--so will include talking with AZ Senator or Representative

(Optional Activities: Museum in Florence and also one in Casa Grande, Hike the Peak, Geocaching, Monestary near Florence, etc.)

Lunch on your own

6:00 p.m. Catered Dinner  
Game night---Bring your favorite

### Saturday 3/15/14.

7:30-8:30 a.m. Breakfast in the Club House  
Seminar on History of the battle and other interesting things

9:30 a.m. Ostrich Farm tour---ride the Monster Truck, Feed animals

Lunch on your own

Afternoon: Visit the exhibits at State Park  
Take in the RE-ENACTMENT of the only Battle in AZ

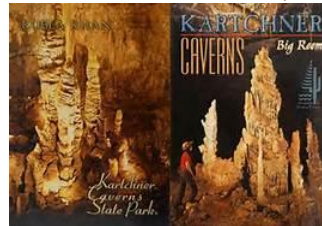
5 p.m. Cook-out by Hosts

### Sunday 3/16/14

Farewell

## KARTCHNER KAVERN KRAWL and GAMMONS GULCH

April 3-6, 2014



Come join the Drifters at the Kartchner Kavern Krawl. This rally will include tours of both caverns and also a tour of Gammon's Gulch. We might be entertained at Gammons Gulch by local actors. Most meals will be included along with a star party at the resort's private observatory.

So, get your reservation in to guarantee your ticket for the Kavern Krawl.

Rally Hosts: Salfens, Castriottas, Powells, Hohman/Snow

# MYSTERY RALLY PICS



Steamboatin at Canyon Lake



Sharing gifts/prizes



Singing along with Hank Williams Jr.



Auto Racing - sort of



Enjoyin the Opry



Just takin it easy ?



Having a Ladies Tea



## DRIFTER GALS - - -

No one wrote with questions, concerns or solutions so here are a couple of tips that may help with keeping the motor coach clean without spending your fun time doing it - -

- After you clean the shower, apply a thin coat of baby oil (or orange oil) to the inside of the glass and on the walls. This will allow the water drops to slither down rather than sitting and drying on the surfaces.

- Check out a product called 'Invisible Glass' (I found it in the automotive section at Wal-Mart). It leaves no smears on the glass, counter tops or stainless steel surfaces, and often I can go back later and buff off new fingerprints or spatters on mirrors without using the cleaner again.

- Laraine Coplan swears by micro-fiber cloths from 'Almost Heaven' products in Yuma you can check them out at <http://www.almostheavenproducts.com/home.php>. The company is owned by Good Sam members which should be a positive note.

- Laraine also had another suggestion - when you make your bed before storing the coach, cover it with another top sheet. When you return to the coach you can remove the sheet and shake out the dust that would have settled on your bed had you not used the cover. Soooo - I got to thinking about that and decided to also try throwing covers over my sofas and chairs. You'd be amazed at the amount of dust you shake out - or at least I was! Nobody has even boasted about how air-tight the coaches are!!!!

Now I have a question - what do you gals use to clean the rugs in your coaches? I'm thinking a small steam cleaner should do the trick but am a little concerned about what's under the rug and whether I might mess that up. Inquiring minds are wondering.

Suzi Bass



# Tucson Drifters Events Calendar

2013-2014 - *A Work in Progress*

*It's not where you go, but who you go with!*



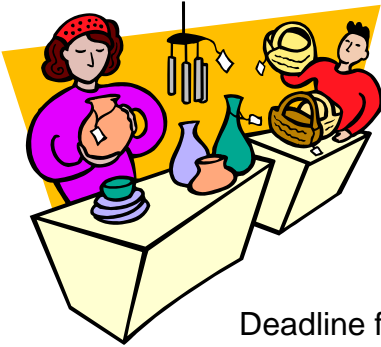
October 2013		November 2013		December 2013		January 2014	
Title:		Title:	<b>IT'S A MYSTERY TO ME</b>	Title:	<b>HOLIDAY RALLY/DINNER MEETING</b>	Title:	<b>NEW YEAR'S EVE CELEBRATION</b>
Date:		Date:	Nov 14-17	Date:	TBD	Date:	Dec 30-Jan 2
Place:		Place:	Instructions to follow	Place:	Lazydays RV Resort, Tucson	Place:	Palm Creek RV Resort Casa Grande, AZ
Host:	<b>No Host - No Rally</b>	Host:	Coplin/Roubal/Dye/Baldrige/Nickerson	Host:	Activities Volunteers	Host:	Johnson/Bass/Nester/Baumann
February 2014		March 2014		April 2014		May 2014	
Title:	<b>ARTS &amp; ENTERTAINMENT</b>	Title:	<b>THE BLUE &amp; THE GRAY</b>	Title:	<b>KARCHNER CAVERNS</b>	Title:	<b>CANYONLANDS AND ARCHES NATIONAL PARKS</b>
Date:	Feb 20-23	Date:	Mar 13-16	Date:	Apr 4-7	Date:	TBD
Place:	Mesa Spirit RV Resort Mesa, AZ	Place:	Picacho Peak, AZ	Place:	Benson, AZ	Place:	Moab, UT
Host:	Coplin/Miller/Rolland/Kuznicki	Host:	Smith/Miller/Martin/Fearnow	Host:	Salfen/Hohmann/Snow/Castriotta/Powell	Host:	Roubal/Dye

Visit our website with our own club name as the URL: [www.TucsonDrifters.org](http://www.TucsonDrifters.org)

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# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT RALLY!



## REGISTRATION FORM

Mesa Spirit RV Resort  
3020 E Main St., Mesa, AZ



February 20-23, 2014

Deadline for reservation January 8th; final payment by February 1st

Thursday 2/20/14	Arrival, happy hour, potluck / heavy hors d'oeuvres Bring your own table setting, drink and a food dish to share. Evening entertainment: The Bernie & Red Comedy Show
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Saturday 2/22/14	Breakfast, Mesa Market Place for recreational shopping The Dinner Detective for dinner & interactive murder mystery.
Sunday 2/23/14	Continental breakfast. Departure

Name		Motorhome Length	
Phone -Home		Phone - Cell	
Email			
Pet(s) Description			

Rally Costs	( )	1 Person	\$202
	( )	2 Persons	\$295
	( )	3 Persons	\$394
		TOTAL DUE	
		DEPOSIT PAID by 1/8/14	\$100
		BALANCE DUE by 2/1/14	

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Name		Motorhome Length	
Phone -Home		Phone - Cell	
Email			

Rally Costs	( )	1 Person	\$135
	( )	2 Persons	\$190
	( )	3 Persons	\$245
		Total Due	
		Deposit Paid by February 20, 2014	\$50
		Balance due by March 5, 2014	

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Name		Motorhome Length	
Phone -Home		Phone - Cell	
Email			
Pet(s) Description			

Rally Costs	( )	1 Person	\$170
	( )	2 Persons	\$225
	( )	3 Persons	\$280
		<b>TOTAL DUE</b>	
		DEPOSIT PAID by 12/18/14	\$50
		BALANCE DUE by 3/1/14	

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