



FEBRUARY 2016

TUCSON DRIFTERS NEWSLETTER

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



Tom Roubal, Editor

CARING AND SHARING

Lois Wiley

Happy Birthday:



We missed a January Newsletter birthday. Apologies to Jennie Christensen who celebrated her birthday on January 4.

Lori Miller	2/4
Fred Brooks	2/8
Chuck Schuller	2/13
Veera Schlichter	2/13
Dick Teschner	2/18
Irene Kuznicki	2/25
Joanne Hall	2/26

Happy Anniversary:



Bill Baumann and Nancy Nester	2/14
Ken and Joanne Hall	2/17

FEBRUARY DINNER MEETING

Please note: Make your reservations and advise which dinner you prefer **no later than noon, January 28th**. If you don't receive a confirmation reply, we do not have your reservation. Cancellations must be made by Sunday January 29th, phone call only 520-219-2896.

Meeting: **Tuesday, February 2, 2016.**
5:30 Social Hour. 6:15 Dinner

Our VP for Planning, Ruth Roubal, and Assistant VP for Planning, Lori Miller, have arranged for a great meeting to include a guest speaker from the Tucson Fire Department. We are privileged to have a presentation by the TFD Information Officer, Barrett Baker. This will be followed by a Valentine Tribute.

Where: Shrine Center of Tucson at 450 S. Tucson Blvd.
(South of Broadway,) Tucson, AZ

Pick one:

Grilled Pork Cutlet/gravy with roasted southwestern potatoes, roll/butter/salad and dessert

OR

Chicken Caesar Salad, Bowl of soup, plus dessert

Cost: \$16.50 (inclusive) each. Checks please, it will be difficult to make change for this uneven amount!!!!
Dinners will include chips/salsa during Happy Hour.

Drinks from the adjoining bar may be **purchased separately**.

Please remember that if you make a reservation and do not attend the meeting (or phone in cancellation to 520-219-2896) by the Sunday before the meeting you will still be responsible for reimbursing the Tucson Drifters for the cost of your meal.

We look forward to seeing you there

Preceding the Dinner meeting at the Shrine Center, there will be an **ACTIVITIES MEETING** at 3:30. Snacks will be served. All are invited to come as we continue to review our upcoming rally plans and activities.

There will also be a **BOARD MEETING** at 4:15

RALLY NOTICE

Due to a cancellation for medical reasons, we have an open space for the **Santa Cruz Rally**. If anyone is interested they need to sign up ASAP. Contact Bernie Kuehn by e-mail or call at 520-977-7996 if you are interested.

SANTA CRUZ VALLEY ARTS & HISTORY
February 11-14, 2016
GREEN VALLEY RV RESORT



President's Corner:



Now that we have survived the holidays, we can look forward to a new series of rally's starting in February.

The Santa Cruz Valley Arts & History Rally on February 11-14, 2016 now has one opening available. As you may have noticed, we have many more RVers participating in our rallies than in past years, so I encourage you to sign up early so you don't miss out. The March Wickenburg and April Mystery Rally as well as the May/June Waltzing thru Tennessee with a 2-step to Atlanta rally are still open so get your reservations and deposits in now!

Remember that the newsletter outlines the upcoming rallies in great detail, and I encourage you to consider taking part in them.

Don't forget to send in your membership renewal....we have a lot of activities for you to participate in.

The activity committee is already working on planning the 2016/2017 rally schedule. You will love what they are planning! Attend the planning meetings and give us your input.

I would like to welcome new members Marvin and Barbara Fling. Many of our new members have signed up for future rallies. Let's make them feel welcome. I encourage all of you to also be on the lookout for new potential members. Give them a brochure and refer them to the Drifters website. It has lots of information about the club and access to the newsletters. www.tucsondrifters.org

I always welcome your comments and suggestions.

If you have purchased a new or used coach recently, send an e-mail to our treasurer so we can update the membership listing.

The new officers and directors began their role January 1. Our new treasurer Steve Miller is now on-board, so all rally reservations and payments should be mailed to him. Thanks to everyone who volunteered. I appreciate it.

I encourage all of you to consider purchasing a logo'ed Tucson Drifters shirt to wear at Drifters events. We now have an arrangement with Aztec Embroidery and Screen-printing here in Tucson that allows you to order a shirt in men's and women's sizes and styles directly from the vendor. See the newsletter for more details.

Don't let that rig stay in the driveway...Let's go places.

Rick



TUCSON DRIFTERS 2016 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

With the closing of 2015 comes the renewal of membership for 2016. According to our Bylaws, annual dues become payable beginning January 1. In addition to the dues payment, please submit the membership renewal form at the end of the newsletter. While the form may seem redundant to our membership, it is very important to support bookkeeping and to verify each member's information in the membership listing that is published on our web site.

Annual dues are required to be paid **no later than March 31, 2016**. Any member who does not submit their dues payment by March 31 will be dropped from the Tucson Drifters membership. Also, remember that all members must keep their FMCA membership current.

This renewal does not apply to those who joined the Chapter after June 1, 2015; your dues are paid through 2016.

WAY OUT WEST!!!!

Wickenburg, AZ
Mar 31-Apr 3, 2016



The Tucson Drifters are returning to the wonderful little town of Wickenburg, Arizona where we will stay at the Desert Cypress RV Resort located at 610 Jack Burden Rd.

Resting on the northern edge of the Sonoran Desert, just below Arizona's mountainous country, the Wickenburg area abounds in natural beauty. While the area's geological treasures attracted the miners from around the world, the Hassayampa River flood plain provided fertile soil for farming and ranching. For centuries, the western Yavapai made the banks of this oasis their home, irrigating their

crops of corn, beans, squash, and tobacco with river water. They named this place Haseyamo, "following the water as far as it goes," from which the word Hassayampa derived. The [Hassayampa River Preserve](#) lets you escape to a literal oasis in the desert with lush, streamside habitat that includes many endangered birds and animals

Mining

In 1863, German Henry Wickenburg came to the area in search of gold. He was rewarded with the discovery of Vulture Mine, where over \$30 million in gold was found. There are still relics around the area that stand as a tribute to these early adventurers as well as a walking tour around Vulture Mine.

Ranchers & Farmers

Like the Indians before them, Ranchers and farmers discovered the fertile flood plain of the Hassayampa River and settled in the area. Together with Henry Wickenburg and the miners, they helped found the young community of Wickenburg in 1863. The Town of Wickenburg was incorporated in 1909. The cowboy culture continues to this day with Wickenburg being described as the "West's Most Western Town". Sorry Scottsdale!! Wickenburg also claims title to the "Team Roping Capital of the World". Who knew?

Rough Start

It was a rough start for the town with Indian wars, mine closures, desperados, drought and a disastrous flood in 1890 when the Walnut Creek Dam burst. Despite these trials and tribulations the town continued to grow. In 1895 the railroad arrived in town. The historic depot still stands today.

COME RALLY WITH US



Only 15 slots are available for this rally at the Desert Cypress RV Park. They have just opened a new rally site with large pull throughs, concrete slabs and up-to-date connections.



We will be touring some of the local attractions and also allowing time for your a la carte activities. The town will be hosting their first Literary Festival April 1st -3rd which will include a variety of activities for young and old including entertainment, food trucks and more. You will be able to enjoy the scheduled events while exploring "Old Town Wickenburg". Please complete the rally reservation form attached to the newsletter.

We are planning some great tours including, the Desert Caballeros WESTERN MUSEUM (one of the best in the West), Hassayampa River Preserve (The Nature Conservancy), Literary Festival (books, books and more books), Vulture Mine, Ghost Town, and a surprise visitor.

Only \$244 for 2 people and you will enjoy 3 nights of camping, 3 breakfasts, 2 Evening Dinners, 2 Tours (Western museum, Nature Conservancy) and some surprises. Get your \$50 deposit in by February 2, 2016 to reserve your spot. See our registration form later in this newsletter.

From the Ancients to the Stars
Rail-Side Rv Ranch & Cabin Resort
 Williams, Arizona
 April 28 - 1 May 2016

What do you know about Northern Arizona other than they get the winter snows and we don't???? Do you know the town of Williams is named for Bob Williams a skinny, redheaded mountain man rumored to have had nine lives and who set the standard for alcohol consumption all across the southwest; why the town chose to hold up construction of I-40; that the original Rte-66 is still the 'main street' of Williams; that the 'Red Garter Bordello' is still in business, although of another kind? Do you know about Bearizona, a preserve for wild animals native to the North American continent (big time photo op)? How about the solar system as viewed from the Lowell Observatory or the singing wait staff at Black Bart's?



There's much to see and do in the Williams/Flagstaff area so come join us for our last weekend rally on the 2015-2016 schedule. We can promise you a great time with good food and great company - after all, you'll be with the Tucson Drifters!!!

Thursday - 28 April 2016
 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. - Arrival time window.
 5:00 p.m. - Get together time in Community Room (BYOB)

6:00 p.m. - Dinner (provided by hosts); Cookie contest entries provided by attendees (more on this provided at a later date.)

Friday - 29 April 2016
 Breakfast on own
 9:00 - Depart for Flagstaff
 10:00 a.m. Presentation and Tour of Lowell Observatory

Lunch on your own
 2:00 p.m. - Visit to Museum of Northern Arizona
 5:00 p.m. - Dinner at Black Bart's (cost not included in rally fees)

Saturday - 30 April 2016
 8:30 a.m. - Breakfast (catered by RV park) (BYOPS)???
 9:45 a.m. - Depart for tour of Bearizona

Lunch on own with time to explore Rte 66, the main street of Williams
 3:30 p.m. - Get together at South Rims Garage (mingle with friends and a lovingly restored 1967 Pontiac GTO)
 7:00 p.m. - Dinner (Catered by RV Park) (BYOPS)???
 8:00 p.m. - After Dinner coffee and Liqueurs (courtesy of your hosts)


 Sunday - 1 May 2016
 8:30 - 9:30 a.m. - Continental Breakfast (BYOB)

**WALTZING THRU TENNESSEE
 WITH A TWO-STEP TO ATLANTA
 TOUR - Tucson Drifter Style**

May 26 - June 17, 2016

Enjoy the glamour and glitz of 5 major stops on our tour of Tennessee and Atlanta. You will:

- Live the history of the biggest names in music; take in Loretta Lynn's Ranch, billed as the 7th largest attraction in Tennessee;
- Experience the Grand Old Opry;
- Visit US President Andrew Jackson's 1880's home in Hermitage ;



- Embark on a Whiskey Trail Tour with a stop at the famous Ms. Mary Bobo's 1860s boarding house and Restaurant for lunch;
- Visit Tennessee and Georgia State Capitols and Jimmy Carter's Presidential Museum; and
- View antebellum homes and Civil War battlegrounds.

The beautiful landscapes and all the excitement of Tennessee's colorful history as one of America's early Frontiers is in store for you. Hospitality came to Tennessee with the early pioneers and remains part of its character today. YOU WILL BE PART OF THAT AMERICAN HISTORY!

TUCSON DRIFTER APPAREL

For all who have been waiting to buy a Tucson Drifters shirt in a size that fits, you'll be glad to hear that we now have an arrangement with Aztec Embroidery and Screen-printing here in Tucson that allows you to order a shirt in men's and women's sizes and styles directly from the vendor. Prices are generally in the \$15 - \$25 range including the logo. The official club color is Teal Green. So if you have an old shirt that is worn out or out grown or if you have never had a shirt, now is the time to get one.

Directions to order a Tucson Drifters shirt from the Aztec Embroidery and Screen-printing website:

1. Go to www.aztecworldwide.com;
2. Select "view catalog 1";
3. Click on "1-2-3 search";
4. Enter "Teal Green" in the #2 "color" block. Leave blocks 1. and 3. in the "all" option. This will give you a search result of all shirts at all prices that are available in the Drifter's official color.
5. Select a polo style shirt.
6. Click on "add decorated item to inquiries";
7. Enter the number of shirts desired in the Teal Green row at the desired shirt size and click on "update cart"
8. Click on "Submit inquiry";
9. Complete the required sections of the order form. In the "imprint info" block enter "Tucson Drifters";
10. Hit "Send".

You will be contacted by email to confirm the order. Some of the shirt styles may not have pricing info available on the website. In that case or if you experience any other problems contact Justin Armenta at Aztec by email

(preferred) or phone at: Justin@aztecww.com, 520-884-1120.

The logo on the shirt will be the same as on existing shirts.

2016 CLUB OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

President	Rick Rolland
Vice President	Linda Salfen
Vice President of Planning	Ruth Roubal
Asst. Vice President of Planning	Lori Miller
Secretary	Marv Bass
Treasurer	Steve Miller
Asst. Treasurer	Jeff Salfen
National Director	Bernie Kuehn
Alt. National Director	Jeff Salfen

Board of Directors

John Fearnow	Lois Wiley
Suzi Bass	Tom Roubal
Jean Fearnow	Ken Hall

Larry Coplin ran across this item of note: 

When a man attempted to siphon gasoline from a motor home parked on a Seattle street by sucking on a hose, he got much more than he bargained for... Police arrived at the scene to find a very sick man curled up next to a motor home near spilled sewage. A police spokesman said that the man admitted to trying to steal gasoline, but he plugged his siphon hose into the motor home's sewage tank by mistake. The owner of the vehicle declined to press charges saying that it was the best laugh he'd ever had.



Tucson Drifters Events Calendar

2015-2016 - *A Work in Progress*

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October 2015		November 2015		December 2015		January 2016	
Title:	GOIN' WILD	Title:	SHAKE, RATTLE, & ROLL	Title:	CHRISTMAS DELIGHT	Title:	NO RALLY
Date:	Oct 22-25	Date:	Nov 15-19	Date:	Nov 30 - Dec 2	Date:	
Place:	Camp Verde, AZ (200 miles)	Place:	Mesa Spirit RV Resort (100 miles)	Place:	Sabbar Shrine Center	Place:	
Host:	Coplin/ Miller	Host:	Roubal/Dye	Host:	Roubal/Rolland/Coplin	Host:	
February 2016		March 2016		April 2016		May 2016	
Title:	SANTA CRUZ VALLEY ARTS & HISTORY	Title:	WAY OUT WEST	Title:	FROM THE ANCIENTS TO THE STARS	Title:	WALTZING THRU TENNESSEE WITH A 2-STEP TO ATLANTA
Date:	Feb 11-14	Date:	Mar 31 - Apr 3	Date:	Apr 28 - May 1	Date:	May 26-Jun 17
Place:	Green Valley, AZ (30 miles)	Place:	Wickenburg, AZ (160 miles)	Place:	Williams, AZ	Place:	Tennessee & Georgia
Host:	Kuehn/Hall	Host:	Smith, Kuznicki, Baumann, Nester, & Newton	Host:	Bass/Salfen	Host:	Roubal/Miller/Coplin

Visit our website with our own club name as the URL: www.TucsonDrifters.org

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February 11-14, 2016

GREEN VALLEY RV RESORT

19001 S. Richfield Ave. Green Valley, AZ 85614

Discover some of the Santa Cruz Valley's History.

Enjoy the famous annual Tubac "Festivals of the Arts"

Trips to Tumacacori NP, the world famous "Wisdom's Café", the recent opened historic "Canoa Ranch" and much more!

Name(s) _____ Coach Length _____

Home Phone _____ Cell _____ Cell _____

Email(s) _____

Rally Fee () One Person \$110
() Two persons \$130
TOTAL \$ _____

\$50 DEPOSIT (non-refundable) to be paid by **11/30/15** - \$ 50

BALANCE DUE 12/31/2015 \$ _____

Make checks payable to Tucson Drifters.

Mail to: Gayle Fisher, 7240 N. Cathedral Rock Rd., Tucson, AZ 85718

Hosts: Bernie & Kendra Kuehn 520-399-9510

Ken & Joann Hall 203-7961

NOTE: Green Valley RV Resort will only allocate 15 spaces for this rally. Five sites will be in the PETS parking area, if you have a pet, sites will be on a first come basis. Sites will be held for Tucson Drifters until Jan 1, 2016.

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DESERT CYPRESS RV RESORT

610 JACK BURDEN RD., WICKENBURG, AZ 85390



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Enjoy 3 nights of camping, 3 breakfasts, 2 Evening Dinners, 2 Tours(Western museum, Nature Conservancy) and some surprises.

Name(s): _____ Coach Length _____

Phones: _____

Email(s): _____

Rally Fee - 2 persons \$ 244.00
Extra person 77.00

TOTAL \$ _____

\$50 DEPOSIT (non-refundable) to be paid by 2/2/16 - \$50.00

BALANCE DUE 3/1/16 \$ _____

Make checks payable to Tucson Drifters.

Mail to: Gayle Fisher, 7240 N. Cathedral Rock Rd., Tucson, AZ 85718

Hosts: Ron & Irene Kuznicki; Geoff & Marita Newton; Bill Baumann & Nancy Nester
Clint & Carol Smith

NOTE: the RV resort will only allocate 15 spaces for this rally.

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Our unbeatable pricing includes camping fees for all nights, tickets and admissions to all scheduled events and meals as scheduled. You absolutely won't find a comparable deal anywhere! While we always say "It's not where you go, but who you go with", this trip combines great destinations with a great group of fellow RVers.

Name:					
Phone:		Cell:		Email:	
Motorhome:		Length:		No. Slides:	
Guest Name(s):					
Pets:					
Basic Rally Cost:	[]	2 Person	\$ 1695.00		
Initial Deposit – DUE by 11-25-15		\$75 per person	\$	PAID	
December 1 -Make Corps of Engineers Campground Reservation		\$96		Golden Age Pass Needed for rate	
Partial Payments Due:		Amount DUE			
February 20, 2016		\$500			
March 20, 2016		\$500			
April 20, 2016		\$449			
		Balance Due:	\$		
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Rally Hosts:	Tom And Ruth Roubal, Steve And Lori Miller, and Larry and Laraine Coplin.				
Make checks payable to:	Tucson Drifters				
Mail To:	Gayle Fisher, 7240 N. Cathedral Rock Rd., Tucson, AZ 85718				

TUCSON DRIFTERS MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Annual Dues: \$20.00 (Payable January of each year)

FMCA F#: _____

Member Name(s): _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Additional Cell Phone: _____ (Please note who the cell #'s belong to)

E-Mails: _____

Rig(year/make/length): _____

Make check payable to Tucson Drifters and Mail to:

Steve Miller, 9871 E. Kleindale Rd., Tucson, AZ 85749