



November 2016

TUCSON DRIFTERS NEWSLETTER

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



Tom Roubal, Editor

CARING AND SHARING



Marita	Newton	11/11
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Susanne	Phillips	11/11
Gayle	Fisher	11/13
Georgia	Hinshaw	11/21
John	Wonder	11/26
Donna	Rogers	11/30



Happy Anniversary



Dale & Jennie	Christensen	11/26
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NOVEMBER DINNER MEETING

Tuesday, Nov 1, 2016

Dinners include chips and salsa during Happy Hour, and drinks may be purchased at the adjoining bar.

Please make your reservations and advise which dinner you prefer no later than noon 27 October. Cancellations must be made by Sunday 30 October by phone call only, 520-219-2896.

Meeting: Tuesday, 1 November; 5:30 Social Hour; 6:15 Dinner

Thanksgiving Dinner

Pick One: Roasted Turkey/Gravy, Sweet Potatoes/Candied, Green Beans, Salad, Rolls/Butter, Pumpkin Pie/Whipped Cream
OR
 Grilled Chicken Salad, HB Eggs/Avocado/Dressing, Cup of Soup, Dessert

Cost: \$17.00 (inclusive) each. Checks please. It is difficult to make change for this uneven amount!!!

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

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

We look forward to seeing you there. . . .



President's Corner:



I hope all of you enjoyed your RV travels this summer.

The Catalina State Park Rally on Oct. 20 will give those of you that signed up the chance to test drive your coach to make sure everything is working. Best to find out close to home.

I encourage all of you to consider signing up for the HOLLY JOLLY CHRISTMAS - PRESCOTT RALLY December 1 - 4, 2016 Orchard Ranch Resort 11250 E. State Route 69 Dewey Az. Rally is limited to the first 15 registrations and 9 coaches have signed up so far. Additional registrations above 15 will be placed on stand-by.

Good Sam and FMCA have large rallies planned for next year that I hope all of you will consider attending. We will all park together to enjoy the events. The Good Sam Rally is at the Phoenix Raceway from February 23-26. The FMCA Rally at Wild Horse in Phoenix is March 7-10. Dry camping RV parking is either March 5 or 6th. Electric parking is March 6th.

Other rallies to San Diego, Rocky Point, and New Mexico have been planned (See the newsletter for details and signup info.)

The nominating committee will present the officer and director list for approval at the next Dinner Meeting in November, and will take effect in January. (I thank Linda Salfen as President and Suzi Bass as V.P. for volunteering). I will continue as Web master of the Drifters website.

Join the Activities Committee before the next Dinner Meeting to help complete the agenda for the upcoming RV season. I encourage all of you to also be on the lookout for additional new potential members. Give them one of the new brochures and refer them to the Drifters website. It has lots of information about the club and access to the newsletters. www.tucsondrifters.org

The FMCA membership renewal dues are now \$50 per year. I hope you renewed by October 1, 2016, to get the \$40 current renewal rate.

Check out the website for the latest rally pictures and updated brochure as well as the calendar of events and helpful links to other RV related websites. Also, check the website to make sure we have the correct coach info listed for you. If not, send an e-mail to our treasurer so we can update the membership listing.

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 or website for more details.

I always welcome your comments and suggestions.

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

Rick



ACTIVITIES MEETING MINUTES

October 4, 2016

Attendees: Steve & Lori Miller, Larry & Laraine Coplin, Rick & Judy Rolland, Suzi & Marv Bass, John & Jean Fearnow, Larry & Martha Castriotta, Fred & Cindy Brooks, Bill Baumann & Nancy Nester, Ken & JoAnn Hall, Ted & Diana Scheafer

The Activities Meeting was held at the Sabbar Shrine Center and was called to order by Lori Miller on Oct 4, 2016 at 4:06 p.m.

OLD BUSINESS

May 26 - June 17, 2016 - Waltzing Thru Tennessee with a Two-Step to Atlanta -Roubal, Miller, Copin - Rally was awesome and a video presentation will be done during the meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

The following is the schedule for the 2016/2017 season:

October 20-23, 2016 - Oro Valley Rally - Catalina State Park - Dernison and Fearnow - There is still two spots available. If they are not filled they can be cancelled up to two days in advance. It was mentioned that there is also a Western National State Park Store there.

December 1 - 4 2016 - Prescott - Holly Jolly Christmas - Millers, Salfen, and Roubal - We will be staying at the Orchard RV Ranch. Since the Orchard no longer supports rallies each couple will have to make their own reservation. Activities will include: Christmas light show in Fain Park, Sharlot Hall Museum, Elk Theatre Tour, The Christmas Mood (musical), and Christmas tree lighting in the Court House Square. Evening Dinners are included in the cost of the rally.

January 2017 - No Rally

February 13 - 17, 2017 - San Diego by the Sea - San Diego, CA - Only two spots where still available. Rally attendees can go in one day early and stay one day after the rally and still get rally rate of \$53.60.

March 2017 FMCA National Rally - Rolland and Brooks - March 7 - 10, 2017. Wildhorse Pass south of Phoenix. We

will arrive on the March 6 and depart on March 11, 2017. Rick will be gathering info on who has registered and organize with FMCA so we can go in as a group. There will be hamburgers and hot dogs on the first night. Registration should be done by January 5, 2017.

April 2017 - Rocky Point - Castriotta, Rolland, Baumann/Nester,

This rally is still in the works. Looking at late April

May 14th - 26, 2017 - Zig and a little Zag thru New Mexico - Miller, Coplin, and Salfen -Elephant Butte, next Albuquerque, Santa Fe. Activities include White Sand Missile Range, White Sand National Park, Spaceport America, City Tours, a Cathedral, a private magic show, museums, the capital building, and free time. The Rally hosts will be visiting Las Cruces after the November meeting. Max 15 coaches.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:36 p.m.

HOLLY JOLLY CHRISTMAS PRESCOTT RALLY

December 1-4, 2016

Come join us, the Miller's, Salfen's and the Roubal's for the Christmas Rally in Prescott, Az. Dec. 1-4th. These will be some of the activities: driving through the Christmas Light Show in Fain Park, Prescott Valley; visiting the Sharlot Hall Museum; tour the Elk Theatre prior to seeing The Christmas Mood (musical); visit the Fort Whipple VA Hospital & Museum; the Gingerbread House display at the Casino and last but not least watch the Christmas tree lighting in the Court House Square of Prescott.

Breakfast and lunch will be on your own. Dinner meals will be eaten out because we will not have a meeting room to gather in. These will be included in the registration for the rally. Reservation at the Orchard RV Resort will have to be made on your own and is NOT included in your rally fees.



SAN DIEGO BY-THE-SEA

February 13-17, 2017
Chula Vista RV Resort
460 Sandpiper Way
Chula Vista, California

SOLD OUT

San Diego has proven to be a popular destination for the Drifters. The rally was sold out by the first dinner meeting.

If you missed out on getting registered, you may want to consider having your name added to the "stand-by" list. This means, if there was a cancellation, I would call people on the list to see if they still have an interest in attending. Calls would be made in the order the emails were received.

So, if you wish to be put on the list - send me an email. Do not mail the registration form or deposit check unless you are called.

Currently the following members are scheduled to attend this rally: Coplin, Bass, Baumann, Brooks, Chandler, Fearnow, Fling, Hansen, Johnson, Jones, Kuehn, Kuznicki, Miller, Rolland, Roubal, Salfen, & Wood.

Currently on stand-by: Christensen

A detailed itinerary / information sheet for this rally will be sent out in January.

This will be a great rally at a great destination!

Host: Laraine & Larry Coplin
larainecoplin@mac.com
Cell: 480-772-3974

Zig and a Little Zag thru **NEW MEXICO**

May 14 - 25, 2017

We start our 12-day journey in Las Cruces at the Hacienda RV Resort. We will be visiting the White Sands National Monument...famous for its 275 square miles of the seemingly stark, brilliant white gypsum sand. Next stop... the White

Sands Missile Range Museum where you can trace the origin of America's missile and space activity.

The adventure continues as we zig north and slightly west to Cedar Cove RV Park in Elephant Butte. Our space activities will resume when we visit Space Port America. You'll feel like an astronaut, if you choose to enter the G-Shock simulator or venture into the Spaceport Operations Center where you will interact with Spaceport America crew members. We will also see a state-of-the-art fire station.

Now we are ready to continue the journey. We will go north and slightly east to find the American RV Park in Albuquerque. For our first night in town, the hosts have scheduled a pizza party in the resort's clubhouse. The next morning we board a trolley for a tour of Old Town and the surrounding neighborhoods. Over the next few days we will be going to The Albuquerque Museum of Art & History and the New Mexico Museum of Natural History and Science. Another morning finds us at the Turquoise Museum. Here we will learn about the processing of a turquoise stone from digging in a mine to sitting on the shelf of the jewelry store. An evening of magic and entertainment will start when we enter Max's Magic Theatre for a private show that will leave us all wondering if we need to schedule an eye exam...or...is it really magic?

We begin the zag portion of our journey as we relocate to the Santa Fe Skies Resort in beautiful Santa Fe. Our tour of Santa Fe starts at the New Mexico State Capital Building. A trolley will carry us through the city and beyond before returning to the Cathedral Basilica of St. Francis of Assisi. The afternoon has been left open for you to do more site seeing, shopping or a little relaxation. The final adventure as a group will be a visit to the Los Alamos Bradbury Science Museum, where you will learn how the atomic bomb was developed. The last day is free for you to explore Santa Fe and/or surrounding areas. Just be back in time for the Farewell Dinner.

The fee for this rally is \$900. The cost includes all 50-amp full hook-up RV spaces, admission to all venues, four host provided meals, two dinners out, and one lunch.

Rally limited to the first 15 registrations - so get your reservation in now.

Hosts: Lori & Steve Miller 520-749-6092
Laraine & Larry Coplin
Linda & Jeff Salfen





Tucson Drifters Events Calendar

2015-2016 - *A Work in Progress*

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October 2016		November 2016		December 2015		January 2017	
Title:	Oro Valley Rally	Title:	NO RALLY	Title:	Holly Jolly Celebration	Title:	NO RALLY
Date:	Oct 20-23	Date:		Date:	Dec 1-4	Date:	
Place:	Catalina State Park	Place:		Place:	Prescott	Place:	
Host:	Dernison & Fearnow	Host:		Host:	Miller, Salfen, & Roubal	Host:	
February 2017		March 2017		April 2017		May 2017	
Title:	San Diego By the Sea	Title:	FMCA National Rally	Title:	Rocky Point Rendezvous	Title:	Zig and a Little Zag Thru New Mexico
Date:	Feb 13-17	Date:	Mar 31 - Apr 3	Date:	TBD	Date:	May 14-26
Place:	San Diego, CA	Place:	Wild Horse Pass, Phoenix (100 miles)	Place:		Place:	New Mexico
Host:	Coplin	Host:	Rolland/Brooks	Host:	Castriotta/Rolland	Host:	Miller/Coplin/Salfen

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

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HOLLY JOLLY CHRISTMAS

PRESCOTT RALLY

December 1 – 4, 2016

REGISTRATION FORM

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Name(s) _____ Coach Length _____

Cell Phone(s) _____, _____

Email (s) _____

Emergency Contact _____ Phone _____

DUE TO RV RESORTS NOT SUPPORTING RALLIES, EACH PARTICIPANT WILL HAVE TO MAKE THEIR OWN RESERVATIONS. THE FOLLOWING IS THE CONTACT INFORMATION. (\$31.50/NIGHT WITH GOOD SAM DISCOUNT).

ORCHARD RANCH RESORT

11250 E. State Route 69 Dewey Az. 86327 (800) 352-6305 or (928) 772-8266

THE RESORT COST IS NOT INCLUDED IN THE RALLY FEES.

Please Make your Reservations by November 1 2016.

Rally Fee: (2-Persons) \$ 256

DEPOSIT (non-refundable) to be paid by **10/15/16**

BALANCE DUE - 11/10/16 \$ 206

Rally limited to the first 15 registrations. Additional registrations will be placed on stand-by. If you have physical / accessibility issues, contact the rally host.

Make checks payable to **Tucson Drifters.**

Mail to: Steve Miller, 9871 E Kleindale Rd, Tucson, AZ 85749

Hosts: Lori & Steve Miller 520-749-6092 Linda & Jeff Salfen, Ruth & Tom Roubal

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Zig and a Little Zag through New Mexico

May 14-26 2017

REGISTRATION FORM

- Come and join the Drifters as we do a Zig and Little Zag thru New Mexico. We have 12 fun filled days planned for you. The rally begins in Las Cruces then moves to Elephant Butte and Albuquerque before spending our final days in Santa Fe. We have a diverse itinerary planned; of course it includes visits to White Sands National Monument, Spaceport America and Los Alamos. There will be city tours, museums, cathedrals, magic theatre and a tour of the Capitol. We will learn and view the process of changing a stone from a Turquoise mine into designer jewelry. The cost includes all 50 amp full hook up RV spaces, admission to all venues, four host provided meals dinners, two dinners out, and one lunch.

Name(s) _____ Coach Length _____

Cell Phone(s) _____

Email (s) _____

Emergency Contact _____ Phone _____

		Amount Paid
Rally Fee: (2-Persons)	\$ 900	_____
<u>\$150 DEPOSIT (non-refundable) to be paid by 12/15/16</u>	\$ 150	_____
<u>SECOND PAYMENT - DUE 2/7/17</u>	\$ 375	_____
<u>BALANCE - DUE 4/4/17</u>	\$ 375	_____

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