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TUCSON DRIFTERS NEWSLETTER

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



Tom Roubal, Editor

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ACTIVITIES MEETING



All are invited to attend an Activities Meeting at **4:30 pm**, prior to our dinner meeting at the Shrine Center of Tucson. Your participation is always most welcomed. Snacks to be served.

Ruth Roubal, VP for Planning
Lori Miller, Asst VP for Planning

DRIFTER'S DINNER MEETING

Dinners include chips/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, Sep 27.

If you do not receive a confirmation reply, we DO NOT have your reservation. Cancellations must be made by 4 pm Saturday, Sep 28, by PHONE CALL ONLY to Jackie Fife at 520-240-6281.

Meeting: **Tuesday, October 1, 2019**
5:30 Social Hour, 6:15 Dinner

Pick either Entrée or Salad

Entrée-

CHICKEN PICCATA
LIGHTLY SAUTEED
BREAST OF CHICKEN
SERVED WITH
ASPARAGUS AND
MASHED POTATOES
GARDEN FRESH SALAD
AND CONDIMENTS
SALAD VEGGIES ON THE
SIDE

Salad Selection

SPRING GREENS/
ROMAINE
GRILLED CHICKEN
BOILED EGG –
AVOCADO
CUCUMBER, TOMATO,
ONION
DRESSING ON THE SIDE
CUP OF SOUP
CHURRO STICK –
CHOCOLATE SAUCE

Cost: **\$18.00 (inclusive) each, CHECKS PLEASE.** It is difficult to make change.

Please remember that if you make a reservation and do not attend the meeting (or phone in cancellation to 520-240-6281 by Sunday before the meeting) you will be responsible for reimbursement to Tucson Drifters for the cost of your meal.

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



President's Corner:



Hello Drifters – Welcome to our three new members who joined this summer-and welcome back to those who have been gone for the summer. And. . . . kudos to those who stayed here in our typical Tucson summer heat and waited patiently for the monsoon that wasn't. It'll be great to have us all together again for another RVing season.

Our first dinner meeting will be on the 1st of October and I'm hoping to see all of you there. We'll be voting on a replacement for our Assistant Treasurer, Jackie Fife. Fred and Jackie moved to the Phoenix area and had to leave the Drifters because of Fred's health – they will be missed.

I'll also have a report from Amy Jones who represented the Drifters at the FMCA meeting in Minot, ND. Both RMMA and FMCA are hosting rallies this season (one in the Fall and one in the Spring) at our own Pima County Fairgrounds which will make it oh-so convenient for the Drifters to participate. Sooooo come have dinner, participate in voting for a new Assistant Treasurer, renew friendships, make new ones, and hear about the rallies planned for the coming season.

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NOMINEES FOR 2020 TUCSON DRIFTERS OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

Following is the proposed slate of Tucson Drifters officers and directors for 2020

OFFICERS

President: Suzi Bass
Vice President: Linda Salfen
Vice President-planning: Ruth Roubal
Assistant VP-Planning: Vera Schlichter
Secretary: Marv Bass
Treasurer: Ted Schaefer
Asst. Treasurer: Jackie Fife
National Director: Bill Hohmann
Asst. National Director: Amy Jones

DIRECTORS

Apparel/Signs: John Fearnow
Newsletter: Tom Roubal
Web Master: Rick Rolland
At Large: Jeff Salfen
At Large: Jean Fearnow (Caring & Sharing)
At Large: Bernie Keuhn
Membership: Linda Salfen

Chapter members will vote on this proposed slate at the November dinner meeting. There will also be the opportunity to take nominations from the floor at the meeting. The voted and approved officers will assume their duties on 1 January 2020.

Jeff Salfen – Nominating Committee Chair



WELCOME BACK TUCSON DRIFTERS

"August rain, the best of the summer gone and the new fall in the horizon". " When fall comes it stays awhile like an old friend that you have missed. It settles in a way an old friend would settle into your favorite chair and fill the afternoon with stories of places he has been and things he has done since last he saw you."

We know some of you have done a lot of traveling this summer, some of you have had medical issues to deal with and some have stayed in the OLD PUEBLO. So, **LET'S START A NEW SEASON WITH A LOT OF FRIENDSHIP, NEW ADVENTURES, AND NEW BEGINNINGS.** Remember, we cannot look back as we are not going that way but the fun times with the Tucson Drifters are ahead and we are just beginning our 20-year anniversary year celebration and rallies for 2019 and 2020.

First Activity will be your activities meeting on October 1st at 4:30 PM. We encourage all members to attend in the planning for all upcoming events in this club. Remember this is your club and it is only as good as we all make it.

Dinner meeting & Happy Hour starting @ 5:30 PM on October 1st. We will have a busy meeting as it will be the start of our new season. Learn updates of all rallies, showing of the Colorado rally movie and more.

OCTOBER 1st rally of the season at the Tucson Fairgrounds for the RMMA. Many events have been planned and for those that are going you will have a great time. Remember, our club will be putting on the Pre-Tours for the RMMA. We will also be having our anniversary party on October 18, 2019 at 4:30 PM. We will have good food, entertainment, a great door price for members only (two matching recliners that have been donate to our club in celebration of our big event and valued at \$160.00). You must secure your raffle ticket at the chapter fair on Friday starting at 12:30 PM. All chapter members not attending the rally but coming to the Dinner party will be eligible as well. Let's show our Tucson Drifters Pride in the wearing of apparel or colors

of copper and turquoise. A lot of planning has gone into preparing for these events, so make sure you help out as well. Many of us will be going in on Sunday 13th for preparation of the two signature tours that our club has been ask to do. The 1st tour is **TOMBSTONE " THE TOWN TO TOUGH TO DIE" AND 2ND TOUR IS SAN XAVIER/DESERT MUSEUM.** Many of you know your part in the delivery of these tours but at the activities meeting this will be discussed further. Please remember that on **Sunday** Oct. 13th we will be having a tours meeting at 3:00 PM, followed with a **BBQ, hosted** by Roubal's at their coach (camp central). **Monday** evening after vans have been picked up, we will have a **Pizza party.** **Tuesday** night we will have a group **Pot luck** and please bring a dish to share. **Wednesday** evening which is the conclusion of our tour duties we will have a **Margarita party** following by a **Hot dog bash by RMMA** at the new coach area. **Thursday** will be **heavy Hors d'oeuvre's** and your choice of what to make. **Friday** is the **Anniversary party** and all food is provided. Any ideas for **Saturday and Sunday** night for dinner?

NOVEMBER RALLY AT ROCKY POINT, AKA AS PUERTO PENASCO NOVEMBER 19TH TO 22ND. Some of us will be going in a little early so please check with rally host if interested in a caravan. We will be staying at **Playa De Oro** which is a beach front RV Park. You will need to make a \$30.00 reservation fee by calling Gary at 602-476-2242. This is a **rendezvous rally** with all cost being paid by you at time of services. They have secured dinner reservations for us each night and other events if you choose to go. Rocky Point has always been a favorite destination of many in our club. The **Margarita's** are so good!!! You will need Mexican Liability Insurance and rally host will give you good advice as to where to buy.

DECEMBER 28TH TO 2ND OF JANUARY NEW YEARS RALLY. "VIVA LAS VEGAS" A BLAST FROM THE PAST!

Righteous Brothers in concert, followed by dinner, the Doo Wop group "The Alley Cats in concert with party favors, balloon drop and champagne toast, Mob museum with Roaring 20's pizza party, extravaganza



New Year's Eve Buffet Dinner, New Year's eve desert and Champagne and New Year's day dinner. This rally is for **5 nights** at the beautiful and award-winning **Oasis RV Resort**. **We are just about sold out and further Drifters will be welcome on available of tickets.**

FEBRUARY VALENTINE RALLY CELEBRATION 13TH TO 16TH. This is a rally that will feature a lovely **dinner/dance** for you and your sweetheart. The rally is still a work in progress but to secure your seat at the table, a reservation is requested at \$75.00 per couple. I know that the weekend will be full of fun and exciting things to do. The rally will be in **Benson, Az.** at the beautiful **Butterfield RV Resort**. They can only take the first **17 coaches that sign up**, so do not lose out your opportunity for a **romantic weekend**.

MARCH 26TH TO 29TH , FMCA INTERNATIONAL RALLY AT THE PIMA COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS IN TUCSON, AZ.

The registration form for this HUGE rally will be out in the next issue of Family RVing. Should you want to volunteer you will do so on your own. Our club has no ties at this time for working as a group.

APRIL 30TH TO MAY 25TH, MIGHTY MISSISSIPPI RIVER SPRING FOLIAGE RALLY. 26 DAYS, 9 LOCATION - ALL RV PARKS WITH FULL AMENITIES WITH THE EXCEPTION OF TOAD SUCK THAT JUST HAS ELECTRIC AND WATER , 44 EVENTS, 13 MEALS.

View itinerary in this newsletter. **Unbelievable price of \$1999.00 /1st payment of \$600 due October 1st.**

This is our club schedule for the many and varied venues. Please be sure to check them all out.

See you in October,

Vice President of Planning/Ruth Roubal

Assistant Vice President of Planning/Laurie Miller



ROCKY POINT RENDEZVOUS/ RALLY

Nov 19-22, 2019



Hosts: Bernie & Kendra Kuehn and Nancy Nester & Bill Baumann

LOCATION: Playa De Oro RV Park, P.O. Box 583,
Lukeville, AZ 85341, POC: Gary (602) 476-2242

EVENTS:

Tuesday, Nov 19. Arrive by 4:00 PM

5:00 PM Happy Hour at the Kuehn's MH, Margaritas,
Snacks and Music provided.

6:00 PM Dinner @ The Point located in the Malecon

Wednesday, Nov 20

9:30 AM Breakfast @ Rosy's On your own (shopping &
sightseeing. suggestions will be provided)

5:30 PM Drinks and Dinner @ El Capitan Restaurant,
Great View of Town, Ocean and Sunset

Thursday, Nov 21

On your own, suggestions will be provided

5:00 PM Drinks @ "Wreck On The Reef"

6:00 PM Dinner @ "Mare Blu Restaurant" Upscale
restaurant, good food & great view

Friday, Nov 22- Depart by 11 AM, Safe Travels

9:00 AM @ Kuehn's MH, Donuts, Juice, Bring your
own Beverage

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

All Expenses are own your own!

You will need Mexican Liability Insurance

RV park reservations will be on your own by calling
Gary @ 602-476-2242, He will require a \$30 check
deposit mailed to P.O. Box 583, Lukeville, AZ 85341
RV Park rates are \$22 per night with full hook-ups. 30
AMP service. 50 AMP service is available at some sites,
extra costs.

All water front sites are already reserved but the rows
behind the water front sites have easy access the
beach, which offers great views of the ocean and
sunsets.

I have reserved some spaces at the park for the
Rendezvous but will have to release them by Oct 19,
2019.

Please email Bernie or Nancy when you do make a
reservation so we will know who is coming.

Bernie's email bkuehn@msn.com

Nancy's email nnnester@gmail.com





TUCSON DRIFTERS

"VIVA LAS VEGAS" NEW YEARS RALLY A BLAST FROM THE PAST!!! 12/28/2019 TO 01/02/2020



The Righteous Brothers concert experience features a string of the biggest #1 hits, including You've Lost that Loving' Feelin' (the most played song in radio history). Soul and inspiration Unchained Melody, Rock and Roll Heaven, Medley's Grammy-winning Dirty Dancing theme The Time of my Life, and much, much, more!

ITINERARY TO BRING IN 2020 WITH A BLAST FROM THE PAST

December 28, 2019 - Saturday- Arrive at the 1st class **Oasis RV Resort** around 12:00 AM- Nice pull thru spots and large enough for our biggest coaches. 2711 W. Windfall Lane, Las Vegas, Nevada. Just down the street from the Mandalay Bay Resort. Please check-in at the office when arriving for site and space number.

GET READY TO PARTY!!!

4:00 PM - Leave for **Harrah's Resort** across from Caesar's Palace for a night of evening bliss to the Righteous Brothers concert.

8:00 PM - Following the concert we will be treated to dinner at a local establishment.

December 29, 2019 - Sunday - A day to unwind and a chance to see the breathtaking and brilliant **Conservatory and Botanical Gardens Christmas display at the Bellagio** and take in their unbelievable spectacular water show (designed to mesmerize). Water shows on the 1/2 hr. after 12:00 PM on current schedule.

5:30 PM - We will have a **potluck dinner** in the club house. Bring whatever, as it will be a TRUE potluck.

REMEMBER THE UNTOUCHABLES???

December 30, 2019 - Monday - 2:00 PM - **The Mob Museum** - 300 Stewart Ave., Near downtown Las Vegas close to the downtown casino's. Take the basement stairs back in time and immerse yourself in the Underground. Wind your way through an enticing prohibition era world. Surrounded by stories, images and artifacts from 1920's, experience Prohibition - era cocktails in their speakeasy and tour their on-site distillery for a taste of the past. See the **new speakeasy** and travel back in time to the era when tens of thousands of speakeasies operated in hard to find places. See the artifacts tell the stories of the Roaring Twenties, which saw the rise of flappers, jazz and the Mob.

Prize for the best flapper/mob couple that decide to have a little fun with costumes.

6:30 PM - **Roaring 20's Pizza party** in club house. **Fun poker** tables with chips for playing. This will be our underworld night speakeasy. Prize for best couple outfit given this evening (maybe some whiskey moon shine). We will have 20's music and let's see who can do the best **Charleston dance**. The person ending with the most chips of the evening will win a prize.

LET'S BRING IN THE NEW YEAR

Tuesday - December 31, 2020 - 12:30 P.M doors open for 1:00 to 2:30 PM show. Our festivities start at **South Point Casino** with New Year's with the **ALLEY CATS**. The alley cats are a group with signature songs of doo wop hits. Our tickets will include party favors, balloon drop and a champagne toast. We will have an opportunity to enjoy



the 50's iconic music and signature songs such as "Don't be Cruel, "Come Go with Me and Goodnight Sweetheart.

APPX. around 4:00 PM we will be treated to a wonderful and delicious dinner at the **South Point Garden Buffet** with so much food and drinks, we will have to make it a happening. Appx.5:30 PM, we suggest that you either have fun in the casino or join **Wes Winters**. Wes Winters will take over the Grandview Lounge and have guests jiving into the new year. He will treat you to a night of smooth lounge style jazz.

Appx. around 9:00 PM we will return to the Oasis RV Park to the **Roubal's coach or club house** for a **New year's special Desert and Champagne** for a 10:00 PM celebration to bring in our New Year's 2020 celebration. For those that want to continue to midnight for the major city fireworks, we will have French Vanilla or Mocha Coffee followed by more Champagne at midnight.

Due to the traffic in Las Vegas and street closure of the Las Vegas strip, we have opted for this day's celebration to keep us safe and still have a lot of fun.

NEW YEAR'S EVE DESERT AND CHAMPAGNE AND NEW YEAR'S DAY DINNER.

Deposits are due on 08/15/2019 \$100.00

Final payment 11/05/2019 \$445.00

Rally Fee: Total **\$545.00**

Rally Host: Tom and Ruth Roubal, Jim and Barbara Schultz, and Bernie and Kendra Kuehn

ITINERARY SUBJECT TO CHANGES AS NECESSARY

RALLY LIMITED TO FIRST 12 COACHES/AFTER THAT ONLY ON AVAILABILITY FOR TICKETS TO SHOWS (SHOW TICKETS IN HIGH DEMAND FOR NEW YEARS)



January 1, 2020 - A fun day of football and Rose parade followed by an evening **dinner prepared** by your rally host to cap off your wonderful new years' experience.

January 2, 2020 - Prepare to leave for home no later than 11:00 AM

The rally price is \$545.00 per couple. Five nights lodging at the awarding winning **Oasis RV Resort**, The shows **THE RIGHTEOUS BROTHERS CONCERT FOLLOWED BY DINNER, THE DOO WOP GROUP "THE ALLEY CATS", MOD MUSEUM, ROARING 20'S PIZZA PARTY, EXTRAVAGANZA NEW YEARS EVE BUFFET, DINNER,**



MIGHTY MISSISSIPPI RIVER SPRING FOLIAGE RALLY

APRIL 30, 2020 TO MAY 25, 2020

One man does not make a river, but the writer Mark Twain is probably more associated with the Mississippi river, its stories, legends and history, than any other person. Old man river, father of waters, body of a nation, "big muddy - by any name the mighty Mississippi cuts a mythic figure across the American landscape.

One of the Mississippi river legends is that the Pascagoula tribe who seeking an escape from the Europeans, saw a mermaid rise from the river, singing a beautiful song. The entire tribe followed the mermaid's song into the river, drowning - yet, it is said, they sing her praises from the bottom of the river to this day.

Taking a trip down the Mississippi river is known for many things, including blues music, US historical sites, antebellum homes and good old fashion southern cooking. We will explore these many areas as the Tucson Drifters journey to these locations for our trip "Mighty Mississippi River Spring Foliage Rally " April/May 2020.

1. Toad Suck, Arkansas - Rally begins at this location. Corp of engineer park on the banks of the Arkansas river. Lovely park and beautiful location.

Thursday - April 30th - Arrive at Toad Suck - pot luck to share. Rally hosts to provide meat.

Friday - May 1st - free day or venture out to Little Rock (many attractions and close by). Camp BBQ cookout this evening with hamburgers and trimmings.

2. Branson Missouri - 148 miles - Treasure Lake RV Resort - 1 Treasure Lake Dr., Branson, Missouri 656161. A beautiful private club that we will have the privilege to stay at. Amenities are full hook-ups, indoor and outdoor pools, and club house.

Saturday - May 2nd - Driving day with free time to explore on your own.

Sunday - May 3rd - Evening dinner show - Dolly Pardon Stampede.

Monday - May 4th - Optional trip to Lamberts restaurant in the Branson Missouri area - roll tossing - \$19.00 per person.

Evening show for your entertainment (show tbd at later date).

3. Hannibal Missouri - 277 miles - Staying at the Mark Twin Cave Campgrounds, 1 mile south of Hannibal, Hwy. 79 300 Cave Hollow Rd, 573-221-1656- full amenities and this is a lovely campground located in the hollow.

Tuesday - May 5th - Dinner at Mark Twain dinette with very special guests - 400 N. 3rd St. (downtown) Hannibal, 1-573-221- 5300. Selected menus with some choices - 5:00 pm.

Wednesday - May 6 - Mark Twains boyhood home and museum properties (downtown). This self-guided tour allows our group to explore the roots of Mark Twain's genius. The tour includes 7 buildings, most notably the world-famous Mark Twain boyhood home.

Hannibal History Museum at 200 N Main St. This museum will show you the rich history of Hannibal's remarkable past! Photographs, artifacts, and interactive exhibits tell the stories of the first log cabins in 1819, the antebellum years of slavery and steamboats, the coming of the railroads and civil war. Learn the stories of famous Hannibal residents, including Ukulele Ike, known best as the voice of Jiminy Cricket and the Titanic's own "unsinkable" Molly Brown.

Live show of Mark Twain that will return you to the days of Mark Twain' famous stage performances. The actor will bring him to life in this entertaining show with hilarious comedy and heartwarming drama. Mark Twain live at Cave Hollow Theatre, 300 Cave Hollow Road. Located within the Mark Twain cave complex.



4. St Louis Missouri - 116 Miles - Casino Queen Rv Park, 200 South Front Street, East Saint Louis, Il, 62201 - 800-777-0777. Just minutes from downtown St. Louis and a full-service park that has everything you will need. 24 Hour Shuttle to Metro Link Station and Casino.

Thursday - May 7th - St. Louis Fun Tour with a few of their highlights include Laclede's Landing (Historic Entertainment District), St Louis Union Station, and Forest Park (Zoo, Science Center, Museums, Etc.) fully narrated 75-minute tour aboard an authentic, air-conditioned trolley with brass rails, bells and all. Carpool to their location.

Anheuser- Busch Brewery Tour later afternoon tour of the historic brew house. You will observe the entire 7 step brewing process and the world-famous Budweiser Clydesdales at their historic stables built in 1885. These majestic giants have become a symbol for quality and excellence and have appeared in some of the most memorable super bowl commercials over the years, representing an iconic part of Anheuser - Busch history. You will also see some of their brew kettles and feel the cool beechwood aging cellars. Tour is appx. 45 minutes long. 1200 Lynch St. St. Louis MO. Free shuttles up and down Pestalozzi St.

Friday - May 8th- Gateway Arch -Tram ride to the top for exhilarating views of St Louis, the Mississippi river and beyond with up to 30-mile views in all directions. 63 stories high into the Midwest sky celebrates the westward expansion of the United States and the pioneers who made it possible.

Documentary Movie: "Monument to The Dream" a documentary that tells the story of the arch from concept through construction.

We will explore the museum exhibits to browse the interactive exhibits in the museum and discover how the Gateway Arch and St. Louis became the gateway to the west.

Enjoy a relaxing one-hour cruise aboard the St. Louis Riverfront Cruise.

View the Old Courthouse where you will walk the halls where ordinary Americans made civil rights history. Built in 1839 the old courthouse is a prime example of mid - 19th century federal architecture. But it is two landmark cases that secure its place in history. Beginning in 1847, the enslaved Dred Scott twice sued for his and his wife Harriet's freedom. But the US Supreme Court decided against them, ruling that African Americans were not citizens and had no right to sue. In 1873, St Louis suffragette Virginia Minor and her husband filed a civil suit arguing for women's right to vote.

We will be gone the entire day on this outing. We will drive ourselves the short drive to the gateway arch area, so it is important that we carpool and dress according to the weather with a light wrap. We will be exploring the metro for getting to destinations as well.

Saturday - May 9th - Ulysses S Grant national historic site and home. Grant's farm, which includes two of president Ulysses S. Grant's homes: the formal plantation home known as white haven and hardscrabble, the log cabin hand built by grant that is on view. You can explore by tram rides the wildlife preserve and enjoy elephant and bird shows held within a pleasant petting zoo. There's also a collection of antique carriages on display at the Bauernhof and the stables of the world-famous Budweiser Clydesdales. This outing should take appx. 2 to 3 hrs.

Afternoon free for viewing of other attractions.

5. Cape Girardeau, Missouri - 115 miles - Cape Camping and RV Park - 1900 North Kings Highway Street, Cape Girardeau, Missouri - 573-332-8888- full amenities! Discover more than 250 years of history, ranging from Mississippian life to a visit from Lewis & Clark on their journey west to words from Mark Twain.

Sunday - May 10th - Upon arriving at our RV park we will journey appx. 20 minutes to the Trail Of Tears Museum



at the Trail Of Tears State Park. 429 Moccasin Springs Rd., Jackson Missouri 63755 (around 1:00 pm). We will gain a better understanding of one of the saddest chapters in American history where nine of the 13 Cherokee Indian groups being relocated to Oklahoma crossed the Mississippi river during the harsh winter of 1938 & 1939.

The park's visitor center museum tells the tale of the thousands who died on the forced march, as well as the park's many natural features.

We will then go downtown Cape Girardeau and stroll along the riverfront and take in the Mississippi river tales' mural that tells the story of Cape Girardeau's history via storyboards in front of each panel of this colorful mural. Address is Water St. Between Broadway and Independence, Cape Girardeau.

Trolley free in city!!!

Later afternoon to see Crisp Museum's collections of native American pottery an art gallery and exhibits detailing life along the Mississippi river over the years. 518 S Fountain St., Cape Girardeau. (free) 573-651-2260

If you have time you might on your own go to the Bollinger Mill state historic site which is home to a civil war era four-story mill. Walk across the covered bridge (one of only four remaining in the state) stretching over the Whitewater river and tour the bottom floor museum of the mill for (free).

You may want to experience the civil war in Cape Girardeau at Fort D, an earthen works fort that defended Cape Girardeau from confederate forces. Follow the civil war driving tour (download it at visitcape.com/backintime) and get a feel for the divided community Cape Girardeau was during the civil war. 920 Fort St., Cape Girardeau (free)/contact:573-335-1631.

Evening free/dinner on own or we could all eat in downtown Cape Girardeau together.

6. Memphis Tenn/Tunica Mississippi - appx. 172 miles - Sam's Town Casino And Rv Park - 1477 Casino Strip

Resorts Boulevard, Robinsonville, MS 38664 - 662-363-0711 - full hook-ups for sewer, water, telephone, cable tv, and concrete pads.

Monday - May 11th- Arrival day and we will have dinner at the Grand Buffet at the casino appx. 5:30 pm. Evening to relax and join campfire together!

Tuesday - May 12th - Free Day to Explore Memphis On Your Own. Appx. 45 Minutes to The City of Memphis.

7. Vicksburg, Mississippi- 246 miles - Grand Gulf Military Park Campground. Appx. 30 miles south of Vicksburg to a lovely wooded park that you will really enjoy. This RV Park is more than just a park with museum, civil war site and other artifacts. Full hookups. Note - some of the internet maps as well as GPS devices are wrong. If you enter by way of Highway61 to Grand Gulf Road you should not have a problem.

Wednesday - May 13 - Due to length of travel/enjoy the rest of the day on your own. Hot dog cookout and Ice cream social appx. 4:00 pm at camp central.

Thursday - May 14 - Morning - Vicksburg National Military Park - 3201 Clay Street, Vicksburg, MS 39183 - 601-636-0583, key role in the civil war that lasted 47 days. The nation was divided, but both sides agreed: Vicksburg was vital to victory. To confederate president Jefferson Davis, Vicksburg was the "nailhead that holds the south's two halves together." President Abraham Lincoln remarked "Vicksburg is the key "to victory and could be the north's lifeline into the south. As the federals closed in on the fortress city, they were met by a ring of forts with over 170 cannons. The resulting battle would determine the war's outcome. Plan to see the USS Cairo and museum which is the only remaining example of a city class ironclad, the USS Cairo museum offers a glimpse into the brown water navy and life on board. Over 1400 monuments and memorials dot the landscape at Vicksburg, each a work of art honoring the veterans of the siege. We will be hiring a licensed battlefield guide to help us gain a full understanding of the siege of Vicksburg.



Lunch/Dinner at "OLD COUNTRY STORE" 2:30 pm - Restaurant located at 18801 HWY 61. Lorman, Ms. Considered to be the best chicken in the South with southern fried chicken and crispy chicken buffet that you top it off with pecan cobber and ice cream.

Optional afternoon on own: You may want to explore the Mississippi Blues Trail in Vicksburg. In Vicksburg they have 5 blues trail markers: the blue room, highway 61 south, Marcus bottom, the red tops and Willie Dixon. The life and music of Vicksburg's best-known bluesman, Willie Dixon, is also celebrated on one of the 32 depictions of Vicksburg's history found on the Vicksburg riverfront murals along Levee Street. This driving trip could take you several hours to complete.

Friday - May 15 - Morning - Anahuac mansion tour (1010 First East St.) Of Vicksburg's first columned mansion and the first antebellum home in area. This Greek revival landmark is listed on the national register of historic places. Anahuac a Choctaw Indian word meaning "happy home". We will have coffee/tea and a sweet roll for breakfast in the "morning tea room" at the mansion before tour.

The Old Courthouse Museum – 1 Confederate Flags, including one that was never surrendered, the tie worn by Jefferson Davis at his inauguration as confederate president, fine portraits, china and silver, exquisite antique furniture, the trophy antlers won by the steamboat Robert E Lee in an 1870 race, antebellum clothing, toys , Indian and pioneer implements, and an original teddy bear given to a local child by Theodore Roosevelt.

Lunch on own.

Afternoon - Jesse Brent lower Mississippi river museum - This museum is packed with uniquely informative displays, orientation theater, 1927 flood wall and tent, aquarium and wide variety of exhibits detailing how society - including Vicksburg residents - has used the river over the past several centuries.

The Old Warren County Court house built in 1858 stands today as Vicksburg's most historic structure and has hosted such guests and speakers as Jefferson Davis, Ulysses S. Grant, Booker T. Washington, Teddy Roosevelt and William McKinley. This is a must see for our group.

Evening is free.

8. Natchez Trace, Mississippi/ Vidalia Louisiana- 107 miles - River View RV Park and Resort, 100 River View Parkway, Vidalia, La. 71373 - 888-628-2430/318-336-1400 (GPS please use: 800 Martin Luther King Ave.) They are just across the bridge from historic Natchez, the oldest settlement on the Mississippi. Full amenities with clubhouse, pool, hot tub, etc.

Saturday - May 16 - Early afternoon visit to the Natchez Visitor Center to see the twenty-minute movie about the history of Natchez (located at the intersection of us highway 84 and canal street). Afternoon horse and buggy carriage ride (horse drawn carriages which departs at the corner of canal and state streets) .

Sunday - May 17 - Afternoon tour of Longwood Antebellum Mansion Tour located at 140 Lower Woodville Road, Natchez, Mississippi.

Afternoon tour of William Johnson Museum house tour (state run). This property connected the life of a free man of color and his family during the antebellum era by exploring his furnished living quarters and surrounding landscape estate largely unchanged. Ranger led tour of the main house and self-guided garden tours of the formal and informal gardens, self-guided outbuildings tours and viewing of the furnished slave cabin with exhibits. Located at 640 South Canal Street and downtown Natchez historical park (Melrose) 212 State Street, Natchez, MS 3912.

Monday - May 18 - optional free day but you may want to go the Old South Winery located at 65 South Concord Ave, Natchez MS 39120. They we give you a short tour with some wine tasting. This winery has the largest selection of muscadine wines anywhere. This is a fruity



wine and their special southern grapes are native to the coastal southeastern USA and are cousins of bunch grapes. Muscadines are an American grape with a European name.

Later afternoon for Happy Hour we will go the very famous Under The Hill Saloon. 25 Silver St., Natchez, Ms. Natchez was the beginning of the Natchez Trace, which most all settlers would travel to go home. Natchez was a resort of sorts and Natchez under the hill was their playground. Construction is unknown but most likely built in the late 1700's, historic research shows the saloon has been used as a brothel, warehouse, general store and bar. A landmark legendary saloon. Rally will buy your first Beer or Cold drink. Evening dinner at camp - BBQ chicken(TBD).

9. New Orleans, Louisiana / 333 miles (Pontchartrain Landing RV park) 6001 France Rd., New Orleans 70126/ 504-286-8157. We welcome you to New Orleans unique gated marina resort featuring a restaurant, bar, boat launch and RV sites. Just 12 minutes from the French quarter or famous Bourbon Street. Pontchartrain landing is luxury casual living at its finest with a swimming pool, hot tub and daily shuttle to the French quarter (\$6.00 per person round trip with scheduled departures and return), lighthouse bar and grill with live music.

Tuesday - May 19 -longest drive of the trip so day is free to unwind. Shrimp cocktails and Margarita's in club room around 4:30 pm. Bring a sandwich to eat together later in the evening as we will all be tired.

Wednesday - May 20 - The Court Of Two Sisters' brunch with jazz group. Sumptuous selection of hot and cold dishes- eggs benedict and turtle soup are served all day, menu includes creole jambalaya, duck a l'orange, shrimp etouffee, BBQ pork ribs, chicken and andouille gumbo, catfish roulade and an assortment of vegetables and side dishes. Cold selections are boiled shrimp, seafood and pasta salads, ceviche, pates, cheeses and a variety of fresh fruit. Also included are delicious deserts: pecan pie, homemade French vanilla ice cream, king cake, bananas

foster and their famous courtyard bread pudding with whiskey sauce. We will take shuttle to restaurant at \$6.00 per person round trip coming back whenever you desire.

Later that afternoon we will take an air condition bus guided city tour and later returning to the restaurant area which is located in the French quarter. Shuttle available from the French quarter back to the RV camp grounds. Evening free!!!

Thursday - May 21 - Oak Alley Mansion Tour with pre-selected Lunch. 3645 Highway 18 (Great River Road) Vacherie Louisiana 70090- 800-44alley or 2252652151. Very famous antebellum home with many filmed shows at this location. A few of them are Midnight Bayou, Ghost Hunters, Beyoncé's Deja Vu music video and B Day, Hush, Hush Sweet Charlotte, Nightrider, Dixie, Days Of Our Lives, The Long Hot Summer, Interview with a Vampire and Primary Colors. We will carpool to this location which is appx. 50 to 60-minute drive from RV park.

Evening free to maybe go back into New Orleans to visit Bourbon Street and maybe take in Cafe Du Monde for their French style beignets and New Orleans coffee. Cost is appx. \$7.00 for both items per person. Optional!

Friday - May 22 - New Orleans School of Cooking with 3 course meal. RV park will take and pick up at \$6.00 per person round trip (own expense) or driving to lot 401/ 500 Decatur St. Public parking nearby for \$10.00 for the day. 524 St. Louis St. 504-525-2665.

Saturday - May 23 - Farewell River Boat Cruise and brunch (Steamboat Natchez) 800-365-2628. Cruise aboard the only surviving steamboat in New Orleans and listen to cool jazz on this relaxing 2-hour tour. Savor the flavors of a southern style brunch, and step back in time to when life was as slow as the Mississippi river itself.

Sunday - May 24th - Veterans WWII Museum. The National WWII museum tells the story of the American experience in the war that changed the world - why it



was fought, how it was won and what it means today - so that all generations can understand the price of freedom and be inspired by what they learn. Through exhibits, multimedia experiences, and thousands of person accounts, the museum takes visitors on an immersive tour of World War II in every theater of war. A world of history awaits our discovery. We will also see the exclusive 4d experience Beyond All Boundaries, narrated by Tom Hanks.

Monday - May 25 - Leisure departure from rally.

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Tucson Drifters Event Calendar

2019-2020 - *A Work in Progress*

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



October 2019		November 2019	December 2019	January 2020
Title:	RMMA	Rocky Point Rendezvous/Rally	New Year's 2020 Celebration	Dark
Date:	Oct 17-20	Nov 19-22	Dec 28 – Jan 2	
Place:	Pima County Fairgrounds Tucson, AZ	Puerto Penasco, MX	Las Vegas	
Host:	Tucson Drifters	Kuehn, Baumann/Nester	Roubal, Schultz, & Kuehn	
February 2020		March 2020	April- May 2020	
Title	Valentine Celebration Rally	FMCA International	Mighty Mississippi River Spring Foliage Rally	
Date	Feb 13-16	Mar 26-29	Apr 30 – May 25	
Place	Benson, AZ	Pima County Fairgrounds Tucson, AZ	Arkansas, Missouri, Mississippi, Louisiana	
Host	Brooks, Chandler	Tucson Drifters	Roubal, Kuehn & Schaefer	

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VIVA LAS VEGAS!!!



Celebrate New Year's Eve and bring in "2020" with your fellow Tucson Drifter's in Las Vegas.

**Five Nights at the Beautiful Oasis RV Resort
Two Shows - Righteous Brothers and Alley Cats
Fireworks and Champagne on New Year's Eve
Mob Museum, Four Dinners, and Much Much More**

December 28, 2019 to January 2, 2020

(a minimum of 10 coaches for group rate)

Names _____

Phone _____ Phone _____

E-Mail _____ E-Mail _____

RV Length _____ # Pets _____

Emergency Contact _____ Phone _____

Amount Paid

NON-REFUNDABLE DEPOSIT DUE BY AUGUST 15, 2019 \$100 _____

FINAL PAYMENT DUE BY NOVEMBER 5, 2019 \$445 _____

RALLY FEE: (2 PERSONS) \$545 _____

RALLY HOSTS: Ruth & Tom Roubal, Barbara & Jim Schultz, Kendra & Bernie Kuehn

Make Check Payable to: **Tucson Drifters**

Mail to: Ted Schaefer
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Tucson, AZ 85730

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<u>\$200.00</u> NON-REFUNDABLE DEPOSIT DUE BY <u>August 1,2019</u>		_____
1 st Payment of \$600 Due by	Oct 1, 2019	_____
2 nd Payment of \$600 Due by	Feb 1, 2020	_____
Final Payment of \$599 Due by	Mar 1, 2020	_____
(Optional: Lamberts \$38.00 for Two.		_____)

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