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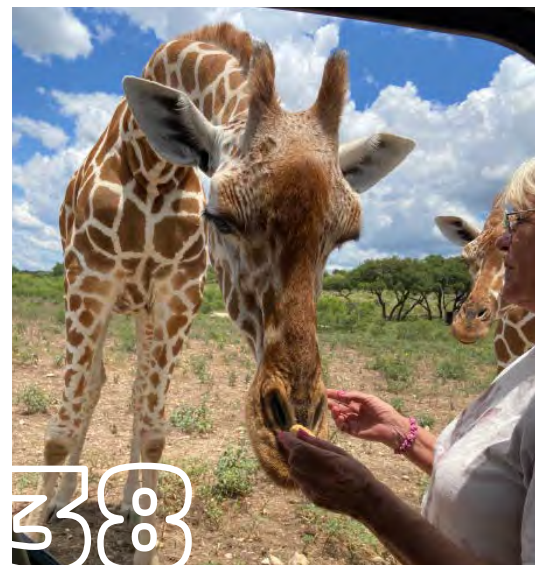
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I am sure we are all feeling a little out of our element these days, maybe like we are in a warped other dimension. But in this year of twists and turns, there's nothing more important than making certain our club members stay and feel as safe as possible.

Handling the pandemonium of the pandemic has been challenging. We've canceled most of our scheduled events. At this time as we continue to embrace the 'pandemic pause', we plan to wait until September to make a final decision on the Kerrville Grandvention as well as the Ladies Driving School. We will abide by the Texas guidelines. Again, safety is our main concern.

Our International President and First Lady, Russ & Susan Miller, have been on the road and on a mission. Russ & Susan have met with several club members along their journey listening to their suggestions as well as sharing the desire of involvement needed from them. It's exciting to hear the progress made with the Northwest chapter. They have a rally on the calendar for the July 4th holiday at Bert & Trina De Winkle's farm in Idaho. Mark your calendars. I have no doubt this is going to be a lot of fun.

Several of our chapters have rallies remaining on the calendar for this year. Check the dates and see if any can work for you. These may certainly be a welcomed escape.

I am working on the 2021 – 2022 event schedules. As announced in previous magazines, the Florida Minicade was added. Another addition to next year's events will be a Grand Villa Reunion to be held here at the Foretravel factory. Won't that be a sight to see all those classics parked together? If we don't get to follow protocol and first announce the 2022 events at this year's Grandvention, look for them in the next magazine which will be the Fall issue.

My heart goes out to those of you who have experienced Covid 19. I am sure you also know several who have had it. It certainly makes it more than just a topic of the news. It makes it personal. When my son and daughter-in-law tested positive, I became the (temporary) substitute mom for my 16 and 17 year old grandsons. Now keep in mind, I sold my home in Lufkin and moved to Nacogdoches last year, DOWNSIZING. It was actually quite an adjustment for

me. I had just told a friend I was getting use to my little cottage, but if one more person were actually living there with me, I'd probably go nuts. So, for the next three weeks, I adjusted to the extra 6'4" and 6'5" bodies, their enormous appetites and haphazard schedules. They both drive and have their own trucks so they basically came and went as their schedules dictated. Oh yes, the trucks- not exactly made with grandmothers in mind. The extra-large tires on the lifted frame, does not allow one to enter or exit in a lady like manner! It certainly gave us laughable moments to remember. Although tired from late nights, out of town baseball tournaments and back to school shopping sprees, when the time came for them to safely return home, I'm not so sure I was completely ready. After doting on them the whole time as grandparents are designed to do, I had the joy and satisfaction of sending them home completely rotten.

Stay safe my friends and hopefully we'll see each other soon.

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2020 INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT & FIRST LADY *Russ and Susan Miller*



Fall has come upon us ever so quickly. Covid-19 has taken its toll on preferred activities and changed so many lives. Chapters have now begun conducting rallies or social gatherings once again. Susan and I have enjoyed traveling throughout the country making new friends with members of our club. The enthusiasm is overwhelming. Our members are proud to be owners of the Foretravel brand. We've spent time with long time owners and relatively new owners. Owners of pre-owned older coaches to owners of new coaches all seem optimistic about our club and the future facing RVing.

We've been entertained by the Volkerts (#16748) & Spalters (#18307) in Gig Harbor, WA and the Knudsons (#18304) in Ellensburg, WA. Steve & Kathy Enfinger (#17251) joined us for an afternoon of Foretravel story telling. (the fruit baskets were wonderful!) Then it was on to the De Winkles (#17800) in Idaho. On our last evening in Melba, we were joined by Ron & Hazel Young (#18445) for a wonderful time of good food, cards and Ron's sophisticated humor. By the time you read this hopefully, we will have already spent a wonderful time in Shipshewana, IN with our Great Lakes Chapter members. With Trina De Winkle as the Chapter President, we will soon have a reconstituted North West Chapter. Yes, we've been busy, but enjoying it very much.

The news out of Foretravel has been nothing other than positive. As you have read from Lyle's updates, the RV industry and especially Foretravel is experiencing an uptick which is good for all of us. Motorhomes of Texas reports similar positive news as sales

of pre-owned coaches are doing very well. Covid-19 has been good for the industry but has limited much of our plans for 2020. With all of our Motorcades having been cancelled for this year, we look forward to a very busy 2021.

Your Executive Board of Directors along with our other partners/relationships continues with great plans for our future. Rallies in ALL Chapters and Motorcades, being planned bode well for when we get together for Grandvention 2021 in Urbanna, Virginia. As we gather at Beth Page RV Resort, we'll celebrate all of the great things we've done and accomplished the previous year. Memories will be made and many stories will be shared. New friends will be made as Susan and I have been making in our travels this year.

If you've noticed, Susan has become more active on several facebook pages dedicated to our family. I'm hoping to become more active myself. Speaking of active, get those stories and pictures into Beverly for our TWO contests. We want to see your traveling pictures with your coach and of course your stories are sure to be unique. Oh yea, don't forget the prize monies!

On a bit of a sour note, I do read postings on the various facebook pages. We all have problems, however; we love our Foretravel Coaches and want our brand to be promoted in a very positive light. I never publish negativity for it serves no purpose. That being said, we MUST address problems within our family or they will not be corrected. Whether it's in my association with the Foretravel

Motorcade Club or with the Rotary organization, I'm frequently accused of extreme enthusiasm and optimism. This has boded well for me; however, I do recognize reality and when presented with obstacles, I look for the way to overcome those obstacles. Limiting the obstacles within the family and working toward solutions will serve our brand exceedingly well.

Something new for 2021: Join us for our Grand Villa Reunion the end of May. This should be fun! See the schedule in this edition of the Motorcader.

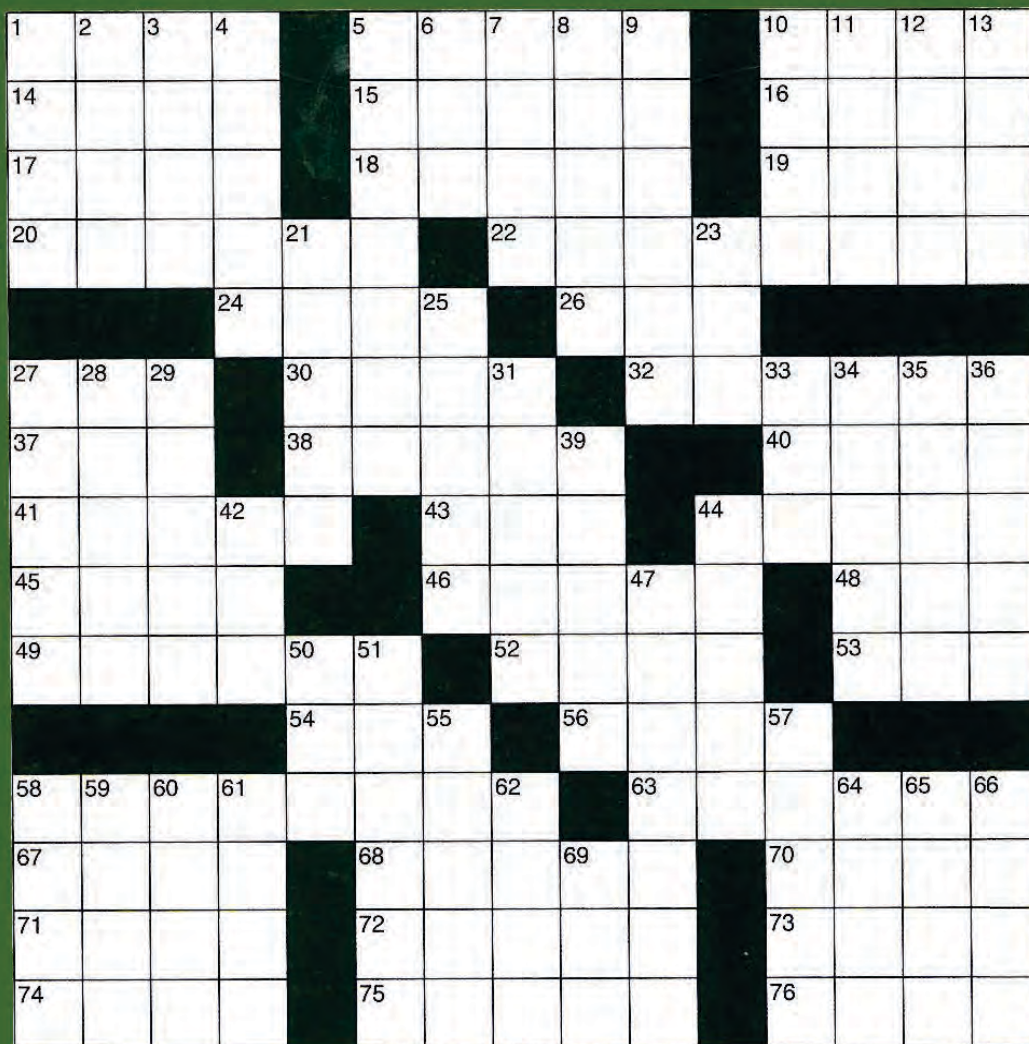
Our Grandvention in Kerrville is nearing and should the covid-19 pandemic allow us to proceed with our plans, you are guaranteed a good time. I look forward to our next time together be it in a large group or individually, we ARE Family.

Russ



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 5 Cavort
 10 Made a web
 14 Decorative needle case
 15 Water retention
 16 In addition
 17 Red planet
 18 Navigation system
 19 Antelope
 20 Brief expression
 22 State with Isle Royale National Park
 24 Not as much
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 27 Brother's sibling
 30 Bunsen burner
 32 Ruler
 37 Teaspoon (abbr)
 38 State with Acadia National Park
 40 Navy color
 41 Leftovers of civilizations
 43 School group
 44 The Cat
 45 Jewish scribe
 46 Power controlling device
 48 Airport (abbr)
 49 Native American village
 52 Visionary
 43 Okay
 54 Environmental Protection Agency (abbr)
 56 Pull
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 67 Nurture
 68 State with Nez Perce National Historic Park
 70 Domain
 71 Canal
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 2 State with Arches National Park
 3 Cold persons' noise
 4 Strong rope fiber
 5 Small keyboard instrument
 6 Hubbub
 7 Curl hair, permanently
 8 Electronic communication
 9 Spoiled
 10 Rice wine
 11 Stopper
 12 U.S. Department of Agriculture
 13 Person, place or thing
 21 Gives the impression of being
 23 _____ you! (attention getter)
 25 Trims
 27 Throat infection
 28 Car manufacturer
 29 Church steeple
 31 What you raise in poker
 33 North by east
 34 Bowling _____
 35 Large hotel room
 36 State with Big Bend National Park
 39 Cornstalk
 42 Arrest
 44 Inroad
 47 Rockefeller National Historical Park
 50 Constellation
 51 Type of American Express card
 55 Scrutinize
 57 Non _____ (not welcome)
 58 Gall
 59 Air (prefix)
 60 First member
 61 Leaf maker
 62 African country
 64 Smooth
 65 Long time
 66 Valley
 67 Movie 2001's talking computer

SERVICE NEWS

Mark & Donna Crick

#16141



Hello from Kansas,

As you all know by now, the Club and its Directors have had to cancel all our Motorcades for the 2020 season. So for the first time in many years, Donna and I are home for the summer, as is the Foretravel "Parts/Support Trailer". I'm sure if it could talk, it would want to know if it too, has been furloughed, quarantined, or fired. Its routine has been to follow our Motorcadars all over this great nation and Canada to the tune of around 10,000 plus miles every year for the last 20 years straight. But believe me, with the wheel bearings repacked, new brakes, and a fresh coat of wax, it is "all dressed up with no place to go" except Grandvention that is!!

So as our coach and maybe yours too has been in storage longer than we would like, it reminds me of how thankful I am that I don't have to go out and flip on the "Boost Switch" that we talked about in the last issue, to keep my engine start batteries from going dead. If you still do, read on and I'll explain how installing a VSR will improve your life and help your start-batteries live longer too.

Our engines with all the electronics associated with them, draw voltage from our batteries even when everything is shut off. If we don't supply some type of charge to them during storage, rather it is adding a trickle charger, starting the engine once a month, turning on the boost switch monthly, or unhooking the batteries completely, we risk the chance of them going dead and shortening their "life".

There is an easier way! Add a "VSR" (Voltage Sensing Relay) to your charging system and never worry about your engine batteries during storage again. How do you ask? Well, the VSR is not new. It has been around in the boating industry for many years. The way it works is simple. You tie the VSR into your house battery charging system. When the voltage in the house batteries have reached 13.8 to 14.2 volts, the unit senses they are fully charged and will automatically engage a relay that starts adding voltage to your auxiliary battery, or in our case, our engine start batteries. If at any time the house batteries drop in voltage below 12.8 volts, the relay will disengage, therefore leaving our

engine start batteries at a predetermined voltage level.

Foretravel started installing the voltage sensitivity relay on their motorcoaches when the IH45 was first introduced and continue installing it today as a standard feature.

If you're like me and tired of having to worry about the condition of your start batteries during storage, or anytime your coach is plugged into shore power, consider having the Foretravel Service Center install a "Voltage Sensing Relay" part # 710140AB on your existing coach. Or you could just trade into a new model with one factory-installed!! If neither of those options works out for you, keep in mind, we keep one in that lonely "Service Trailer" and those parts really do go the extra mile, like I said about 10,000 as a matter of fact, on a normal year.

See you at Grandvention



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Cooking

THE FORETRAVEL WAY

Maybe to put us in a better frame of mind during this 'pandemonium pause', let's start thinking of those upcoming pot luck dinners. Here are a couple of easy recipes that are sure to please. Both can be made ahead of time or secure your slow cooker in the sink and cook the ribs while driving to your destination. Enjoy.

Creamy Pasta Salad

INGREDIENTS

8 ounces salad macaroni or ditalini pasta
1 cup tiny broccoli florets
1/2 cup diced cucumber
1/2 cup finely diced red pepper
1/2 cup sliced black olives
1/4 cup very thinly sliced green onion



DRESSING INGREDIENTS

1/2 cup mayonnaise
2 teaspoons white wine or plain vinegar
1/2 teaspoon kosher salt adjust to taste
1/2 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
1/2 teaspoon sugar

Instructions

1. Cook the pasta according to the directions on the package, adding a generous tablespoon or so of kosher salt to the water as it cooks. Just before the noodles are done cooking, add the broccoli to the pot. Let the broccoli boil for about 30 seconds and then drain everything into a large colander. Rinse well with cold water.

2. Stir together the mayonnaise, vinegar, salt, pepper, and sugar in a large mixing bowl. Add the cooked pasta and broccoli to the bowl and stir well to coat. Add the cucumber, pepper, and onions and stir again. Taste and adjust seasonings, if needed. Cover and refrigerate until ready to serve. Stir again just before serving. Enjoy!

Texas Two Step • Slow Cooker Spareribs

6 pounds Pork
fresh, spareribs
separable lean and fat, raw
1 1/2 cups Ketchup
3/4 cup Brown Sugars
1/2 cup Distilled Vinegar
1/2 cup Honey
(strained or extracted)
1/3 cup Soy Sauce
1 1/2 teaspoons
Ground Ginger
1 teaspoon Table Salt
3/4 teaspoon Dry Mustard
1/2 teaspoon Garlic Powder
1/4 teaspoon Black Pepper

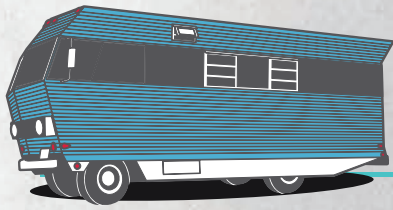


Step 1

Put spareribs in the bottom of a slow cooker; top with ketchup, brown sugar, vinegar, honey, soy sauce, ginger, salt, mustard, garlic powder, and black pepper.

Step 2

Cook on High for 5 hours.



Motorcade Club News

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Mary Griggs

#7117

August 5, 2020

Abilene, TX

TEACHERS

By Steve Crook

I don't believe in coincidence. People we meet, things we talk about and experiences, happen for a reason. Today, I had the opportunity to talk to Hazel at church. She is my senior by many years and she still carries the love for life. Her music and her openness to other people set her apart and make her a person to cherish. Today, the chronic pressures of infirmity had clouded her normally flashing eyes. Yet, she was not withdrawn but was outward looking -- sharing life with the people she met.

At lunch, Carol and I met Ruby and Vick. Over the years that we have lived here, occasionally they would eat at the Huddle House after church as would we. Vick attends church in Yorkville. Again, what made Vick special was his love of life and people. He would meet people, including me, and say hello and wish them well. A truly friendly person is rare to find. I would look forward to seeing him on Sunday. Today, he was noticeably thinner. He has cancer. Six months ago the doctors told him to seek out a hospice and put his affairs in order. The six months of life that they thought he had left are now up. He is hanging in there, but asked us to pray for him. By the way, he came up to us to say hello and ask us where we had been.

I know that we all travel our own paths in life. I know that death is as much a part of life as is any other part. So why do I feel frustrated with the realities of my friends' lives? I DO NOT WANT TO LOSE THE GEM OF THEIR EXISTENCE IN MY LIFE. This is something which I have no control. I don't feel that this is a selfish thought, but rather a thought born by my frame of reference. Their path in life has crossed mine and I am the better for it. Because of this, I will mourn their absence.

I want to turn to an observation. We, as humans, have a life span and span does mean that there is an end. After the end, what is left here on earth? What is left is the memory of what we were as demonstrated by word and deed. Our integrity, our love, our compassion will outlive us. Who we were will be measured by the memories of the ones we touched. Both Hazel and Vick are showing me the way.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

2020

SEPTEMBER 15 - 18

Great Lakes Chapter Rally

OCTOBER 22 - 24

Mid-South Chapter Rally

NOVEMBER 8 - 12

California Chapter Rally

OCTOBER 8 - 10

Florida / South Central
Joint Chapter Rally

OCTOBER 22 - 24

Central Plains Chapter Rally

DECEMBER 10 - 12

Florida Chapter Rally

OCTOBER 12 - 15

Ladies Driving School

OCTOBER 27 - 30

Texas Grandvention

2021

**JANUARY
FEBRUARY**

APRIL 30 - MAY 14

Florida Minicade

AUGUST

MARCH 29 - APRIL 11

DC Cherry Blossom Festival

MAY 25 - JULY 13

North to Alaska Motorcade

SEPTEMBER 28 - OCTOBER 1

Virginia Grandvention

APRIL 15 - 17

Florida Chapter Spring Rally

MAY 27 - JULY 30

Foretravel Grand Villa Reunion

OCTOBER 4 - 31

Virginia/West Virginia Motorcade

APRIL 26 - 29

Ladies Driving School

JUNE

OCTOBER 18 - 21

Ladies Driving School

APRIL 26 - MAY 4

California / Four Corners
Joint Chapter Rolling Rally

JULY 2 - 4

Northwest Chapter Summer Rally

NOVEMBER

DECEMBER

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POLICIES RESERVATIONS

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CANCELLATIONS/REFUNDS

If reservations are canceled 90 days before the event, your deposits will be refunded less any unrecoverable monies retained by vendors from deposits made on member's behalf. If cancellation falls within 90 days prior to the beginning of the activity, 20% of the fees paid will be retained to cover the cost of postage, printing, supplies, bank charges, etc., plus any charges for any actual cost from guarantees and/or deposits made on member's behalf. No shows can result in no refunds. All refunds (except in very serious cases) will be charged 20% of the event fee plus actual cost from guarantees and/or deposits made on member's behalf.

Some special events have their own cancellation policies.

GUESTS

Arrangements and/or registration for all guests should be made upon registration or no later than 90 days prior to the start of any event.

STANDBY LIST

Space is limited on many events. All reservations are recorded in the order initial deposits are received. If received on the same day, they are handled in a lottery style manner. When a cancellation occurs, the first on the standby list is notified to fill the opening. Do not hesitate to sign up when discovering there is a standby list for an event. Very seldom have we had any standbys remaining at the start of an event.

SCOUTING AN EVENT

This occurs approximately one year prior to running the event. Pricing and finalizing with confirmation of all tours and attractions for each event take approximately four to six months after scouting is completed. Dates are tentative. Pricing and confirmed dates will be published in the Motorcader magazine.

All Motorcading Guidelines and Policies are written in full and found in the back of the Foretravel Motorcade Club Membership Directory.

YOU MUST BE A CURRENT MEMBER IF YOU WISH TO SIGN UP FOR EVENTS

EVENT	NUMBER IN PARTY	AMOUNT ENCLOSED
TOTAL ENCLOSED		

I and those attending with me understand that neither Foretravel, Inc., the Foretravel Motorcade Club, or its staff, any parking area owner or suppliers of services assume any responsibility directly or indirectly for the use or operation of any car or motorhome going to or from any of the activities that we attend; or for any losses involving personal belongings, the car or motorhome, due to any causes whatsoever, or for injuries within or without the activity; or damages to property of any kind.

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CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____ PHONE _____

Are you bringing a guest: ☐ Yes ☐ No. If yes, Name of guest _____

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UPCOMING CHAPTER RALLIES

CALIFORNIA

November 8 - 12, 2020

FALL RALLY

Flying Flags RV Park Resort & Campground
Buellton, CA

Wagon Masters:

Tom & Diane Lang #16681

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April 29 - May 4, 2021

SPRING JOINT FRIENDS ROLLING RALLY w/FOUR CORNERS

Grand Canyon & Sedona

**Start: Distant Drums RV Park
Verde Valley, AZ**

**End: Railside RV Ranch
Williams, AZ**

Wagon Masters:

Tom & Diane Lang #16681

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CENTRAL PLAINS

October 21 - 25, 2020

FALL RALLY

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FLORIDA

October 8 - 10, 2020

FALL JOINT RALLY w/SOUTH CENTRAL

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Linda West #17113

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December 10 - 12, 2020

CHRISTMAS RALLY

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April 22 - 24, 2021

SPRING RALLY

Quail Run RV Park

Wesley Chapel, FL

Wagon Masters: Randy & Karen Crete #18066

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FOUR CORNERS

April 26 - May 4, 2021

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Verde Valley, AZ

End: Railside RV Ranch

Williams, AZ

Wagon Masters: Tom & Diane Lang #16681

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GREAT LAKES

September 15 - 18, 2020

FALL RALLY

Shipshewana South Campground

Shipshewana, IN

Wagon Masters:

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MID ATLANTIC

September 17 - 20, 2020

FALL RALLY

Capitol KOA

Annapolis, MD

Wagon Masters:

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MID SOUTH

October 22 - 24, 2020

FALL RALLY

Buckhorn Lake RV Resort

Kerrville, TX

Wagon Masters:

Bill & Barbara Robinson #17402

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NORTH ATLANTIC

September, 16 - 20, 2020

FALL RALLY

Gettysburg, PA

Wagon Masters:

Chris & Susan #17955

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NORTHWEST

TBA

SOUTH CENTRAL

October 8 - 10, 2020

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OPTIONAL DUES STRUCTURE

BRONZE

Standard Motorcade Club annual dues:

\$95/year per coach.

- Benefits: 10% discount parts/service at FOT
- Quarterly magazine
- Chapter rallies
(if chapter dues is paid to at least 1 chapter)
- Motorcades scouted by FMC activity directors
- Access to FMC website for the latest on activities
- Access to on-line Membership Directory
(with user name/password)
- Membership badges
- Membership number decals for coach

SILVER

Foretravel
Motorcade Club
annual dues:

\$250
year per coach

- All Bronze benefits plus:
- \$100 discount on one motorcade/year
- \$50 discount on Grandvention registration/coach

GOLD

Foretravel
Motorcade Club
annual dues:

\$500
year per coach

- All Bronze benefits plus:
- \$100 discount on up to two motorcades/year
- \$100 discount on Grandvention registration/coach

PLATINUM

Foretravel
Motorcade Club
annual dues:

\$1,000
year per coach

- All Bronze benefits plus:
- \$150 discount on up to three motorcades/year
- \$150 discount on Grandvention registration/coach
- Preferred parking at all Club events.

DIAMOND

Foretravel
Motorcade Club
one-time payment:

\$6,000
per coach

- Benefits:
All Platinum benefits for lifetime



My Personal Experience with the

LADIES' DRIVING SCHOOL

By Shannon Lanning

I can tell you that I was NOT eager to go to Ladies Driving School! I put it off for over seven years, which is how long we had owned the Foretravel coach. I could never bring myself to get in the driver's seat. This was Kris's [very expensive] baby. What would happen if I dinged it or worse, wrecked it? Sadly, he wrecked it and was pretty upset with himself. I decided I better at least know how to drive the thing in case something happened to him should I have to get it off the road or drive it all the way home by myself. I always teased that I would just hire someone to drive it, but that isn't really practical in an emergency situation. And so it began...

Part of the first day of school consisted of getting acquainted with the other ladies. About half of the ladies had never driven before, just like me. I was so worried I would be the only one who had NEVER driven! Next, we got an introduction to our motorhome by way of walking around it with our instructor pointing out what everything is for, inside and out. There is a whole lot to learn! Some of it I knew about, some of it I didn't. That evening after dinner, we had mini remote control motorhome races! It was fun and helped everyone relax.

Another reason Kris wanted me to take ladies driving school was so that I could pass on to him the right way to do things that he might be doing wrong. Most, if not all,

men are self-taught and there are no classes offered for men at the factory. Kris really wanted to know the right way to do things. There were also some brand new Foretravel owners in the class, who had never driven an RV. I thought it was funny that those wives would probably know more than the husbands right off the bat!

The second day was spent in the classroom viewing slides and going through the manual we were given. I was getting more nervous by the minute! On the third day, we would actually be getting behind the wheel and driving through several different staged courses with five ladies in each coach. I was so nervous I couldn't eat breakfast. We had the use of a new 36', 40', 42' and two 45' coaches. We were assigned randomly to our instructors and the coaches. OMG, I was assigned to a 45' coach! Our own was only 40'! I managed to be fourth in line to drive the course, which helped a lot. Being able to watch the others first made it a lot easier for me. Our instructor, Jack, has a reputation for really challenging his students. And challenge me, he did. After doing the slalom where you drive in and out of cones positioned very close together, he had me backing up through the same course! I was so relieved after I finished without running over a single cone! We also simulated backing into a campsite following the hand signals a spotter, driving up to a dump station and stopping at the proper area of the coach using

mirrors, and driving up to and backing up through a narrow gate. I was amazed at how well I did. I think it helped because I did watch Kris closely when he's driving.

I wasn't quite as nervous on the fourth day. This would be our last day. We would be driving the highway loop around Nacogdoches, in REAL TRAFFIC! Each of us drove for about 45 minutes at speeds from 55mph to 70mph. I could not believe how relaxed and laid back Jack was, but then he's been teaching this course for about 11 years. I don't think anyone had ever crashed and I didn't want to go first! I wanted the benefit of watching the other ladies drive. Four ladies drove the loop before lunch which left only me. I would drive after lunch and I was getting nervous again. It seemed like a really long drive when the others were at the wheel.

But when I got in the driver's seat, it all went by pretty fast! Thank goodness! My only error was barely tapping the curb with my rear tires driving out of the parking lot. They call that a "curb check". I was super nervous the whole time, but now I know I can do it if needed!

That evening at our graduation dinner, all the ladies received their graduation certificates. All five instructors made everything so much fun and relaxing throughout the week, leaving all the ladies smiling at the end of school [unlike at the beginning]!



**John & Ellen
MCKEE**

LADIES' DRIVING SCHOOL

OCTOBER 12 - 15, 2020 • DAYS: 4

TRAINED INSTRUCTORS

COACHES PROVIDED

DRIVERS MANUAL

W/ HOOKUPS: 4

MEALS: 9

PROGRAM

SERVICE REP.: NO

PRICE:

1 in MH - \$620.00

2 in MH - \$825.00

Guest - \$620.00

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FORETRAVEL
MOTORCADE CLUB

**Club
STAFF**

Texas **GRANDVENTION**

OCTOBER 27 - 30, 2020 • DAYS: 4

SEMINARS
VENDORS
ENTERTAINMENT
SHOW COACHES

W/ HOOKUPS: 4
MEALS: 7
PROGRAM
SERVICE REP.: YES

PRICE:
1 in MH - \$430.00
2 in MH - \$598.00
Guest - \$302.00

LOCATION VENUE CHANGE

Just to blend in with this year's theme of 'crazy/hectic', we made the decision to change our location and go back to Mineola for this year's Grandvention. We want a venue to be comfortable and accommodating for our members and Mineola has that. They have a wonderful facility that can accommodate us comfortably.

Our own Club Service Representative, Mark & Donna Crick, will be performing any needed work as usual. But should you find you need service requiring shop facilities, you may schedule those for immediately following the Grandvention where Motorhomes of Texas and Foretravel of Texas have left time & open bays for those attending the Grandvention.

As always, be prepared for four days of great food, fellowship and fun. If you've not registered, do so now. Don't forget your cowboy hat and boots. It's still a western theme - it is Texas ya know and you want to dress 'proper' in Texas!

Of course, to compliment the western theme of this Grandvention, we will delight you with an outstanding country/western band. The Bret Mullins Band out of San Antonio will keep us well entertained for a few hours Thursday night as we listen, dance and sing along. Carefree blonde hair tucked under a Stetson hat, an old guitar, and an easy goin' grin are key elements of the 6' 3" singer's signature look. David Ryan, host of the podcast "Southbound I-35," nailed it when he described Bret's sound as "a very strong, distinctive voice but with a certain familiarity." A few years ago, San Antonio awarded Bret with the title "Best Country Band". Bret, along with his veteran band, is shaking up the country music scene.

Plan to greet old friends, meet new friends and have a grand time as we always do each year. Tell your friends to meet you in the MINEOLA.

Full payment due at this time.

A \$200 Deposit will put you on the reservation list.





Washington D.C. *Cherry Blossom* FESTIVAL

MARCH 29 - APRIL 11, 2021 • DAYS:

ENC. TOURS: 21

OPTIONS: 0

MEALS: 5

W/ HOOKUPS: 10

PARKING STOPS: 1

ITINERARY PROGRAM

SERVICE REP.: YES

ESTIMATED PRICE:

1 in MH - \$2740.00

2 in MH - \$3388.00

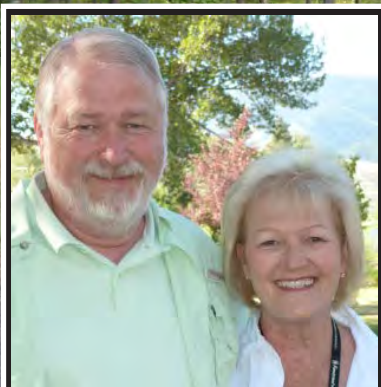
Guest - \$1947.00

The events in Washington are almost as numerous as its bureaucrats; scarcely a week goes by without some sort of Festival, celebration or show. Traditionally marking the arrival of spring at our nation's capital, a burst of pale pink flowers begins one of the city's most cherished events. The national Cherry Blossom Festival in 2020 will be the 108th celebration of the original gift of 3000 cherry trees from the city of Tokyo to the people of the United States in 1912. It was a memorial of national friendship between the two countries. The elaborate festivities, which include music, pageants, and a Japanese lantern lighting ceremony, have grown bigger and better each year. With parades that represent the past and present, our nation's capital is a culturally diverse blend of young and old, rich and poor, a true representation of the United States. America's past, was charted in the hallowed halls of the same buildings that camera-laden tourists spend their vacations visiting. Elegant memorials recall the deeds of our nation's founding fathers and the country's treasures can be seen in museums and galleries lining the expanse of the green known as the "Mall". While we are enjoying this most festive time in our capital, we will also spend some of

our days visiting historical landmarks monuments, museums, cemeteries, scenic sites and other well-known, must-see areas. We will take a trip to Mount Vernon as we ply the waters of the Potomac River aboard the Spirit Cruise vessel. Then upon our return, we will have time to spend with those who have made our country "The land of the free and the home of the brave" at Arlington National Cemetery. A day in nearby Annapolis to explore this early trade port and home of the U.S. Naval Academy, as well as a day in Baltimore to explore the home of our National Anthem, will add to your enjoyment of the area. If you are considering joining us for this trip, please sign up as soon as possible. We will need additional information for security clearance to be submitted for entrance into the White House, Pentagon and other high security areas. So come join use and let us show you why these pink blossoms vie for their noted attention while proudly standing in the midst of our American history.

A \$500 Deposit will put you on the standby list.





**John & Ellen
MCKEE**

LADIES' DRIVING SCHOOL

April 26 - 29, 2021 • DAYS: 4

TRAINED INSTRUCTORS
COACHES PROVIDED
DRIVERS MANUAL

W/ HOOKUPS: 4
MEALS: 9
PROGRAM
SERVICE REP.: NO

PRICE:
1 in MH - \$620.00
2 in MH - \$825.00
Guest - \$620.00

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**Bruce & Pat
OLSON**

Florida minicade

APRIL 30 - MAY 14, 2021 • DAYS: 15

All inclusive pricing
LOGBOOK

Scouting in progress

PRICE:
TBD

Although it's extremely difficult to get commitments from vendors at this time, we are moving forward to put together plans for this exciting Minicade.

Here's just a few of our ideas we plan to expand:
You can't come to Florida or even live in Florida without taking an Everglades Tour. We will step away from the hustle and bustle of the city to visit Florida's natural beauty. You'll be given an in-depth look at the gators, birds, eagles, trees and plants that make up these beautiful wetlands. Experience an untouched part of Florida and soak in the quiet, picturesque atmosphere, where you won't see any city development or homes.

Little Havana is Miami's vibrant Cuban heart, with Latin American art galleries and busy restaurants. Cafes with walk-up windows sell Cuban coffee to cigar-smoking patrons. On Calle Ocho (SW 8th Street), locals discuss politics over dominoes at Maximo Gomez Park, dubbed Domino Park by locals.

The John F. Kennedy Space Center, located in Merritt Island, Florida, is one of ten National Aeronautics and Space Administration field centers. Since December 1968, KSC has

been NASA's primary launch center of human spaceflight. A tour of this sight, will not disappoint.

The oldest masonry fort in the continental United States, the Castillo de San Marcos is a large Spanish stone fortress built to protect and defend Spain's claims in the New World. It's a National Monument and, at over 315 years old, it's the oldest structure in St. Augustine. We will find plenty of things to do at the Castillo, from the numerous rooms that once housed soldiers and prisoners, to the large interior courtyard and gun deck which offers a great view of the city.

These are just a few examples while we'll also be making arrangements at an alligator farm, Catty Shack Ranch Wildlife Sanctuary and we won't let you leave without sticking your toe into the Fountain of Youth. Hey, you never know until you try – right?

This is going to be a fun event so get your reservation in now.

A \$500 Deposit will put you on the reservation list.





NORTH TO *Alaska* MOTORCADE

JUNE 8 - JULY 27, 2021 • DAYS: 50

MILES: 3700
ENC. TOURS: 15
OPTIONS: 24
MEALS: 16

W/ HOOKUPS: 50
PARKING STOPS: 19
LOGBOOK
SERVICE REP.: YES

ESTIMATED PRICE:
1 in MH - \$8,300.00
2 in MH - \$9,900.00
Guest - \$5,900.00

Come join us on a life changing experience that no one should miss. Find out why Alaska is called the "Last Frontier" and leaves everyone that visits with a yearning to return again and again.

Our journey will begin in Dawson Creek, BC, the official start of the Alaska Highway. Built in 1942 in 8 short months, the highway spans 1,422 miles of Canadian and US soil. Traveling this engineering marvel with its beautiful terrain and scenic wildlife is a journey in itself.

Along the way, we'll leave our mark at the world famous 'signpost forest' which was started by some homesick service men back in World War II. While we're in the Yukon Territory, we'll stop at Dawson City, a true to life 'gold rush town' which remains much as it was back in the day. From there, we'll board a ferry (motorhomes included) to forge the Yukon River! We'll travel the Top of the World Highway before entering back into the US and our first big city – Chicken, Alaska - population: 17 (depending on who

you ask!). Once in Alaska, we'll have opportunities galore as we take in the sights of Fairbanks, Anchorage, Seward and Valdez just to name a few. Along the way we will be able to fish for Halibut in Homer, white water raft in Denali and do some whale watching on the way to see a glacier in Seward. This motorcade's list of options is almost endless allowing everyone to truly make this a customized 'trip of a lifetime'. There will also be plenty of time to explore on our own. The natural beauty of this land with its vast forests and preserves provide abundant opportunity to view bear, moose, caribou and bald eagles. The waterfalls and mountain peaks will leave you breathless as each day brings something new to see and do.

Come join us this summer for a motorcade of a lifetime. Don't miss out on this great adventure to "Alaska – the last frontier"

A \$500 Deposit will put you on the registration list.





Virginia GRANDVENTION

SEPTEMBER 28 - OCTOBER 1, 2021 • DAYS: 4

SEMINARS
VENDORS
ENTERTAINMENT
SHOW COACHES

To Be Scouted

ESTIMATED PRICE:
TBD

We will stay and play by the Chesapeake Bay! Our 2021 Grandvention will be at Virginia's highest rated waterfront RV resort, twice named best RV resort in the nation! With full hook up sites, a large reception building to accommodate our group, a host of onsite fun things to add to our daily schedule, we are going to have a ball. They have an ice creamery on the grounds. That could be very dangerous for many of us!!! Miniature golf, paddle boats, pools, sandy beach for volley ball – I see some competition in the making.

Bethpage RV Resort is located in Urbanna which is only a short drive to Colonial Williamsburg. We are looking into the possibilities of bussing our group there for day of touring this historic area.

We've already booked one night of entertainment and fun is in store for sure. We will dance and reminisce as comedian/singer Kenny Evans takes us back a few years when he performs his Golden Oldies selections.

Along with great food, informative seminars, great entertainment and knowledgeable vendors, we always look forward to seeing old friends and making new ones.

Tell your friends to meet you on the shores of Chesapeake Bay.

A \$200 Deposit will put you on the registration list.





**John & Ellen
MCKEE**

Virginia • West Virginia MOTORCADE

OCTOBER 4 - 31, 2021 • DAYS: 28

MILES:
ENC. TOURS:
OPTIONS:
MEALS:

To Be Scouted

ESTIMATED PRICE:
TBD

Following the Virginia Grandvention, we'll continue taking in the beauty of Virginia and West Virginia with an endless list of things to see and do.

We will take a paddle boat to Blennerhassett Island Historical State Park and tour the Palladian mansion which houses some interesting stories. we will find more than a few when we tour the Trans-Allegheny Lunatic Asylum. And 'no', regardless of any plea, we will not leave anyone there upon request.

A visit to the quaint, historic community, of Harpers Ferry National Historical Park at the confluence of the Potomac and Shenandoah rivers, is like stepping into the past where we can stroll the picturesque streets, visit exhibits and museums, or hike our trails and battlefields.

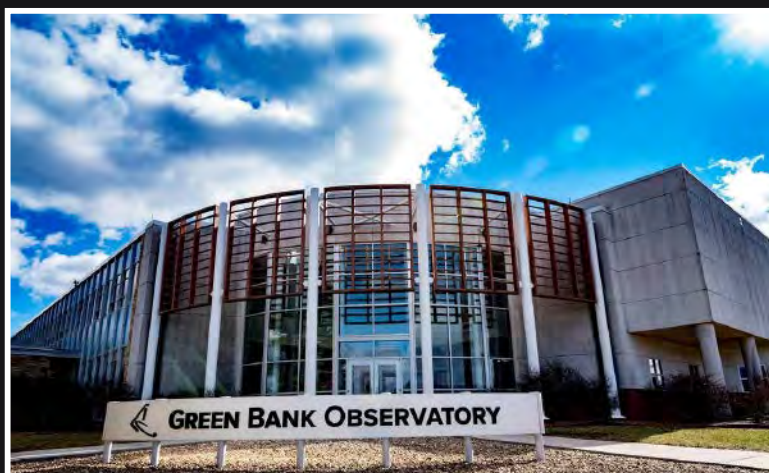
Want to get a better look of the area? There's no better place than the top of the Green Bank Observatory. Bring your camera.

Now be forewarned, the haunted prison in Moundsville, West Virginia is said to be one of the most haunted places in the country. This particular prison has made the top ten list by the Department of Justice as one of the "most violent". Another forewarning.... Stay with the group!

Perhaps river rafting around the New River Gorge can be arranged or a tour to see the remarkable talents of Appalachian glass blowing.

The list can go on and on, but know for sure, you will enjoy every minute and every mile of this incredible motorcade.

A \$500 Deposit will put your name on the registration list.





LADIES' DRIVING SCHOOL

OCTOBER 18 - 21, 2021 • DAYS: 4

TRAINED INSTRUCTORS
COACHES PROVIDED
DRIVERS MANUAL

W/ HOOKUPS: 4
MEALS: 9
PROGRAM
SERVICE REP.: NO

PRICE:
1 in MH - \$620.00
2 in MH - \$825.00
Guest - \$620.00

Ladies, don't put this off any longer. We are now offering this class twice a year. This is a perfect opportunity to learn the ins and outs, and tricks of the trade of becoming a skilled motorhome driver. This program was designed especially for you!

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Places Worthy of Your Time

By Mike & Barbara Kenny
#16151



Editor's note: Because of their extensive travels and insightful recommendations, we had to divide their original submission into multiple articles that will appear in the next few issues of the magazine.

After a discussion with Russ and Susan Miller about places we have visited over the years, Russ asked if we would make a list that other people might be able to use as they venture along the highways. He may ask others to do the same with their favorite places. Listed here by state, are some of the places that come to mind as we look back. Our focus is on spots we stumbled across or learned about through discussions with other travelers, but a few well known spots have slipped in as well. We tried to keep the descriptions minimal, since you can Google for professional descriptions, maps and details when you are in the vicinity. To make sure, I just tried that on a few places - Berclair Mansion, Kemmerer, WY, Guernsey, WY, and Rudy's Guitar Shop. Google knows them all.

The **Canadian Maritimes**, which Club Activity & Tour Directors, John and Ellen McKee, introduced us to on the 2018 Maritimes Motorcade, deserves a standalone list that I hope someone will assemble. If you have an opportunity to make the Maritimes trip, just do it!

Texas – The Berclair Mansion in Berclair, near Beeville, is a 10,000 square foot concrete home that is open for tours the last Sunday of each month, with reservations. It is furnished with antique European furniture purchased by the original owner, Etta Terrell, during the depression. Of the many furnishings in the home, the three Singer sewing machines, one still in the wood crate, struck me as a symbol of life in the 1930's, even for the very wealthy. Brookshire has the Hemi Hideout which is too complex to describe so look it up. There is a \$10.00 admission, which is donated to a local charity. As you cross Texas from Texarkana to El Paso, look for signs for the Bankhead Highway - - the first "all weather" cross country highway authorized by Congress in 1916 which expands from Washington DC to San Diego, CA. I met a dentist from Sweetwater several years ago that told me part of the old highway is on his ranch near Baird and there is a T turn-out near the top of a hill. It was designed for cars to pull into so they could back the rest of the way up the hill, if the car, such as the Model T Ford, did not have enough power to make it in low gear. Senator John H. Bankhead was the sponsor of the bill. I believe he was the uncle of the famous actress, Tallulah Bankhead.

Washington State – Bainbridge Island is across the sound from Seattle, and an easy people ferry ride to the docks in Seattle. Poulsbo, north of Bainbridge, is a nice town, with Norwegian architecture. Lake Quinault Lodge is an old fashioned timber lodge, just off Highway 101 near the coast in Washington. Soap Lake has an RV park where, if you time your stay for a full moon, you can watch it rise through your windshield, over Soap Lake. And, about 50 miles away is Grand Coulee Dam. When we were there, a county bus stopped at the park, picked us up and drove us to Grand Coulee for a laser light show at the dam and then a late night drive back, all for a dollar. Spokane has the Davenport Hotel - a world class hotel well worth a visit. And, the view of the downtown area from the residential area on the hill above town is worth a look.

Oregon – Manzanita is a small beach resort village in a near perfect location (weather permitting) and you can walk from your RV site at Nehalem Bay State Park to the beach or up to the village of Manzanita. About 20 miles south at Garibaldi, fresh fish can be found on the pier. A few miles further south is Tillamook, where you can visit their cheese factory and a WW II airplane museum which is inside an old Blimp hangar. Oregon City (end of the Oregon Trail) has some good restaurants in the old downtown where you can also watch an impromptu classic car parade on weekend evenings. At Port Orford, you can walk out on a commercial fishing pier. We watched a Marine Biologist collect "otoliths" from randomly selected fish to determine age. That combined with weight/length information, is used to set future fishing limits.

Idaho – Lewiston sits about 2500 feet below US 95 when you

approach the city from the north. Clarkston, Washington is across the Snake River and both cities are at the confluence of the Clearwater and Snake Rivers. It is quite a view to look down on the two cities and the rivers. Lewis and Clark traveled down the Clearwater after an amazing and lucky crossing of the Rockies and this confluence was one of their camping spots while they decided which way to continue the journey. Moscow is a college town where we found beautiful spiral brick chimneys at the University of Idaho. US Highway 12 is a nice drive along the Clearwater River to LoLo Pass and on to Missoula, MT. Montpelier is home to one of the National Park Service wagon train museums on the Oregon Trail. It is worth the visit if you like that type of history. And, interesting to note, less than 20 years later one could just ride the train to California. Soda Springs - a wagon train stop for rest and viewing the mineral deposits left by hot springs. Bear Lake - big and beautiful blue water lake in the desert and annual meeting place of mountain men and Indian traders before the days of the wagon trains. If you go to Bear Lake, take a side trip down US 89 (a canyon drive between Garden City and Logan, Utah). It's a nice place for lunch. Blackfoot is home of the Potato Museum. Harvesting potatoes was a community affair before automation arrived and we were told schools still close a couple of weeks for harvest. Twin Falls has my favorite restaurant - Elevation 486. You sit 486 feet above the Snake River as it passes through the city golf course. Quite a view and there is no charge if you want to jump off the bridge!

Wyoming – Kemmerer is the place to see J C Penney's first store as well as his home next door. Nearby is Fossil Butte National Monument where fossils are still being uncovered. Lander is a very

nice town and a place from which you can drive out and view the wagon train trails. Use this as a home base to visit Thermopolis, Shoshoni (see the Drug Store/soda fountain there). Ice Slough is a stop along the Sweetwater River wagon train route where pioneers were able to dig up ice a foot or so below the surface in the summer. Guernsey is the place to see wagon train ruts and grooves worn 3 to 4 feet deep into sandstone. The wagons had to line up in single file to descend a mountain to the base of what became known as Register Cliff. Independence Rock and the Mormon Handcart Historic Site are just south of Casper. At the Handcart site, a few hundred kids from Salt Lake City were completing a 3 day orientation on Mormon frontier life when we were there. They were all dressed in period clothes and having their last lunch before boarding buses for home.

California – Crescent City is the place to learn about the 1964 tsunami that devastated the city after the big earthquake hit Anchorage. The Sea Cruise Classic Car show in October is fun and many other places to visit along Highway 101 progressing south such as Klamath River, the Red Wood forests, Arcata (we happened to be there in October when the sidewalk around the plaza was covered in multi colored chalk art, sponsored by local businesses). Stops in Eureka, Ferndale, Fort Bragg, and Mendocino before reaching the wine country are worth seeing.

Colorado – The Colorado School of Mines Gem Museum has a beautiful and diverse collection of rocks and minerals in all colors of the rainbow. It is in a campus building. A young mines student from Kentucky told us "many can be found in your backyard if you just look". Golden has Clear Creek RV

Park which is a good one if you can get Reservations. Also try Woody's pizza by the slice and the beer is good. Taylor Park has RV parking in terraced rows overlooking Taylor Park Reservoir and is near Taylor Park Trading Post where you can find a build your own omelet in assembly line fashion. Gateway is a team building type resort area with an excellent car museum that includes the Oldsmobile concept car created for the contest the Corvette ultimately won. The uranium for the first atomic bombs was mined in this area.

New Mexico – Santa Fe is one of our favorites, perhaps because we have friends that live there. We just find it an enjoyable place to be with low humidity as compared to Houston. If you like to shop for Indian turquoise and silver, try Ortegas on the Plaza. During Indian market days, they have a private party for customers, buyers and the designers they buy from, making an interesting blend of characters that show up. One of Barbara's college friends, Anne Forbes, lives in Taos and they sell her jewelry at Ortegas. The Plaza café next door is a good place to eat any time of day. A wall in the back is cut away so you can see the original adobe construction. Chama, near the Colorado state line, is HQ for the Cumbres & Toltec Scenic Railroad which is managed and run by volunteers dedicated to saving railroad history. It's an interesting operation even if you do not take a ride. Los Alamos' labs is off limits, but there are things to see in the city, including the museum on atomic bomb history. You can walk along Bathtub Row which is the location of the only 5 houses in Los Alamos with bathtubs during WW II.

To be continued.....

FRIENDS CHAPTER RALLY

CALIFORNIA

NOVEMBER 8 - 12, 2020

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Some of our planned activities include:

Historic Danish Village of Solvang
Wine Tasting - Santa Ynez Valley Wineries
Ostrich Land USA

Mendenhalls Museums of Gasoline Pumps and Petroliana
Nojoqui Falls - Easy Hike and Picnic

We will also assemble care packages for the Veterans
Hospitals to honor our Veterans on Veterans Day.

Rally Fees include:

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CHECKS PAYABLE TO:

Motorcade Club California Chapter
10480 Canyon Lake Drive
San Diego, CA 92131

RALLY FEES:

Cost to be Approximately
\$450.00

Finalized price in August

Registration Deadline: **TBD**



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FALL CHAPTER RALLY

CENTRAL PLAINS

OCTOBER 22 - 25, 2020

MERCEDES, TX • LLANO GRANDE RESORT & COUNTRY CLUB

Come join us for fun in the sun. We will guarantee you a good time, good food, and good fellowship. There are lots of things to do at our winter park. One of our planned events will be a Catamaran Sunset Dinner Cruise off of South Padre Island. Maybe we'll go early and take in a walk on the beach or the Sea Turtle Rescue. Bring your passports if you'd like to walk across the bridge to Progreso and shop for some cheap medicine, vanilla, jewelry, etc or get your teeth fixed (lol) or a pedicure. Some may want to take in the Don/Wes flea market where there's something for everyone. Lots of fresh fruit and produce. At the park, we have all sorts of activities: swimming, shuffleboard, tennis, pickleball, horseshoes, billiards and maybe a round of golf? (bring your clubs)

Please make your own reservations with Leeza. See working on a group rate for us. You can arrange to come early, stay an extra night depending when you need to arrive in Kerrville.

Leeza
4899 Holladay, Llano Grande Resort & Country Club
Mercedes, TX 78570 • Attn: Leeza 956.565.2638

Due to the Covid virus disruptions we haven't been able to finalize all plans or to get a total amount for the rally. Please contact us directly as soon as possible if you plan to be there. We will keep you updated and give you an amount when it's all finalized. And of course, if the Covid Virus causes another shut down, we will refund your money if we have to cancel.

For those going to Grandvention it is approximately 320 miles to Buckhorn Lake RV Resort in Kerrville which will be a drive of 4.5 to 5 hours.

Hope to see many of you in October. We welcome members from other chapters to join us. Stay Safe!

CHECKS PAYABLE TO:

Central Plains
Brenda Votz - Treasurer
5497 Chism Ln.
Elk City, KS 67344

RALLY FEES:

TBD

Registration Deadline: July 31, 2020

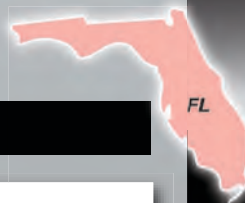


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FALL CHAPTER RALLY

FLORIDA



Randy & Karen Crete #18066
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DECEMBER 10 - 13, 2020

CRYSTAL RIVER, FL • ROCK CRUSHER CANYON RV RESORT

Rally and activities subject to CDC and Local Governmental COVID Guidelines

Registration for our Winter Rally will begin in October. About a month ago, you received an email outlining the activities on the first day of our rally. To pique your interest, here is the email outlining our rally's second day activities. Just to recap, our first day (Thursday) will treat us to an Italian dinner and a Yankee Swap gift exchange.

Friday dawns with a catered breakfast at the campground.

Our chartered motor coach will arrive at the campground to pick us up at 9:30a.m. for a full day of activities. We begin at the Plantation on Crystal River where we will embark on an Adventure Center Crystal River Cruise.

For lunch, we will dine at The Crab Plant, a Crystal River waterfront restaurant that services the Crystal River fishing fleet. Our group will have seafood and landlubber specials prepared just us.

After lunch we bus over to Crystal River Three Sisters Springs, part of the National Wildlife Refuge for a boardwalk stroll to the viewing platforms to observe the springs and native wildlife.

Our bus returns us to our campsite in time for cocktails and an "open" evening where attendees can explore the many fine restaurants in Crystal River or just eat at your campsite. A listing of restaurants and phone numbers will be included in your welcome packet.

..... White Elephant Holiday Gift Exchange
Scheduled after business meeting Friday evening following dinner.

Rock Crusher Canyon RV Resort
237 S Rock Crusher Rd
Crystal River, Florida

Cost: \$120/person excluding campsite and Advance Book events noted above.

CHECKS PAYABLE TO:
Motorcade Club Florida Chapter
Karen Crete
1841 Cockleshell Dr.
Sarasota, FL 34231

RALLY FEES:

\$120.00 / person

Registration Deadline: TBA

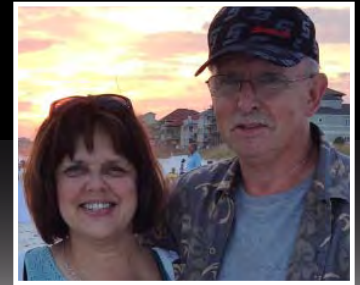


FALL JOINT CHAPTER RALLY

FLORIDA SOUTH CENTRAL



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JOHN & PAMELA MORZOS #17308
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OCTOBER 8 - 10, 2020

COTTONWOOD, AL • HIDDEN HOLLOW RV PARK

The RV park is located near Dothan, AL, known as the "Peanut Capital of the World".

Thursday night - Burgers & Brats & all the trimmings will be served, bring an appetizer, side dish or dessert to share

Friday - Tech Talk, Fall Crafts, E.R. Porter Hardware Museum tour, Scavenger Hunt for Wiregrass Murals in downtown Dothan, a visit to Folklore Brewing & Meadery with catered dinner

Saturday - Fort Rucker United States Army Aviation Museum, optional visit to Dothan Area Botanical Gardens, catered dinner at RV park, live entertainment

Sunday - South Central Chapter meeting following continental breakfast

Campsite fee separate

Hidden Hollow RV Park

11295 US-231
Cottonwood, AL 36320
(334) 316-9300

Each rally is subject to Covid conditions at the time of the rally and if held, all appropriate guidelines will be in effect.



CHECKS PAYABLE TO:

South Central Chapter
Lyn Whitaker, Treasurer
4464 Hawkins Road
Greer, SC 29651

RALLY FEES:

2 in MH \$200.00
1 in MH \$150.00
Guest \$115.00

Registration Deadline: **September 20, 2020**



FALL CHAPTER RALLY

GREAT LAKES



SEPTEMBER 15 - 18, 2020

SHIPSHEWANA, IN SHIPSHEWANA SOUTH CAMPGROUND

We hope you'll make plans to join us in the quaint city of Shipshewana for a fun and relaxing time during our fall rally.

The Shipshewana area is home to the third largest Amish community in the United States, for having the Midwest's largest flea market, and for its reputation of hand-crafted wares. Just a little warning – perhaps you should arrive with your bays empty! While we take advantage these novelties, we may find ourselves admiring what so many visitors love about the area which is just a simpler way of life.

The RV Hall of Fame is not far away and well worth the visit. Here among those recognized for their outstanding accomplishments, you will discover the photo and history of Foretravel founder, CM Fore.

Visit the flea market and locally owned stores. Stock up on homemade jams, jellies, pies or pretzels. Take a carriage ride through the countryside and bring your chair to relax around the campfire.

'Shipshe' as the locals call it, has only 670 residents but of the two million annual visitors, most wish they too could call it home. When you join us, you will see why.



CHECKS PAYABLE TO:
Foretravel Great Lakes Chapter
Karen Pontius
20169 5B RD
Plymouth, IN 46563

RALLY FEES:
Estimated Price
2 in MH \$100.00

Registration Deadline: **June 30, 2020**



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FALL CHAPTER RALLY

MID SOUTH



OCTOBER 22 - 25, 2020

Kerrville, Texas • BUCKHORN LAKE RV RESORT

We have reserved 60 sites for the Fall rally at Buckhorn, so make your plans and sign up. You will be making your reservations at the park, so let them know you are attending the MidSouth Foretravel Rally to get the \$40 per night rate.

We will visit The Y.O. Exotic Game Ranch in Mountain Home Texas (about 15 miles from the Park) for a photo safari and meet the Animals. A BBQ lunch will be served.

There are many other attractions and places to visit in and around Kerrville that you will be able to take advantage of.

Cancelled

Buckhorn Lake RV Resort
2885 Goat Creek Rd.
Kerrville, TX 78028
830.895.0007 • www.buckhornlake.com

CHECKS PAYABLE TO:
Foretravel Motorcade Mid-South Chapter
Harvey Nelson, Treasurer
109 Wild Plum Circle
Georgetown, TX 78633

RALLY FEES:

2 in MH \$350.00
1 in MH \$255.00
Guest \$125.00

Registration Deadline: **September 26, 2020**



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CARL & JOANNA MOODY #17873
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Hello friends, greetings everyone! It has certainly been a "different" year as we all navigate and adjust to the challenges this year has delivered. We are hoping that everyone is safe & healthy! We are traveling this year, though not nearly as far as we had hoped, enjoying the beautiful & cool Maine coast. The Motorcader Magazine editor has asked my husband, Jeff and I to contribute a story focusing on a member of our Club, who will share thoughts on life, travels, coach experiences and "Foretravel Fellowship". This article is about a great couple, who soon will be Arizona residents, Pat & Bruce Olson.

Kristen's Corner



My "Corner" is dedicated to introducing fellow Foretravel Rv'ers who enjoys the many aspects of being members of the Foretravel Motorcade Club. I have chosen to interview Pat & Bruce Olson. Being long-time members, no doubt these folks are well known by many in the Club. I felt their overwhelming confidence and enthusiasm flow as they talked about life, family, plus the friendships created via the Motorcade Club. Their home base is Churchville, NY as well as, a seasonal site in Florida, traveling about eight months a year. They met in the 8th grade, attended college together and married soon after graduation. With three sons and several grandchildren, they are approaching their 50th Wedding Anniversary this year. Congratulations on this milestone Pat & Bruce!



Kristen:

Pat & Bruce, how did you begin this means of travel and RV lifestyle?

Pat / Bruce:

As a kid, Bruce "camped" in tents and air mattress, etc.. Then, we both got into camping and sailing. I (Bruce) was in sales and had always driven many, many miles for my business. I love driving and we both love the natural beauty of the country. We thought, getting

into a motorhome would be a nice addition. We ventured down to Lazy Days in Florida, met with a salesman who used to work in the Foretravel factory as a kid and later, sold for them. He mentioned a used Nimbus was coming in. He was extremely excited about this Foretravel coming into the dealership. He went on-and-on about this coach. So much so that we questioned who was buying the RV, this guy, or us? Knowing nothing about the brand, we went home, did our research and purchased our 36' Nimbus ten days later! In 2014, we upgraded to a 40', 2007 model, because Bruce being 6'6", needed the extra headroom that the 2007 offered. It's a lifestyle we both enjoy, plus we are introducing our grandkids to the RV lifestyle.

Kristen:

What experiences has being a Motorcade Club member provided you?

Pat / Bruce:

Buying a Foretravel,

we of course by karma or whatever, met the "Foretravel family", which has been an absolutely amazing experience. We went on the Alaska Motorcade which was our first event. It was fantastic. We met a great circle of friends and personally found the experience, fellowship, and comradery to our enjoyment. It's a unique club. You see a Foretravel on the road and you get excited! Everyone helps one another. The forums are great too. Members are similarly minded people, like boaters. We really enjoy spending time with people who enjoy this lifestyle. Everyone just rolls with the punches. We have attended Rally's, Grandventions & Motorcades. The Cub causes us to do things that we would not have done or planned. It's opened our eyes. For the Kentucky Derby or the Alaskan Motorcade, having the comfort knowing the last coach (traveling with us) is the guy with the knowledge to fix these coaches if they break. The friendships created last long. It's one of the reasons we are moving to Arizona this year to be in a community with friends we've met as Foretravel owners.

Kristen:

Very interesting

observations. Are there any moments that really stand out?

Pat / Bruce:

With our Motorcade experiences, Alaska was just moving. The beauty and comradery was spectacular. Some places we stopped brought tears to my eyes. I remember stopping in Canada heading north, seeing another Foretravel. The folks were not there, so we left our card in their door with a note on the back saying, "see you in Alaska" just assuming. It was an unmistakable beautiful Foretravel coach with a southwest motif painted on it. Well, later that day we were stranded on the side of the road, with ice fields on either side. Overheated brakes! Then, that coach with the southwest motif, (Brett & Ann) just passed us by. They stopped of course. He knew everything about a Foretravel and helped us out. We've been longtime friends ever since and one of the reasons why we are moving to AZ.

Kristen:

Fantastic. So, now as newly appointed Activity & Tour Directors for the Club, what are your thoughts?

Pat / Bruce:

We had joined the

Florida Chapter, started doing Motorcades, understood the amount of work that goes into these events and felt maybe we wouldn't mind giving back a little bit more. First thought, PANIC!

Our concern, living up to the quality of trips we've been on, carrying the flag high enough! We are just getting started, it's been a difficult year for planning, researching, scouting and leading events. We are looking at new Motorcades. We want to find unique & exciting things to do for everyone with variety. We hope that as an organization with lots of members, that we can help encourage greater participation in events. We are very impressed by the new relationships that Foretravel and Lyle have started. It will help our brand and the Club.

Kristen:

Thank you both for sharing, being members and taking on this mission for all of us in this great Club. We all agree that the friendships created as a result of this Club are something special. Your confidence is uplifting. We are very excited to hear more about some of the great adventures you are planning! We can't wait to meet you folks!

All the best, KL

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NATIONAL PARKS



CHAPTER

Reports

CALIFORNIA

Here we are, over half way through 2020, with little new to report. Expect this to change soon and for the better.

Our Spring 2020 rolling rally (Micro-Minicaide) was unfortunately canceled due to closures and COVID-19 safety concerns. Gone, but not forgotten. We moved it to late April of next year. We will start in Arizona's Verde Valley and finish up in Williams, just 80 miles distant. As the time approaches, we will plan a full schedule of fun things to do, mixed with time together and meals with our friends, both old and new. Depending on availability and closures, we will be looking into a Sedona Trolley Tour, Arizona Copper Art Museum, Montezuma Castle and historic Jerome. In Williams, we will get "our Kicks on Route 66!" Some of our activities may include the Grand Canyon Railway, Bearizona, Planes of Fame, museums, and of course the South Rim of the Grand Canyon.

Our Fall Rally in Buellton, November 8-12, 2020 is on track. We will be staying at Flying Flags RV Park, close to Solvang, Lompoc, and Santa Barbara. Much of the planning will be last minute due to the fluid nature of closures this year. We will be looking into wineries, breweries, missions, a casino, and of course Solvang. I wish to thank California members, Steve and Lori Faries for checking out the area for us recently. Details will be e-mailed and post on Facebook in early September. Everything looks good for a great time.

Stay safe and healthy, see you soon;
Tom Lang, President

CENTRAL PLAINS

I hope all our members are staying safe. We were all sad to have to cancel the trip to Grand Lake, Oklahoma in June. The Covid-19 has affected everyone in one way or another. We were looking forward to spending time with Bob and Debby Best in Texas right before the Grandvention. My employment is preventing Clinton and I from attending this year. I hope Corona is under control by then and everyone can safely gather and have a great time with friends.

We have enjoyed getting positive updates from President Russ. Sounds like they have been able to make some small group social distanced meetings! Foretravel Motorcade is strong and has some great things planned. Stay Positive!

See you down the road soon!
Brenda Volz, Secretary

FLORIDA

The Florida Chapter continues to increase our membership. We are planning for a joint rally with South Central in October in Cottonwood, AL and our Christmas Rally in Crystal River, FL. Our rally for this past April was cancelled due to COVID-19. Since Florida is a hot spot for COVID-19 and the number of cases continue to rise, it is becoming more apparent that both the joint rally and December rally could possibly be cancelled. I have four friends as of this writing that have contracted COVID-19 virus in July. Two have recovered, one is out of the hospital but on oxygen (age 68) and the other is still hospitalized. We had hoped this virus would slow down so we can get back to having fun, traveling, and meeting with our Motorcade friends, but no such luck. The requirement to wear a face mask and maintained the 6 ft social distancing puts a damper on a group getting together even for a business meeting let alone for meals, games, entertainment and tours. Many attractions are either closed or have restrictions on numbers of people. Campgrounds, although are open, not all of the amenities are available to include the clubhouse for social gatherings. The chapter is also planning a spring rally in April, but with the unknown about vaccines being available and effective as of this writing, it is hard to say what will happen. It is our main concern for the health and safety of all our members and we are hopefully this will pass and we can get back to our normal travels, rallies and celebrations.

Looking forward to seeing you down the road.
Connie Pool, President

FOUR CORNERS

No Report Submitted

CHAPTER

Reports continued

GREAT LAKES

Hello from the Great Lakes Chapter. Here we are in the middle of July and this is the craziest year I've ever seen. In June we put together an informal get-together in Warsaw IN and had 8 coaches in attendance. Eddie and Louise Creighton allowed us to dry camp on their property. We practiced our social distancing and everyone had a good time doing nothing but visiting with one another. Jim Higginbotham worked on honing his skills by smoking a pork shoulder that was supplied by Jack Hobbs. Everyone enjoyed a pot luck dinner. Point of interest: Jim & Genise Higginbotham along with Jack Hobbs and Rosemary Reasner are hosting the Fall Rally in Shipshewana. There has been a rumor that there may be a pork shoulder or two at the carry-in dinner on the first evening of the rally, Sept 15th.

I don't want to go into everything that has been going on the last 5 months, but I do want to say I'm looking forward to the coming months.

Our chapter Fall Rally is coming up September 15th-18th in Shipshewana Indiana. We have 15 members registered at this time and still hoping to have more members join us. If you haven't met Russ & Susan Miller, Motorcade Club International President and First Lady, this is your chance. They will be attending. There are many things to do and see around the area. We will be having an Amish dinner 1 evening of the rally.

As of this writing our chapter does not have any rallies planned for 2021, but I'm sure we will have plans in place before we leave Shipshewana.

Karen and I are looking forward to seeing everyone at the GrandVention. Until then be safe.

Larry Pontius, President

MID ATLANTIC

Hello Foretravel Motorcade Club and Mid Atlantic Chapter Members,

As I write this, we are quickly nearing the end of summer and Covid-19 virus is still out there running uncontrolled causing political havoc along with enormous confusion to our medical and scientific experts on the principal way for everyone to live their lives. We all know, due to this horrible Chinese virus, we have been unable to meet up with many of our Foretravel friends because the Motorcade Club and area chapters have cancelled most of this year's events. It has been suggested that we try getting together in small local groups, dry camping or at a members locale in a nearby area. However, many of our officers are still reluctant for this form of meet-up because of possible virus consequences.

Getting out and traveling safely in our Foretravel Motorhomes is paramount to be able to lessen the darkness of dealing with this horrible disease! One stop this fall will be for Club members to attend the Foretravel Motorcade Club Texas Grandvention in Kerrville October 27 – 30, 2020! Members who attend this Western Theme event will enjoy seeing longtime Foretravel friends plus administrator Beverly has lined up multiple vendors who will be available to work on your coach onsite, answer questions and set up immediate appointments in Nacogdoches for repairs!

Normally at our Fall Rally the Mid Atlantic Chapter holds Chapter Elections to elect next year's officers plus make sure we have Spring and Fall Rally hosts for the upcoming year; therefore, I am currently investigating the possibility of a virtual Mid Atlantic Chapter Meeting in the month of November, which I will notify everyone by email and postal mail of the day and time of the event. At this meeting, we will discuss and name members to host our Spring and Fall rallies plus elect a complete slate of Chapter Officers, President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, everyone is asked and encouraged to participate in this meeting. The Mid Atlantic treasury is in sound condition.

Anthony "Tony" Pasquale, 16577, President

MID SOUTH

This year has been a test to many of us who travel the country. With the Covid-19 virus so many challenges yet we continue to enjoy our coaches. Social distancing has enabled us to continue to travel to visit friends and see new places. Our Spring rally was cancelled, but a few of us met and shared fellowship, laughter and great food in Natchitoches, LA. Several small groups have gathered in Kerrville, TX and Galveston, TX.

We look forward to our Fall rally on October 22, 2020 at Buckhorn Lake RV Resort in Kerrville, TX with wagon masters Bill and Barbara Robinson and Carl and Joanna Moody. The four have put together a very exciting few days with fun, food and good times planned. So, make your plans to attend then stay for the Grandvention following our rally.

Kerrville, TX • Y. O. Ranch

Looking forward to seeing everyone in the near future. Safe travels on your journey.

Clifford Hughes #17011, President



SOUTH CENTRAL

Hello to all Motorcade members from the South Central Chapter. To start, I hope this finds all of you well during these unusual times. I would like to thank the South Central members for their willingness to step up and host rallies. Although our spring rally was cancelled, not to be out done by this virus, Steve and Carol Crook have signed up to host our spring 2021 rally at their Hightower Falls venue. More info with the dates will be announced soon. I recommend you sign up early as space is limited. For those who have never been there, you will leave wondering how this is not a state park.

Now that summer is here and things are opening back up, we are all looking forward to getting back on the road. So I hope this finds everyone finished with their pre-trip inspections, coaches packed, and on the road headed for good times and new adventures.

We have gained several new members this year and hope they all will be able to attend our fall rally which will be a joint rally with the Florida chapter. Our wagon-masters, Tom and Linda West and John and Pamela Morzos, are working hard planning a great rally. These joint rallies are always a lot fun, having the opportunity to catch up with members you may not have seen in some time. The rally will be held in Cottonwood Al., at Hidden Hollow RV park, on Oct. 8-10. Please see the ad in this edition of the Motorcader.

I hope all South Central members will make plans on attending the Grandvention this year in Kerrville, Tx. This is another opportunity to renew friendships with fellow Foretravel owners, and have an opportunity to speak with vendors concerning possible upgrades, repairs, and also to learn more about Motorcade trips available to members. We have not held the award for highest chapter attendance in a few years and I think it would be good to claim that honor again this year!

Safe travels to all,
Jerry Moon, President

NORTHWEST

Hello from the Northwest chapter. We had a wonderful visit with our International President & First Lady, Russ & Susan Miller several weeks ago. I believe he met his match. I think I can out-talk him and from what I understand, that isn't easy to do. We did discuss our goals to get the Northwest chapter active again. I appreciate their enthusiasm and willingness to help. Our first rally will be for the July 4th holiday here on our farm. Among several things we will do, Melba has a remarkable fireworks show that I know everyone will enjoy. Mark your calendars now and plan to come to Idaho for a great Fourth of July celebration with the Northwest chapter.

Trina De Winkle, President

NORTH ATLANTIC

What a strange year it has been for all of us. Travel has not been on most of our agendas for much too long. I am sure we are all anxious to get going again. Since our chapter will not have a rally in 2020, we have no new activity to report.

Once we all get back on the road, you may be looking for new places to explore. Here is a list of locations you may enjoy in our area. Our chapter has had rallies at these areas. For our members who are newbies to Foretravel, the list may give you some ideas on where future rallies might be held.

The list is in no particular order.

Lawrence County, PA - We had some wonderful rallies at the fairgrounds there. Our distinguished members Don and Vivian Wilson were instrumental in establishing the faculty. We always had a fun time there. It is in a beautiful area with a large Amish population and less than 2 hours from the exciting city of Pittsburgh.

Herkimer, NY - The Herkimer KOA is a great place to stay. They have their own diamond mine to explore for gems. It is a short trip from there to Cooperstown to tour the Baseball Hall of Fame.

Boothbay, ME - You can get your fill of lobster here. The area has beautiful scenery near the harbor and the best lobster rolls at Red's in Wiscasset.

Newburgh, NY - This is a great location in the Hudson River Valley of the state. You can visit the Culinary Institute of America, West Point, and many charming little towns from here. If you want to see New York City, it is almost in the neighborhood.

Lancaster, PA - Home of a large Amish population, great shopping, and fabulous food. Also, close to the Harley Davidson Factory and Turkey Hill Ice Cream Experience. You can make your own flavor and eat all the ice cream you desire.

Hershey, PA - An area of coasters, gardens, and chocolates.

Mystic, CT - Home of beautiful scenery and Mystic Seaport. Also seek out Mystic Pizza.

Finger Lakes Region, NY - There's a lot to see and do in this area. Visit Watkins Glen, Hammondsport, Corning and Bath. There are wineries galore. Also in Upstate New York, stop at Lake George and Saranac Lake.

Essex Junction, VT - Home of Ben and Jerry's ice cream and Vermont Teddy Bear Company.

Cape Cod, MA - You will fall in love with Cape Cod. You will find lots of activities, great whale watching, charming towns, and excellent food.

This is not a complete list, but you can see there's a lot to do and see in the North Atlantic region. Of course, the very best part of attending rallies is catching up with old friends, meeting new Foretravel owners, and sharing RV experiences. You can do that anywhere with any number of coaches. All you need are people to do some planning whether it be an extremely casual and unstructured event or a rally with a full schedule of activities.

We hope to be holding a virtual meeting of our members soon to discuss what activities they would like to have. We are hoping to pass the NAC banner of leadership to some of our newer and younger members so they can enjoy the camaraderie and fellowship some of us have experienced for over 20 years in the club.

Marlene Wildenstein, Secretary



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