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Chpt. 15 New Banner



Rally Dates Chapter 15

Fall Rally

Nov. 12 - 15, 2009

Escapes Sumter Oaks
RV Park,
Bushnell, FL

Spring Rally

Feb. 7 - 11 2009

Little Willies RV
Resort
Arcadia, FL

Multi-Chapter April 30 - May 3 2010

Tom Johnson
Rally Park
Marion, NC.

Letter from the President

Hi everyone. Time sure flies; here it is time for another copy of the Juicer. We missed the Spring Rally due to my surgery, and that was one we had been looking forward to all year. I have been recuperating and doing well. As it takes a while to get back to full speed. After 3 month I was allowed to start driving again. After getting some of my strength back, it was time to start traveling. We left Florida the middle of April and headed north. We spent several days in Lake City at John Palmer's, where we linked up with Larry and Marilyn Forbes. We left John's and went to the Chapter 16 Rally at Unadilla, Ga. We joined this Chapter several years ago and I am glad to see the Chapter is growing

After the Chapter 16 Rally, we went to Fayetteville, Ga. to visit with our son Fred and family. When we left Fayetteville, we traveled to Scottsboro, Ala., where we spent several days checking out the Unclaimed Luggage store. It is unreal what people lose.

Following Scottsboro, we stopped at the Air and Space museum in Huntsville. We spent most of the day in the rain, but the museum is worth the effort. We left there and continued West to the Natchez Trace, on which we traveled about 150 miles to Nashville, Tn. and turned West on I-40. We next stopped at the Chapter 42 Rally at Reelfoot State Park at Tiptonville, TN. This Chapter put on a nice Rally.

Again we headed West to the Escapade at Sedalia, Mo. Larry Forbes and I picked up our new chapter banner from Too Crazy Ladies. It looks nice. Joe and Nancy Liston were our reps on the Row. The Escapade was nice, I don't think it was as big as other years, but it sure was nice seeing old friends and making new ones.

I just looked at the picture of us with new banner and I just figured I should bring you all up to date on our latest adventures. While we were at our son's, Jane stepped on one of the dogs toys and broke a bone in her right foot. She is in a walking cast. As you will see in the picture my right arm is in a sling. On the 19th I was walking around the fairground, and fell and broke my right elbow. The doctor told me that he had bad news and good news. The bad news was that it was broken, the good they didn't have to operate and fix it. I have to use the sling for 3 or 4 weeks and it will be fine.

Multi- Chapter Rally For Eastern Chapters

Updates from President Bryan Rose

We are working on getting tours set up. The plans are in the raw stages yet, however, we now have a Website for the rally.

<http://sites.google.com/site/rallyinfosite/>

The Webmaster Stan Bober will update it as we get more information

Notes from our VCR's Susie & Denny Orr Email

Hi Folks! We enjoyed having Florida Sunseekers Chapter #15 on The Row at Sedalia, MO Escapade represented by Joe & Nancy Liston We know Nancy was in the booth and not always out playing. The Row was a great success -especially being inside with several rainy days. All of the groups chapters - c-bofs - and co-ops had lots of visitors playing BINGO and we hope many of those visitors came back to learn more about the groups.

Enjoy your upcoming rallies - welcome all visitors - and then enjoy your traveling adventures.

SKP Hugs ~ Susie & Denny Orr

Note from Jean & Mike Upcoming Sumter Oaks Rally Thu.Nov.12, Fri.13 & Sat.14

Don't hitch-up if you attend the CH 27 rally. Sign in & register for more old fashioned fun.

- THU-President's Welcome Dinner.
- FRI-Carolyn's Famous Chicken.
- SAT-Barbeque.
- All 3 days - games, socials, trips, CARE fund raiser, crafts.

During CH 27 rally on 11-11- at 11:00am there is a very moving Veteran's Day Service at National Cemetery. Please plan on joining us.

A great rally depends on you!
Hosted by Jean & Mike Pertick and
Pete & Dixie Peterson.

Escapade Report

By Vice President
Marsha Burmeister



Nothing could rain on the parade of people that visited our booth "On The Row." Being inside was wonderful. Other inside venues included a very nice variety of vendors. Roadmaster was there; I noted this especially because they inspected my tow set up and left me a nice "report card" saying that all was well and they had lubricated it for me. There were plenty of microfibers in all shapes, sizes, colors, and applications. From jewelry to rugs to disinfectant, it was a nice indoor shopping experience. Hospitality abounded via Chapters, BOFs and "Hospitality Central," all indoors.

There were many opportunities to attend seminars. There were a lot of topics from learning how to tow that "toad," being safe on the road, understanding the RV electric system and more. Attendance was good at these indoor sessions as well as at the crafting. Crafts included beading, one-stroke painting, Dutch embroidery, quilting, tatting, and making a sun catcher (and other projects). All were popular. The Pet Parade was fun, too; it was one of the few outside activities.

There was a crowd every night for great entertainment including an "oldies" band, a family singing group, and, of course, the traditional Ham-O-Rama. I enjoyed every evening and was proud to represent Chapter 15 by playing my bowed psaltery in the 'Rama. George Spahn won a nice door prize.

I know you caught the "rain theme." There sure was a lot of mud in Sedalia, but it didn't keep us from having lots of fun and fellowship! On to Goshen September 2010!



**Travel Notes from
Lynn & Becky Lunde**

Our summer of excitement began as we left Florida April 25th. It took about 5 ½ weeks to travel north, basically following the I-95 route, to reach Acadia National Park in Maine. We have visited here before, but it is such a lovely park, it was nice to see it again all in bloom with spring flowers. And of course we couldn't pass up all those lobster pots and restaurants, along the way. On June 7th, we entered Atlantic time as we drove into St. Stephens, New Brunswick, Canada for our 3-month excursion of the Canadian Maritime Provinces. Our first stay was at New River Beach Provincial Park. To our surprise another couple pulled in that we know from Florida! It is a small world! While in the area, we visited the Fairmont Algonquin Hotel and Kingsbrae Gardens in St. Andrews, and saw our first waterfall of the summer in St. George. Our campsites have been along the ocean, a route referred to as the Fundy Trail. Along the trail we have seen waterfalls, walked a suspension bridge and driven the car on a 16% grade.

It is fascinating to see boats in the harbor with water under them during high tide, and just a few hours later the boats are on dry land with a "crib" which prevents them from falling over.

The extreme high and low tides are actually caused by a gravitational pull of the moon and sun combined with the unusual shape of the bay to produce the highest tides in the world. The tides range from 32 to 46 ft. between low and high tides.

The national park had waterfalls, covered bridges, lighthouses, and beautiful views. Another great area to see the tides was at Hopewell Rocks. We actually walked the ocean floor to view the towering cliffs.

A few hours later, when we were safe above, the tide came in, and filled the area with water. (But forgot to take a picture)

Next we were off to Shediac, New Brunswick to see the World's Largest Lobster, a 55 ton statue for this lobster capital city.



Did You Know

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- 64 Finland
- 76 Switzerland and Lienchtenstein
- 471 Taiwan
- 480 Philippines
- 628 SaudiArabien
- 629 United Arab Emirates
- 690 - 695 China
- 740 - 745 Central America

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