



September Newsletter

Well, here it is September already and I'm looking forward to welcoming some cooler weather. We are still in a quandary with the Covid situation. Though we could camp and socially distance in an RV, that kind of defeats the purpose of going camping. We are also in a lockdown situation in our community and many of the amenities are not available or under strict guidelines as to when you can use them, the length of time you can be there as well as the amount of people who can be at the facility.

On a lighter note I contacted the Village Breeze (Doug Gibson's idea) and asked if they would write an article about the RV Wheelers. They said yes and asked me to submit the article along with some photos. I have until September 4th to submit my final draft with photos. I've had a great time looking over all the photos.

Several months ago I visited the Historical Society building next to our library and looked through the club history we have stored in boxes and binders and will submit some photos I found to the Village Breeze as well.

For our new members, the Historical Society in our community preserves the history of any club who wishes to house that information in their building. The building is kept at a certain temperature in order to extend the life of all the club's stored material. Our club has a few boxes and several photo binders. I found roster booklets dating back to 1968, two years after the club was formed.

Recently you were contacted by Roslyn Ginnis who came up with a great suggestion. She asked if club members would submit a short bio and photos. Basically a short introduction as to who you are and some interesting facts about you or about you and your spouse. In turn I'll attach some of them each month to the newsletter. That way new club members can introduce themselves to the rest of the club. In turn other members of the club can share their information thus providing a means of communication with each other as well as the new members. Maybe some of us will find something out about you we previously didn't know. So let's get started on those bios...

Mark Tate
RV Wheeler President

MEET YOUR FELLOW RV WHEELERS

Since we can't meet together in person for a while longer, each issue of the newsletter will now contain a section highlighting our awesome members! Some you know, and some you don't! If you enjoy these stories, consider sending me yours next time!



NEW MEMBERS

Hello RV Wheelers!

We hoped we might introduce ourselves in person, but Covid has changed our plans. We're Scott & Patty, new residents of LWV and new members of the club. We've done many short trips in California and are huge fans of Newport Dunes. We camped at Newport Dunes for a month while we closed on our manor last April. We're members of the Wally Byam Caravan Club International (WBCCI) and are affiliates with both the NorCal chapter in San Francisco and the South Coast chapter here in Orange County. From December 2019 to August 2020 we took a tour of the USA (all the way to Wells Beach, Maine for the 4th of July) and each visited our 50th state! Pro-tip - Save North Dakota for your last state to visit as they have a "Save the Best for Last" club if you enter on the Fargo side.... Go up to the information desk at the welcome center and say, "I've saved the best for last!" You get a standing ovation, a free T-Shirt, a song and a photo in front of the "chipper" they post to social media for the world to see. Patty's last state was Montana and all she got was a paper map.... boooooo.

We plan to pull from Laguna Woods out to Key West between mid-November and the New Year and then wander back to West

Coast over the next several months. Of course, all plans are Covid dependent now. Look for us on the road, our rig is obvious! We share a couple of photos from our cross-country romp.

Open roads, kind fires.

Scott & Patty (or "Salt" & "Pepper" just like our hair, if that's easier to remember after a couple of pints).





We are **Jack & Linda Dunnigan** (Manor: 63-C). We lived aboard sailboat cruisers for about 10 years, and for the last 5 years we have split our time between the boat (winter in Florida and the Bahamas), and our Class B camper van (summers). We actually lived on the road in the van for about a year when we were in between boats. Last year we moved on from the cruising life, and have had our Laguna Woods manor since -- well, since just before the pandemic. We were able to attend a few RV Wheelers events just before the shutdown. We have been back and forth across the country three times in the van, and are looking forward to western camping. And maybe a return trip up the Alaska Highway, which we did 30+ years ago.



Greetings RV Wheelers,

Todd and Cindy Rapp are new to the club. We have been living in Laguna Woods for 4 years and owners for a year. We will be celebrating our 38th wedding anniversary this December. Cindy is originally from Southern California and Todd is from Ohio, we met here in California. Camping was one of our favorite weekend adventures while we raised our two sons in Colorado. Most of our favorite camping sites are in the Colorado area, we are still exploring camping in So Cal.

We recently purchased a travel trailer and soon found out that Todd's current truck needed more power to pull it up the hills without overheating, this led to the purchase of a new truck, which made Todd very happy, since his older truck had 535K miles on it. We can't wait to start meeting other RV Wheelers once COVID-19 settles down!



LOVE OUR “SEASONED” WHEELERS



When we moved here in 2013 one of the first things that had attracted us was the active lifestyle and the many clubs that would be available to us. Because we have an RV and have enjoyed being in RV clubs, the RV Wheelers was one of the first clubs that we joined. There were many things we liked at our first meeting: friendly members, an interesting topic relevant to RV traveling and the promise of fun RV trips on the calendar. Our first adventure with the club was to Chula Vista, which was new to us. After that was the holiday party in December that everyone talked about and looked forward to attending. We also travel out of the area but when home try to make RV Wheeler rallies. Lots of fun.

We have found the club to be friendly and inclusive, a great way to meet new friends. We like the way that members who no longer have their RVs still are included and often rent cabins to be with us on our trips. When we count our Laguna Woods blessings, we count our membership in RV Wheelers as one of them.

Bob and Dottie Poole



Bob and I moved from Las Vegas 7 years ago and love living in Laguna Woods. We have always loved to camp but just began doing it in a class C RV 4 years ago. When we travel we do most of our exploring and sightseeing on our electric bikes, which was our only means during our 5 week Northwest journey in 2018. And while we enjoy camping along the beautiful California coastline we really enjoy the serenity of the mountain areas, especially if there is a nice lake for kayaking or to throw in a fishing line. We are social at heart and really miss our club campouts which we can hopefully do in the near future.

Julie & Bob Mangino



X-Mas @ Chula Vista

RV Wheelers @ Lake Skinner



Bunny Quartararo



So where to begin? I'm a native Californian, born in Orange, CA, on Easter Sunday, hence the name 'Bunny'. I'm the youngest of three (two older brothers). Began swimming at age three and competing in Synchronized Swimming at the age of 7, traveling across the United States and Europe. I retired at the ripe old age of 18 and went on to perform in a professional 'swim' show in Gatlinburg Tennessee, followed by coaching my own Synchro Team in Anaheim, CA. I attended a local college and majored in Child Development and went on to begin my career as a swim instructor. In 1977, I married my childhood sweetheart. Although we had been apart for more than 15 years, I knew when I was ten that I would marry him one day. Together we raised three girls, Sarah, Katie and Charlotte. Mike's career covered cross country truck driving, computer programming and limo driver. While he pursued his many career choices I went on to spend the next 30 years at UC Irvine School of Medicine, working in Compliance and I continued to teach swimming.

Michael passed away in 2003 and I know that he is now my co-pilot. After I retired in 2017, I knew it was time to look at the RV I had been dreaming about. In 2018 I purchased a Thor Chateau 28ft in Oklahoma and drove here to California. I believe I joined the RV Wheelers even before I had the RV in my possession! I have grown to love the Wheelers and the many campouts I have attended. I was also embraced by the WOW (Women on Wheels) and have enjoyed our many events and friendships.

I know I'm still learning and there is so much to grasp. I value all of the 'Wheelers' that have come along side of me, helped me back in, level the RV, provided me with valuable information and shared a glass of wine with me. 😊 I look forward to many more adventures with the Laguna Woods RV Wheelers.



John and May Gee own a Pleasureway 21 footer class b motorhome which has been seized by my son Daryl during the pandemic. We have been residents since 2012. Both of us grew up in So. Central Los Angeles and lived in the West San Gabriel Valley from 1976 to 2012. We have been inmates of Laguna Woods by accident, as we needed to be near Huntington Beach to babysit our grandchildren. Driving down from Los Angeles to babysit so our son and wife could work involved getting down to his house by 6:30 am so 50 miles one way was not good. We have been members of the RV Wheelers since 2016.

In our misspent youth my wife worked in aerospace and I worked for Los Angeles County. We enjoy our accidental finding of Laguna Woods. We look forward to reclaiming our RV in the near future for some trips, and for RV Wheeler rallies.



More of Bunny's Pics



Quality New / Gently Used RV Items for Sale

We sold our trailer January, 2020 and do not need the following items in our NEW trailer! Please call Roslyn for more details (818)620-5019.

Power Dual Wall Hugger Recliners - \$800

New Purchase Price \$1,419 (See below) Super comfortable;
We bought new 10/2018 - Used only on RV trips over 15 months



New Complete Roof Vent Kit with Ceiling Garnish - \$45

14" x 14" - Vent Cover Color: Smoke



New Queen (60" x 80") High Density Foam Mattress - \$85

Encased in Zippered Cover - Mattress is VERY FIRM
The 60" x 80" queen bed came with our new trailer - which we made into a king!



New Replacement Vent Covers - \$10 each

Clear - To fit 14" x 14" Old Style Ventline Rounded

