



January 2018 - Website: RVWheelers.com

2018 Meetings & Rallies

- Jan. 11 Regular Meeting
6:30 CH 6
See attached flyer**
- Jan. 17-24 Quartzsite Rally**
- Feb. 8 Soup & Salad Potluck
6:00 CH 6**

We have a few ideas for camping this year, but need your input and help. How about it? Will you host a rally next year? You can pick the place and plan as much or as little as you choose.

**CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE AT
rvwheelers.com**

**Please send in your reservations and
check for our Christmas dinner party!**

HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO EVERYONE!

Dee is on an extended trip to warm Alaska. She will return for the February newsletter.

Don't forget our first meeting of the year on January 11 with a special topic of Rving with disabilities presented by Luanna Rugh. As we're all getting older it's important topic with some great ideas.

Our outing in January is an annual favorite, Quartzite AZ for the big show. Some of our members are boondocking and others are getting a space in a local RV park. Check the flyer in the newsletter.

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Sunshine	Carol LaPierre		



It is with a great deal of sadness that we announce that long time Wheeler member Leon Ennis passed away quietly in his sleep on December 27. There will be no services per Leon's wishes, and his family requests no flowers, calls, emails, or cards at this time, please. In lieu, a donation to the American Cancer Association in his name.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Birthdays

Jan. 1 Anne Higa
Jan. 2 Dee Anne Piccinati
Jan. 2 Judy Okonski
Jan. 2 Loyde Stewart
Jan. 3 Dottie Poole
Jan. 4 Bob Lepley
Jan. 9 Maxx Kimura
Jan. 12 Carla Melrose
Jan. 12 John Huber
Jan. 14 Linda Huber
Jan. 18 Frank Van Wickle
Jan. 20 Lucia McBride
Jan. 22 Debbie Sonderman
Jan. 23 Suanne Conran
Jan. 26 Betty Rawitch
Jan. 26 Sam Higa
Jan. 31 Tammy Curtis

Anniversaries

Lepley, Bob & Judy (34 Years)
Higa, Sam & Anne (26 Years)
Lester, Val & Ann (54 Years)

Change of Address



Holiday Dinner



More photos are available on our website: RVWheelers.com



RV WHEELERS

OF LAGUNA WOODS VILLAGE PRESENTS

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Presented by LUANNA RUGH

Luanna and Len Rugh were married in February 1967. Len's being drafted during the Vietnam war and subsequently wounded caused their lives to change dramatically. Luanna and her husband Len are the authors of Promises Kept, the story of their incredible journey. Part of their journey included many years of RV travel all over North America in spite of many physical challenges.



Come hear the story of a courageous, exceptional couple who have overcome overwhelming circumstances and odds. Their story signifies the sacrifices our military men and women endure to protect our liberty, regardless of which war, conflict or campaign.

Thursday, JANUARY 11, 2018, 6:30 PM – Clubhouse 6

This event is for Laguna Woods Village residents and their guests only

CHRISTMAS IN CHULA VISTA 2018

For several years the CDRV'ers have hoisted an annual Christmas Campout. 2017 there was conflict with the Wheelers Annual Christmas Party, but Lorrie and I along with the Wilsons, Ed, and Rhonda attended – 20 rigs, lots of decorations, parade, good foods, great costumes, etc A REAL UNIQUE CHRISTMAS FOR SURE! Think about 12/5/18 departing 12/9/18 next December Wheeler Christmas on 12/15 – more information in the fall Happy New Year – Doug Gibson



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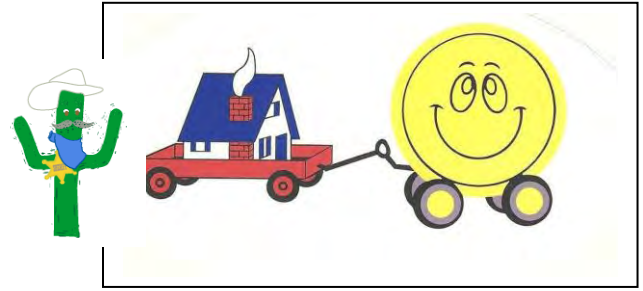
Booked & Proposed RALLIES 2018

2018	HOST & ASSTS.	DESTINATION	NOTES
January 17-24	Carol P Escapees	Dry Camping Quartzite BLM AREA	
January 19-24	Helen Wilson Book your own spot	Quartzite Rose RV. Not full HU. Water and Elec –Dump station	Near vendors and tent See letter from Helen
February		TBD	
March 16-21	Carol P & Dee W NEED NEW HOST	Prado Regional Park sp 66	Make your own Reservations
MARCH??? Depends on blooms	TBD	BORRAGO SPRINGS or AQUA CALLIENTE This will require a lot flexibility but the wild flowers s/b gorgeous	This may be a 100 year wild flower bloom as a result of the rains in 2017. Make your own RESERVATIONS.....
April tbd	MARIO CITRON	Emerald Desert cdv	Beautiful desert resort
April 18-23	Jackie Martin	Valencia Travel Village	Cowboy show & Music more details to follow. New Venue
May			
June 5 - 10	Capt Mark	SANTEE LAKES	MORE TO FOLLOW
July TBD		ANNUAL PICNIC	
August	DARK — NO RALLY	DARK — NO RALLY	DARK — NO RALLY
September 16 - 21 st Sat - Thurs	BOOKED Leaving 21 st 5 days	Chula Vista Marina (800) 741-6878 We have large club room.	25# Reserved; \$150 dep. Contract rec'd;
October			
November			
Dec 6-10???? Wed-Sun	Bessom (Host) BOOKED	Chula Vista Marina Annual Christmas/Holiday Parade	; 15#

I NEED SOMEBODY TO TAKE OVER THE MARCH 16 - 21 AT PRADO PARK. CAROL AND DEE HAVE DROPPED OUT. NEW VENUE FOR US...

Notes for 2018 RV Schedule: I am still looking for any suggestions or ideas for the months that are NOT MARKED AS BOOKED. Also looking for volunteers to head up and assist 2018 Rallies.
ED BAUMAN eab@fea.net

QUARTZSITE AZ RALLY



Hosted by the Escapees Solos
January 17-24, 2018

Approximately 240 miles from Laguna Woods, this desert destination is perfect during the winter and spring and is located just 22 miles over the Arizona border. Wheeler and Escapees member Carol Preimesberger has invited us to join them for their annual outing, camping **on FREE Bureau of Land Management (BLM) land.**

This is the time of year when this small desert town hosts a huge “swap meet” with vendors selling a variety of merchandise scattered everywhere plus the BIG TENT open from January 20-28 with everything you can think of for your RV. If you’ve never experienced this event, it must be on your bucket list. In town, there are three good hardware stores with a good supply of RV stuff. The Gambler has new and used RV parts and appliances. In the back, they have bins and bins of miscellaneous RV parts that you can look through. Then there is K&B Tools, Quartzsite’s version of Harbor Freight.

This rally will be VERY informal – no sign ups, no money up front. While the Solos will be there all week, you don’t have to go for the entire week – come and leave whenever you choose. If “boon docking” (no hookups) is not your thing, you could choose to stay at one of the local RV parks with hookups. One that the Wheelers stayed at in 2016 was Rose RV Park. If you choose to do that, you need to make your own reservations there (or some other park) by calling them at 405-306-2309. There are plenty of other RV parks in town or nearby. **Early reservations are recommended.** For those boon docking, there are nearby places where you can dump (if you have to) and buy water at a reasonable price.

BUT, the fun will be out at the Plumosa BLM camp, just a few short miles off the I-10. Cross the Arizona border, go approx. 22 miles and take Exit 17 (the first of two Quartzsite exits); turn left. To I-95 north and turn left. Go to Plumosa Road and turn right. Just past mile marker 2.2 on the left side look for the big yellow happy face (Solo’s logo) and turn left; go about 100 yards and you will see the camp on the left side of the road. You’ll see lots of big yellow smiling face signs and flags. Park anywhere near the group. Then, just look for Carol Preimesberger, who will be there to welcome you.

There’s going to be lots of good fun and camaraderie. The Escapees provide coffee and breakfast every morning, a hamburger/hot dog cookout one evening, a great BBQ beef dinner one evening, “burn your own meat” one night (you bring meat and a dish to share), wine and appetizers one night, dancing to a live band one afternoon, a campfire every night, and much more. Bringing a donation of fruit or extra water for coffee would be appreciated. **The food cost for those partaking will be approximately \$20/person.** Dinner is on your own two nights. There will be a presentation regarding RV refrigeration on Thursday afternoon that should be very educational. More information will follow.

There will also be a CARE (Continuing Assistance for Retired Escapees) auction where rally attendees are requested to bring something to auction off; i.e., RV related items, tools, books, etc. The money goes to CARE which is an Escapees nonprofit care center located in Livingston, TX which provides a safe haven with professional assistance at affordable prices for Escapees members who are not able to travel any longer because of age or health problems. It is not a nursing home. More information can be provided if you are interested.

Carol Preimesberger
714-231-1414

These are members of our club. Great recommendations and service.

Soaply is new to our club and they do a great job of washing & detailing cars and RVs. You might want to give them a try as they will come to the lot. If five or more members schedule washes for the same day, each member will receive a 15% discount. Remember, you are required by the lot rules and regulations to remain there while you have any vendor there to work.

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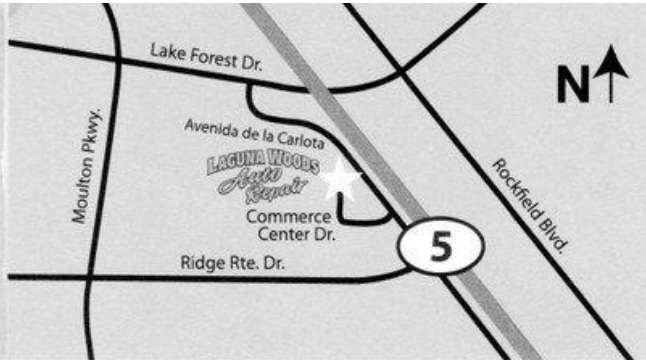
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APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

RV WHEELERS OF LAGUNA WOODS VILLAGE

☐ New
 ☐ Renewal
 ☐ Changes from previous year
 Referred by _____

Any resident of Laguna Woods Village, who is the owner of, or is interested in, a travel trailer, camper or motor home is eligible for membership. Our purpose is to promote social relationships of our members by holding meetings, rallies and get-togethers and to disseminate information of benefit to members.

Date

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APPLICANT (PLEASE PRINT)

Anniversary (Mo/Da/Yr)

Last Name	First Name	Nickname	Birthday (Mo/Da)	Email
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SPOUSE/COMPANION

Last Name	First Name	Nickname	Birthday (Mo/Da)	Email
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Address	City	St	Zip
Home Phone	Cell #1	Cell #2	

RV	Make	RV Model	Rig Class	License	St
Rig Length	# Slides	Parking Lot A or B	Space Number		
Tow or Dinghy	Make	Model	License	St	

Our club's strength is member involvement. Would you be willing to help with: (x)

Social Events		Hospitality		Greeter		Programs	
Publicity		Membership		Asst. Rally Master		Board Member	

What are your interests? (x)

Card Games		Dominoes		Bingo		Shopping	
Cycling		Hiking		Walking		Tours/Museums	
Other (Please indicate)							

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Please mail this application and \$15.00 per person to our Membership Chair. **Make checks payable to "RV Wheelers"**. If you wish, you may submit this application at any regular meeting.

Mail to Treasurer: Linda Huber, 788-Q Via Los Altos, LW 92637

Please list 4 of your favorite campgrounds (within 150 miles) of Laguna Woods

MEETINGS ARE THE 2ND THURSDAY OF THE MONTH, AT CLUBHOUSE SIX, 6:30 PM



ADVANTAGES OF RV WHEELERS MEMBERSHIP

- **We are your only liaison with the GRF Security Committee and can relate your concerns about the RV lots, rules and regulations, lot fees and more**
- Planned 4 to 7-day group rallies, within a reasonable driving range of the Village. Also have some week to 2-week trips further afield with planned or spontaneous activities at destination planned by those who attend
- Monthly meetings with guest speakers with knowledge of RV maintenance, repair, and road rules plus social time and camaraderie
- Informative website and monthly club newsletter
- Resource Guide of member recommended RV maintenance, repair, supplies, and parts dealers

