



Sun City Grand RV Club

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January 2015

Message from President Laurie Stewart

Happy New Year to all of our Grand RVers! I hope that you have all had a wonderful holiday season and that you are ready to join in the fun on one (or more) of our rallies, social events and day events! What a great way to make new friends who share with you a love of RVing!

Did you make it to our club's annual Holiday Party? It was a complete success from the excellent food to a great band! Many of our members took to the dance floor and entertained us with some very fancy footwork! Thank you Mary Anne and David Anderson for all of your hard work!! And be sure to check out the pictures on the website!

The 2015 rallies start with the *Sierra Vista Cowboy Poetry and Music Festival* in February followed by a Colorado adventure to *Parker, AZ* in March and some good ol' rock and roll at *Barleens* in Apache Junction in April. But we need more excursions and Wagon Masters in order to keep the fun going! So put on your thinking caps and contact our Trip Directors, Wayne Adams and Chuck Cook, with your ideas! We also have a couple of day events on the books...*Butterfly Wonderland* on January 28th and the *English Rose Tea Room*, where we will have "High Tea" with the Queen on February 4th. Be sure to check out the rallies and day events on the website!

So that you don't miss out on one minute of fun, be sure to pay your 2015 dues by the end of January. You are getting a bargain...\$10.00 per person or \$20.00 per couple for a year! Make your check payable to "Grand RVers". Also,

Next Meeting

Tuesday, January 20, 2015
5:00pm
Agua Fria Room, Cimarron

please check your information for the Directory on the Website and make any corrections necessary as we will be publishing a new one soon.

Our new board and committee members for 2015 are listed below. Thank you to all who have stepped up to help our club in the new year.

President	Laurie Stewart
Vice President	Tim Burke
Treasurer	Carole Donohue
Secretary	Linda Foote
Membership	Janet Bluhm Jan Hatmaker
Trip Directors	Wayne Adams Chuck Cook
Day Events	Jan Hatmaker
Entertainment	Tim & Lynn Burke Dale & Carroll Rees Lou & Eileen Provenzano
Sunshine	Helene Gordon
Newsletter Editor	Sue Perry
Webmaster	John Stewart
RV Compound	Dennis Gebele John Francis



Holiday Party December 2014

Message from Janet Bluhm Membership Committee

The Membership Committee welcomes you back and hopes that you all had a great holiday season and are now ready to do some traveling, either on the road RVing or in town with a one-day event. The best way to make lasting friendships with your fellow RVers is to participate in our club's activities.

Most of you have already paid your dues for 2015. If you haven't, please bring a check made out to "Grand RVers" in the amount of \$10 per person/\$20 per couple to our next meeting, January 20, 2015. Or, if you would prefer, you may mail your checks to:

Janet Bluhm, Membership
15759 W Goldenrod Dr
Surprise, AZ 85374

Dues have to be paid no later than February 1, to have your name, photo and information included in the 2015 membership directory on our web site.

Remember, CAM is still asking that we show our ID cards when signing in for our meeting. Please try and remember to bring them to all meetings and show them when entering and signing in. Thanks for your help and patience.

If you have new neighbors or meet someone here in Grand with an RV, make sure to invite them to one of our meetings. We have special seats for potential members at each of our meeting tables. We love RVers!

If you would like to help greet members and/or help with sign-up before the meeting, please call Janet Bluhm at 623-910-6886. We could use your help.

Message from Helena Gorden Sunshine Committee

When one of our members is feeling under the weather and in need of a little care and concern, that's where I step in to spread a little "Sunshine". Please let me know either by phone at [623-975-9749](tel:623-975-9749) or by email at mhgorden@cox.net. I will let them know that the club is concerned and thinking about them.



Holiday Party December 2014

Message from Tim Burke Entertainment Committee

Report from the Entertainment Committee, which includes meetings and social events for 2015.

It is my belief that in the past we have had members who have gotten a little burnt out and so we want to spread the committee responsibilities for 2015. So having said that we are looking for volunteers to help organize our meetings and we need two or three volunteers per meeting. We are looking for volunteers to help set up the meetings and this would include two to sell tickets for the 50/50 draw.

The meetings volunteers are needed are listed below. If interested in volunteering please email Tim at timburke@msn.com or call at [602-910-7727](tel:602-910-7727).

- January 20

- February 17
- March 10
- April 21
- October 20
- November 17
- December 6 Holiday Party

Please make note of the dates, they are set as the third Tuesday of the month except for March and December where we have conflicts for room reservations and this is the best we could do! So please everyone mark your calendar for the above listed dates.

Thank you in advance from your Entertainment Committee – Carroll & Dale Rees, Eileen & Lou Provenzano, Lynne & Tim Burke

Message from Webmaster John Stewart

To log on to the web site:

- From the home page first click on the **RED** “Log On” button.
- Then enter your **user name** which is your first and last name together, all in lower case without a space (firstnamelastname).
- Then enter your **password** which is your four digit CAM number. If your number is less than four digits add leading zero(s).

If you look at our web site (www.grandrv.org), you will notice a few changes.

- When you click on the button, “Members”, you will find buttons for:
 - Club Roster
 - Club Directory
 - Member photos
 - Edit my Info (*This is where you can make changes to your personal information as well as your rig and tow vehicle information. Please make sure that this information is up to date.*)
- You will also see a new button next to the “Rallies” button called “Day Events”.
 - You will sign up for various outings just as you would a rally with one exception....you will be

signing up as an individual, NOT a couple. So if both of you are attending one of these day events, be sure to sign each of you up.

- This is also where you will sign up for our Happy Hours and other day events.

On the web site you can do many more things:

- Find out when and where the next meeting is going to be held
- Check for last minute messages from the Club’s Officers
- Look at and Sign up for Rallies that interest you
- Look at pictures from recent Rallies
- Keep informed about any recent changes between meetings

Regarding e-mail messages which you receive from the Grand RV Board:

DO NOT HIT REPLY! This will not go back to the person who sent the e-mail. Instead, at the bottom of the e-mail message, the individual sending the message will be putting his or her e-mail address. Click on that link and send the message directly to that person.

If you need any assistance or have any questions or comments please feel free to contact me.

Message from Sue Bailey Perry, Publisher

- Do you have a great RV adventure and/or photos that you would like to share?
- Do you have some tips or tricks that other RVers could benefit from?
- Do you have RV-related items that you want to buy, sell, or borrow?

If so, submit your story or request to me and I will publish it in the next newsletter. This club is all about sharing experiences, so why not share some of that experience in the newsletter!

UPCOMING 2015 RALLIES

Trip Directors Wayne Adams & Chuck Cook

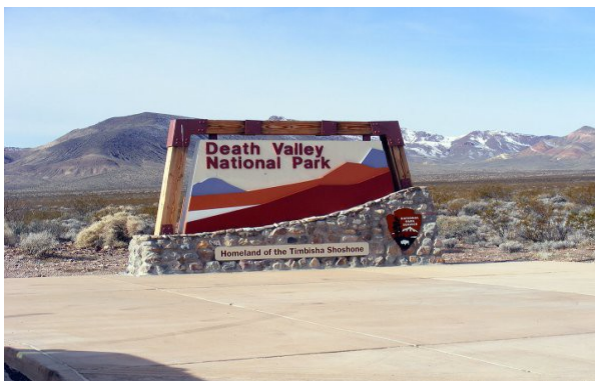
SIERRA VISTA COWBOY POETRY AND MUSIC FESTIVAL SIERRA VISTA, AZ DATE: FEB. 5-9, 2015 WAGON MASTER: TIM & LYNN BURKE

Here's your chance to increase your knowledge and experience of the real west. You will attend the Cowboy Poetry and Music Festival and take excursions to Kartchner Caverns, Tombstone and Bisbee. Your wagon master has proposed attending the Festival on parts of three days as well as going to other locations. The final night will involve a dinner/campfire.

This rally will allow you to broaden your horizons for something you had never thought of or ordinarily would experience.

DEATH VALLEY BEATY, NV SUGGESTED DATES: FEB 26 – MAR 1 WAGON MASTER: NEEDED

Come see the lowest point in the United States. See the borax mine and how the borax was hauled. Weather will be nice.



COLORADO RIVER PARKER, AZ DATE: MAR 12-15 WAGON MASTER: BOB & EVIE MARTINEZ

A close-to-home rally (145 miles). Relax, gamble, and do/see – Desert Bar – Parker Dam – La Paz County Fair – Poston Monument, which is the largest Japanese internment camp in the US from WWII – Aha Khav Preserve – Swansea Ghost Town – Pirates Den, and more.

OLD TOWN TUCSON TUCSON, AZ SUGGESTED DATES: MAR 22 -26 WAGON MASTER: NEEDED

Tucson gives its visitors a truly Southwestern experience. South of town, you can wander the historic town of Tubac, visiting galleries and shops. Tumacacori, just next door on Route 19, is the ruin of a Franciscan mission built in 1795. Pima Air & Space Museum 80 acres/300 planes. The National Historic Landmark “Titan Missile Museum”. This is just naming a few, there are many more to see!!!

LAKE POWELL, AZ SUGGESTED DATES: APRIL 1 – 30 WAGON MASTER: NEEDED

Lake Powell is a beautiful place to visit. At Wahweap Campground many sites look out over the water. There are boat tours, restaurants, shopping in Page just over the bridge. Take a tour of the Slot Canyons out by the power plant.



**BARLEENS RALLY
APACHE JUNCTION, AZ
DATE: APR 15-17
WAGON MASTER: JOHN & LAURIE
STEWART**

Experience the most musically diverse decade ever! Everything from pop to rock, and disco to country and southern rock - a wild ride through the music of the 70's. Featuring great songs by Elton John, Billy Joel, Boston, Journey, Bee Gees, Kenny Rogers, Charlie Daniels and Lynard Skynard.

We have reserved (40) seats for the "70's" show at Barleens Arizona Opry Dinner Theatre for Wednesday, April 15th. Ticket price includes dinner, show and all taxes & gratuities.

Thursday, board the Dolly Steamship and take a 1 1/2 hour narrated nature cruise on beautiful Canyon Lake. During this 6 mile cruise, you may see desert bighorn sheep, bald eagles and a host of other animals viewed from the decks of the Dolly! We also touch on the beautiful flora from the stately Saguaro cacti to the microscopic organism called desert varnish. An unforgettable vista of volcanic "Welded Tuff" canyons and 1300 foot cliffs awaits you on Canyon Lake. This awe-inspiring "Diamond in the Rough" is one of Arizona's best-kept secrets!

FOR SALE

2002 Winnebago Itasca Sun Cruiser
67,500 Miles
Excellent Condition
Newer Tires and Batteries
\$130,000+ when New

This RV has all the Bells and Whistles
Asking \$38,000 for Motor Home

Also offering Nissan Pathfinder 4x4 SUV
An Excellent Tow Vehicle that was been well
maintained
Includes Brake Buddy

Asking \$42,000 for both Motor Home and SUV

[602-370-7500](tel:602-370-7500) Ask For Joe

Day Events

Consider setting up a day trip to one of the many interesting nearby locales. This is a good way to check out new things and get to know fellow club members. Here are a number of suggested events:

- Camping World Good Sam Rally at Phoenix International Raceway
- Shopping on a Dime and lunch at Dillards Clearance Center and Pappadeaux
- Wrigley Mansion tour and lunch
- Queen Creek Olive Mill tour and lunch
- Phoenix Musical Instrument Museum
- Lake Pleasant cruise

Why not lead one of these or come up with a place that you've always wanted to visit? See Day Events on our website to sign up!

We do have a few Day Events scheduled:

- Butterfly Wonderland – January 28
- English Rose Tea Room in Carefree – February 4
- Art and Flower Exhibit at Phoenix Art Museum – October 16

