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SUN CITY GRAND RV CLUB

December 2018



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rallies. I'd like of Wagon Master. I know if you ask them, they'll tell you it really wasn't a lot of work, more fun than work, so a big thank you goes out to the following folks:

- Feb - AVI Casino Rally to Laughlin, NV,
Don & Sue Bartolotta Wagon Masters
- Mar - Willow Beach Campground & RV Park, Willow Beach, AZ
Mike & Marty Holloway
- April - Solstice RV Park, Mesquite, AZ
Ford & Snaque Rollo
- May - Pechanga Casino RV Park, Temecula, CA
Don & Sue Bartolotta
- Oct - Balloon Fiesta, Albuquerque, NM
Linda & Ove Jakobsen
- Oct - Distant Drum RV Park, Verde Valley, AZ
Sharon & Bill Navratil
- Nov - DeAnza RV Resort, Green Valley, Tucson, AZ
Mike & Linda Dailey
- Nov - Kartchner Caverns, Kartchner Caverns State Park
Chuck & Ann Kronenwetter

IMPORTANT DATES

HOLIDAY PARTY!!
Wednesday,
December 5th, 2018
In the Sagebrush Room



2019

General Meeting: January 15th

Guest speaker: Kevin Connolly
from Onetrout RV Inspections

An apology to those of you who came to the November meeting expecting to a presentation by Kevin Connolly from Onetrout RV Inspections. Apparently, there was a misunderstanding about the date. But we have it FOR SURE now that he will be at our January meeting (1/15/19). Kevin is a knowledgeable NRVIA certified inspector.

The big news of the day is that we have a full slate of officers for the new year. Even though I had a total amnesia night running a meeting...(YIKES!!)...hope that never happens again...we managed to get everyone elected. Phew! Here they are:

President: **Laura Haynes**
Vice President: **Janice Porter**
Treasurer: **Nancy Newman**
Secretary: **Karen Petersen**



I know the new year will bring new and exciting things to the club. As some folks leave more folks join and we expand our circle of friends. Thank you to those Board Members and Committee Members who are leaving and welcome to those who are joining the best darn club at Sun City Grand!!!



Sharon Navratil
Membership
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WOW, what an action packed meeting for membership on November 21st! We had 55 of our members attend and 12 guests for which we acquired 7 new members! Please help me welcome our newest members and we look forward to getting to know all of you.

New Members:

Kay Norton
Kim & Jim Austin
Donald & Vicki Sommers



Returning prior members:

Rich and Millie Amburgy

It's time to renew your club membership for 2019.

There will be no dues collected at the December 5th Holiday Party. However, you can mail your dues (\$10.00/pp or \$20.00/couple) to me and I will process them.

Sharon Navratil
15873 W Rancho Vista Way
Surprise, AZ 85374

Remember **your membership expires on 12/31/2018** which means if you have not paid by then you will drop off the roster.

Bill & I wish everyone a blessed holiday season and a safe, healthy New Year.

*****Please note***** If you are already a member, you do not need to complete a new membership form when you renew. If you have changes to your personal information, such as a new email address or vehicle, make your changes directly on your membership page.



Ann Kronenwetter
Sunshine
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Wishing all club members a wonderful Holiday Season and a very Healthy and Happy New Year!

Please let me know if any member needs some sunshine from the Grand RVers.

Email: sunshine@grandrv.org
Phone: 623-584-9414



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Be sure that the club has your current information.
The information on the website is what the club uses for many things....
our Club Roster, Email list and Rally information (including emergency contact information) are all derived from your information on the website.

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- Enter your **password** (4 digit CAM number)

TO CHANGE YOUR INFORMATION ON THE WEBSITE:

- Click the **“My Info”** button
- On that page you can:
 - See your current picture (used for the Club Directory)
 - Change Your Password
 - Edit Your Individual Member Information (Email, Cell Phone, Emergency Contact Info)
 - Edit Your Residence Information (Home Phone and Secondary Address)
 - Edit Your Vehicle Information (Both for your RV and Tow Vehicles)

If you have any questions, need assistance, or see anything that does not appear to be working correctly, please let me know at webmaster@grandrv.org

NEWSLETTERS / MEETING MINUTES –

If you have missed an email for the Newsletter or the Meeting Minutes they are archived on the website under the “Newsletter” button.

If you need any assistance or have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact me at (webmaster@grandrv.org).



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WOW, December already! Hope everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving! Now instead of a stuffed turkey, we are all stuffed! Well, here is your chance to work some of that extra 'stuffing' off. And just in time to do it again on the holidays!

What a better way to start the season off than a shopping trip to Kierland Commons! Janet Sloan has graciously decided to become the Day Trip Leader to **'The Kierland Commons trip'**. She has set the date for **December 7**. This should be a very fun trip with the Commons all decked out in their holiday decorations! Just think, you can enjoy a fabulous day shopping, lunch and see all the beautiful sites in one day. Don't miss this event and go NOW to the RV Day Trip web page and sign up!

And if shopping doesn't help with working an appetite up for the holidays, just remember that Laurie Stewart is heading up her Day Trip on **December 15** with a trip to the **'Christmas at the Musical Instrument Museum (MIM)'**. Another area that will be all decked out for the holidays. This has always been a wonderful and popular place to visit in the past, but just image what it will look like for the holidays! Again, remember, if you don't sign up – you don't go.

And then for after the holidays, we have one more event with a date on it of **January 14, 2019** going to **'High Tea at the Spicery'**. Again, Laurie has volunteered to be the Day Trip Leader on this event. By now you all know that any event that Laurie heads up is always fun! What could be better than tea and scones (and maybe a little shopping) in the afternoon! This trip has been listed on our web page for quite a while with quite a few people signed up for it. So please check and see if your name is on the list and if you are now unable to attend, please remove it. We need to make sure the list is current as there is a trip limit of 20 people.

All other events have remained the same. We would love to have someone step forward and take over any of these events or suggest their own! So, if you have an idea or place in mind that you would like to visit, or just a day shopping to that special location and would like to have company, why not send me the idea and I will be happy to put it on our Day Trip web site!

Here is a current listing of the Day Trips:

Kierland Commons Shopping and Lunch - December 7th, 2018

Event Leader: Jan Sloan

Scottsdale

If shopping inside a mall isn't your thing, but would still like to go shopping and enjoy a wonderful lunch, how about Kierland Commons? Kierland Commons is a unique, upscale Main Street lifestyle center that artfully blends retail shopping, dining and entertainment. The one-of-a-kind development incorporates over 70 high-end specialty stores that include a distinctive selection of national retail choices and upscale restaurants.

Christmas at the Musical Instrument Museum – December 15th, 2018

Leader: Laurie Stewart

Celebrate the "most wonderful time of the year" at MIM! Join the MIM for their annual holiday program featuring musical performances and holiday-themed activities. MIM will transform into a musical "Winter Wonderland" with songs and musical traditions that spread tidings of good cheer around the world throughout this season. This merry event is one you won't want to miss.

In just eight short years since opening, MIM has been recognized by TripAdvisor as one of the top 20 museums in the United States and is rated the #1 attraction in Phoenix by TripAdvisor reviewers. MIM provides a fun, one-of-a-kind experience to be enjoyed by guests of all ages.

We will leave Sun City Grand at 8:00am and carpool to the Musical Instrument Museum which opens at 9:00am. The museum is open until 5:00pm...we can stay until closing or each carpool can decide when to leave.

The **cost is \$20.00** per person and includes the holiday program.

We will have lunch at Cafe Allegro located at the museum. They have a wonderful selection of delicious, "interesting" food from around the world including Gluten free and Vegan dishes.

High Tea at "The Spicery in our 1895 Home" – January 14th, 2019

Event Leader: Laurie Stewart

Glendale

This unique and charming restaurant is located in one of the oldest homes in the historic Catlin Court area of downtown Glendale. The 1895 Home chef's prepare the flavors of yesterday just like our mothers and grandmothers made.



- **What? A High Tea lunch at The Spicery**
- **Where? "The Spicery in our 1895 Home"and shopping in old town Glendale!**
- **When? Monday, January 14th**
- **Time for our High Tea lunch? 12:00pm noon**
- **Cost? \$23.00 per person (with gratuity it will be about \$30.00)**

High Tea is a three course meal:

Pot of Tea:

Start with a pot of tea from our extensive list of black, green and herbal teas in both caffeinated or decaffeinated.

First Course:

Shortbread and Buttermilk Scone, served with Lemon Curd and Chantilly Cream

Second Course:

Enjoy bite-sized versions of our most popular sandwiches, including:

- Warm Ham/Swiss biscuit with our Sweet/Spicy Mustard
- Chicken Salad on bread medallion
- Cucumber Sandwich with alfalfa sprouts
- Tuna Salad on one of our puffs

Third Course:

Small parfait of fresh fruit and custard surrounded by bite-sized portions of some of our favorite desserts. Brownie bites, Lemon bars, Coconut macaroons and Pecan Sandies, to name a few.

Desert Botanical Gardens

Event Leader: needed

1201 N. Galvin Parkway

Phoenix, Arizona 85008

Experience and embrace the magnificent beauty of the desert through a variety of tours and activities at the Desert Botanical Garden that will make your visit unforgettable - included with membership or admission. Designed to accommodate individuals of any age and groups of any size. Private tours are available for an additional fee. Please go to their web site for a sampling of some of the events and tours offered.

For a complete listing go to: <https://www.dbg.org/tours-activities>.



Encanterra, a Trilogy Resort and lunch

Event Leader: needed

San Tan Valley (Wickenburg)

How about a day looking at the latest models in the valley? A visit to the Trilogy Resort located just outside of Wickenburg is a must. View the models and get lots of new decorating and landscaping ideas. (But don't buy – we want you to stay here in SCG!) After all the ooh-ing and ah-ing lets go to lunch in Wickenburg!

Casino day/night at Talking Stick Casino and Resort

Event Leader: needed

9800 Talking Stick Way
Scottsdale, AZ

How about a day or evening out at the beautiful Talking Stick Casino and Resort? Besides hitting the table or slots, enjoy upscale dining and top rate entertainment. Depending on the date of this trip, entertainment can include Engelbert Humperdinck, Alabama, Degree 270, etc. Also available is their luxurious open-air space Spa located on the 14th floor of the resort. It was voted one of the 10 best spas in Scottsdale by USA Today



Mike Holloway
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Remember that we have supplies (coolers, pots, shade canopy etc.) and games (Corn Hole and Ladder Ball) in our shed at the Compound for the use of rally members!

We have new rally for you to add your name to the interest list! Chula Vista KOA! Also, for new club members, check out the Newcomer Rally to Tucson. And, also new to the rally list is a chance to attend a NASCAR racing event this next November right here in Avondale! Check it out!!

UPCOMING RALLIES

CHULA VISTA/SAN DIEGO

CHULA VISTA KOA

January 27th - February 1st

Wagon Masters: Laura and Daniel Haynes

San Diego is called America's finest city for good reason. Within just 20 miles of the San Diego Metro KOA you will find world class attractions like Sea World, the San Diego ZOO, fantastic restaurants under the city lights of downtown and the Gaslamp Quarter, Old Town San Diego's Historic State Park, luxurious Coronado and La Jolla, relaxing beaches and golf courses, and the international crossing to Tijuana.



Located just 15 minutes from downtown San Diego, the Chula Vista KOA is a great “base-camp” for all your sightseeing. Stop by the front desk and let them arrange tickets and travel plans so you can maximize your fun while exploring San Diego.

The cost per night is \$60.50 as a discounted group rate. **You must call the park and make your own reservation by paying for the first night by Dec. 20th** Be sure to let them know you are with the Sun City Grand RV Club.



NEW MEMBER APPRECIATION RALLY

LAZY DAZE RV PARK - TUCSON

March 31st - April 4th, 2019

Wagon Masters: Mike and Marty Holloway

Assistant Wagon Masters: Mike and Gabriele Dawson

This rally is for new members only who joined in 2017 or 2018.

We love our new members!

Tucson Attractions include Kartchner Caverns, perhaps the finest in the nation. Old Tucson, movie set location and more. Arizona Sonora Desert Museum and Zoo, nationally acclaimed. Other possible activities include Saguaro National Monument, Pima Air Museum, Titan Missile Site Tours And More!

The rally is limited to 15 rigs.

Please put your name on the interest list and call Lazy Daze, 520-799-3701, ext. 1 to give your initial deposit of \$46.33, the cost of one night's stay, to reserve your space.

*****Be sure to mention that you are with the Sun City Grand RV Club**

Cancellation Policy:

Sites can be cancelled without penalty 30 days before arrival date (3/1/19). After this date, club members paying separately have a cancellation fee of \$10 per site up to 48 hours before the arrival date. Closer than 48 hours and they would lose their individual deposits.

2019 MONSTER ENERGY CUP

PHOENIX ISM RACEWAY, AVONDALE

November 7th - 11th, 2019

Wagon Masters: Mike and Gabriele Dawson



Join us for a fantastic weekend at the NASCAR races only 20 miles away in Avondale! We will be securing sites together so as to form a U shaped area with our rigs and have a fun filled time at the races! I need at least 2 (more is even better) to join me to secure these spots for the races. The RV area is called Zoomtown and there will be well over 1000 rigs in attendance so we must act soon as it sold out very early last season.

You can come as late as Thursday afternoon or as early as the Monday prior (that's a 7 day stay) with departure by noon on Monday November 12th all for the same price of \$250 per rig which includes parking for 1 TOAD as well. Dry camping with water and sewer trucks available for an additional fee. There should be at least 3 races with the main NASCAR race on Sunday afternoon, races are an additional cost and we can get together on buying individual race tickets together at a later date. For additional info call Mike at 925-727-4625 or email mikedawson1959@yahoo.com

PROSPECTIVE RALLIES

Wagon Masters are needed! And, as Wagon Master, you decide where to go, when to go, where to stay and what to do. You are in CONTROL! Let our Trip Director, Mike Holloway, know that you want to be a Wagon Master....or Assistant Wagon Master!



REMEMBER THE ALAMO! Let's go to San Antonio!

HUNTINGTON BEACH - Surf's up, dude!



SANTA FE AND TAOS, NEW MEXICO - Explore the oldest settlement in the US!

PAST RALLIES

KARTCHNER CAVERNS

November 12th - 15th, 2018

Wagon Masters: Chuck and Ann Kronenwetter

GOLF IN GREEN VALLEY - South of Tucson

November 6th - 12th, 2018

Wagon Masters: Mike and Linda Dailey



