

February 2018

Discovery

A Chapter of FMCA



Joan Edman
President

Presidents Report

We tried something new by attending the Western Area Rally in Indio - January 10-14, 2018. Ed and I left on January 8 due to the expected heavy rain and flooding in Santa Barbara and Ventura counties. As many of you are aware, the devastation and loss of lives to follow was horrific.

We overnighted at Pechanga (in the hotel) and met up with everyone on the 9th in the Spotlight 29 Casino parking lot. Leo led our caravan of rigs safely in a light rain to the Riverside County Fairgrounds the next day to check in. After setup and a very enjoyable dinner out, we pretty much did our own thing. We attended seminars, ice cream socials, enjoyed the train model setup, the entertainment, and just sitting around together solving all the world's problems or playing cards!

Many of us helped the economy by having outdoor shades installed, hitches fixed, and getting quotes on paint jobs. The vendors are an important part of these rallies. There are quite often company reps in attendance to give sage advice, as well as repair people who know what they are doing!

After Indio, some of us went to Desert Hot Springs, Quartzsite, and other spots in the area. The Blythe Bluegrass Festival – January 19-21 - was next on our list. Joined by the Swanson's, and Johnson's, we shared some dry camping with the "CRS Club" So. CA Chapter whose members include our beloved Lois Jones, Dick and Lilian Rody, Judy Kass and Tom Brown. Once again the problems of the world were solved around the campfire. The pits were even supplied by the Blythe Chamber of Commerce as well as firewood!! The music was WONDERFUL. Jackie & Ray Ouellette, Glenn & Marilyn Turner, and Ralph & Tammy Norris joined us during the day.

Last but not least, a warm welcome to our newest members – Janet Ortiz, Ann Marie Nelson, Bart & Glenda French who joined us in Indio!

Looking forward to seeing you at our March 2018 Rally.

Here's to a healthy and happy 2018! NO MORE FLU!!!!

FMCA National Director's Report

The vote is in! A total of 9,801 FMCA members voted (only 13% of total membership) on the issue to add all self-contained recreational vehicles. Those voting to accept were 6,820, and opposed 2,981.

In FMCA's January 2018 newsletter they had a frequently asked questions link. One of the questions was regarding generator usage at conventions. Basically, the response was, "We will require that only manufacturer-installed on-board generators be used in general and full-generator lots. Portable generators will not be permitted."

FMCA's 97th International Convention will be March 15-18, 2018 in Perry, GA. The Northwest Area Rally on June 21-24 will be in Coos Bay, OR. Their 30 amp. sites sold out early, however there is a waiting list. FMCA's 98th International Convention will be July 18-21 in Gillette, WY,

One new FMCA membership benefit is Connect-On-The Go with FMCA and Verizon. This gives you a mobile hotspot for only \$.01 with a 2-year agreement when you sign up for the \$49.99/month Mobile Broadband Plan (plus taxes & fees). One caveat – if you are currently a Verizon customer, DO NOT go by your local Verizon store or call Verizon. Contact FMCA and they will assist you. Many have expressed frustration going directly through Verizon.

We are going to try to attend both the Coos Bay and Gillette rallies. IF we get wiring and fridge issues taken care of! RV's are not for the faint of heart OR light of pocketbook (in our experience).

Happy Trails Everyone!



Have fun in Pismo Beach at the rally,
March 13 - 16.

Maybe you'll see a leprechaun. They've been
spotted before at March Rallies.

Leo will be back with a full report after the next rally.

Wagonmasters Report



Leo Aragon
Wagonmaster

DISCOVERY CLUB OF CALIFORNIA 2018 RALLIES

**THERE WAS NO RALLY SCHEDULED FOR JANUARY AS THE CLUB
CHOSE TO ATTEND THE FMCA RALLY IN INDIO**

MARCH RALLY:

DATES: 13-16 MARCH 2018

**LOCATION: PISMO SANDS RV RESORT
2220 CIENAGA STREET
OCEANO, CA 93445
(800)404-7004**

TRAIL BOSSES: LEO & MARIAN ARAGON

MAY RALLY:

DATES: 15-18 MAY 2018

**LOCATION: SAN DIEGO METRO KOA
111 NORTH 2ND AVENUE
CHULA VISTA, CA 91910
(619)427-3601**

NO TRAIL BOSSES

SEPTEMBER RALLY:

DATES: 11-14 SEPTEMBER 2018

**LOCATION: RIVER RUN RV PARK
3715 BURR STREET
BAKERSFIELD, CA 93308
(661)377-3600**

NO TRAIL BOSSES

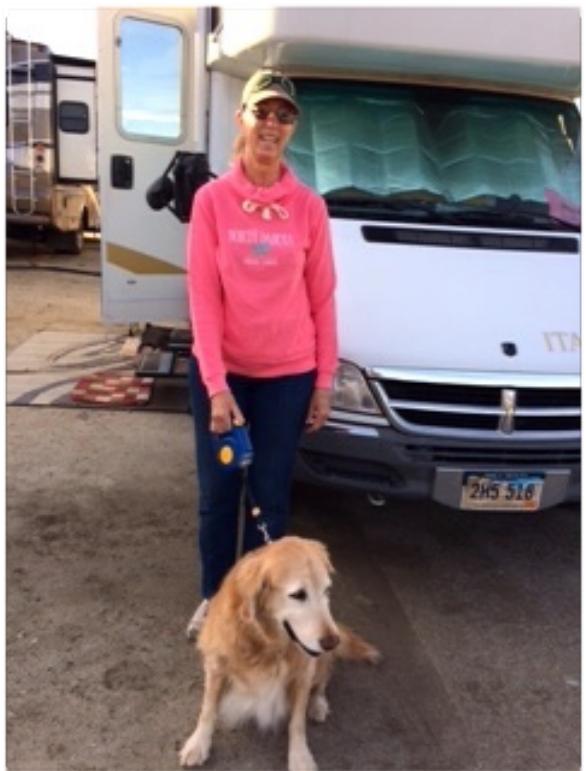
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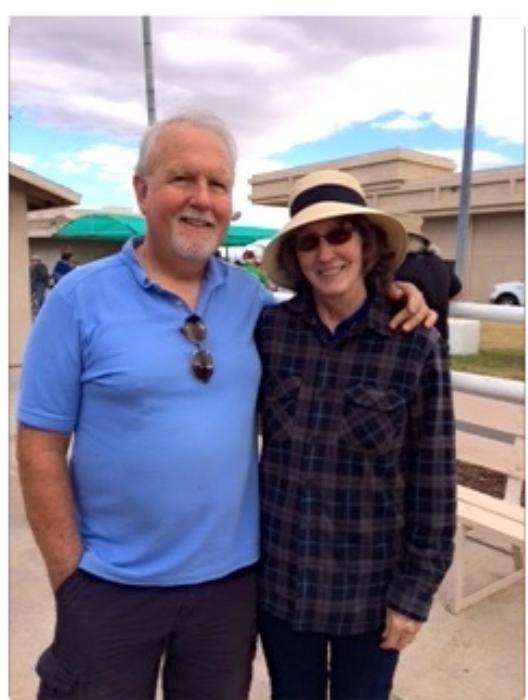
Tim and Sue Golec
Temecula



Janet Ortiz
Temecula



Ann Marie Nelson and Bailey
Ventura



Bart and Glenda French
Minden, NV

FMCA WESTERN AREA RALLY

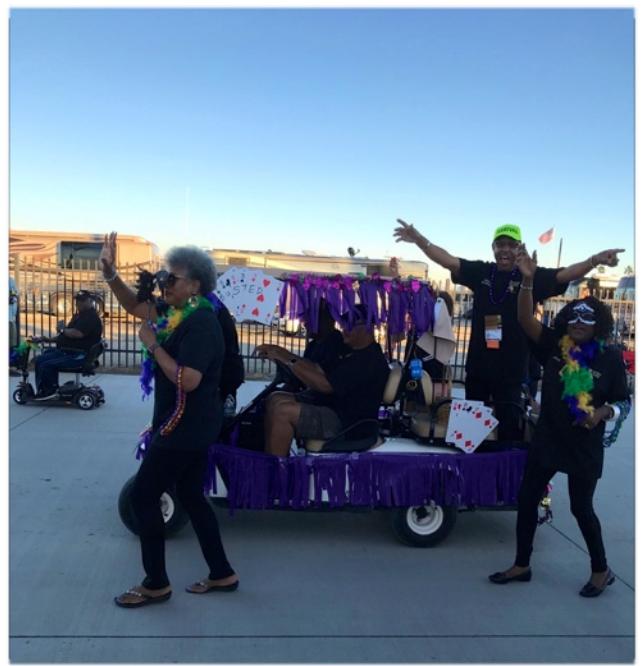
INDIO, CA
JANUARY 10 - 14, 2018

Really cool trains!
There are even clouds in the sky.





The Parade at the Western Area Rally in Indio





Blythe Bluegrass Festival



The Flashback Boys

We knew the lyrics.



Member Birthdays/Anniversaries

January

7 Mary Johnson
17 Muriel Benson
28 Carrie Brown
31 Carl Johnson
Anniversaries:

February

4 Tammy Norris
8 Bob Kennedy
23 Ralph Norris

Anniversaries:

10 Ed and Joan Edman
18 Bob and Beverly Kennedy

March

4 Beverly Kennedy
25 John Swanson
26 Gary Brown
Anniversaries:
16 John and Marsha Swanson
22 Glenn and Marilyn Turner

April

10 Pat Roman
11 Norm Teixeira
21 Ed Edman
23 Evelyn Teixeira
Anniversaries:

May

23 Patsy Miller
29 Ray Ouellette
Anniversaries:

June

6 Bill Miller
20 Marian Aragon
Anniversaries:
13 Leo and Marian Aragon
21 Eddie and Sandy Mitchell
27 Art and Barbara Valenzuela

July

1 Sandy Mitchell
3 Art Valenzuela
6 Jackie Ouellette
Anniversaries:
4 JD and Red Vanik
23 Norm and Evelyn Teixeira

August

1 Eddie Mitchell
4 Marilyn Turner
28 Glenn Turner
Anniversaries:
9 Larry and Muriel Benson
11 Bill and Patsy Miller
28 Gary and Carrie Brown

September

2 Barbara Valenzuela
13 Marv Zepeda
Anniversaries:
1 Carl and Mary Johnson
20 Ralph & Tammy Norris
24 Ray and Jackie Ouellette
Ralph and Tammy Norris

October

21 J D Vanik
22 Marsha Swanson
28 Noe Roman
Anniversaries:
28 Noe and Pat Roman

November

8 Leo Aragon
11 Joan Edman
12 Cliff Horton
22 Susan Salit
27 Ruth Zepeda
Anniversaries:
8 Marv and Ruth Zepeda
12 Cliff and Katie Horton

December

23 Katie Horton
24 Marlene (Red) Vanik
Anniversaries:

If you are not on the list, please email your birthday and anniversary dates to Susan at gsue@salit.us

**DISCOVERY CLUB OF CALIFORNIA
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES**

We'll be back with minutes in
the next issue.



**Jackie
Ouellette
Secretary**



MEMBERSHIP REPORT

We have new members. Welcome to Janet Ortiz from Temecula and Ann Marie Nelson and her dog Bailey from Ventura. I recently sent out the updated roster. Please check it and notify me if there are corrections or changes.

Mary Johnson, Membership Chair (mary30500@gmail.com).

NEWSLETTER REPORT

Hi Discoverers,

The newsletter is a little smaller this time. There was no Wagon Master Report or Minutes. Please check the birthday/anniversary page and send me any additions/corrections. Send us some good news and pictures to print. Please send your info in Word file format. PDF files are not as easily reformatted to fit in available space.



Have fun at the Pismo Rally.

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