

Mid-South Roadrunners

A chapter of the Fleetwood Motorhome Association



Spring Newsletter –2014

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Winter has finally passed us by, the flowers are blooming and the birds are twerping. How great it feels. What a miserable winter it has been for us. For the first time in fifteen years Phyllis and I did not spend our winter in Florida. We missed seeing all of our friends at the Lazy Days rally and all the other fun events we usually participate in. I had shoulder surgery on January 17th and spent the next six weeks in Rehab. Talking about "Cabin Fever", we developed a serious case and can't wait to get out with the RV again soon. Our first trip will be to attend the ACA-SE pre rally at Tom Johnson's Camping April 25th. Ray & Pauline Shea are hosting this event and it is sure to be a great time. We did get away one Saturday and traveled to Tanglewood RV Park in Winston Salem, NC to celebrate Belinda Moorefield's sixtieth birthday.

Reports have it that the Lazy Days Rally was lots of fun and we had three new members join our club. They are Ron & Carol Kummer from Lancaster, OH, George & Linda Bakos from Livingston, TX and David & Sara Rouser from Hilltop Lakes, TX. Welcome to the Mid-South Roadrunners and we look forward to meeting you guys in the near future. We also want to congratulate Don & Shirley Jett on the acquisition of their new motorhome while at the Lazy Days Rally. From the Facebook reports we receive from Don & Shirley they are already getting plenty of travels in on the new coach having attended the Perry, GA FMCA rally, camping in Albany, GA with Roger & Judy Davis, enjoying the Gulf coast beaches at Mexico City Beach, now at Lazy Days in Seffner, FL and they are plotting their trip to the Fleetwood National Rally in DuQuoin, Ill in June.

Speaking of the DuQuoin rally for those going to the rally, I wanted to suggest a rendezvous point for camping the night before you plan to arrive at the rally. The campground is the Fern Lake Campground in Paducah, KY. It is located just off I24 at exit 3 near downtown Paducah at 5535 Cairo Rd. The phone number is 270-444-7939. It is only about 95 miles or one hour and a half drive to the rally in DuQuoin. We stayed there on the last trip to DuQuoin and found it to be a very nice campground with pull thru sites.

Well I just looked out the window and damned if it isn't snowing. And I thought winter was over. I guess I'll just fire up the fireplace again and enjoy the rest of the March Madness. (Go TN Vols)

Phyllis and I wish all of you good health, wealth, happiness and safe travels this coming year.

Be sure and get your registrations in for all the rallies we have planned. The Summer Rally in Bedford being hosted by Tracey & Vince Lamonica is full but you can get your name on the waiting list by notifying Ray Easter, Registrar. The Fall Rally being hosted by Ted & Peggy Miisenheimer and Jim & Billie Barton has plenty openings as of now but don't wait too long because we only have 25 sites reserved. Tom and Cile Gierhahn are making plans for our Christmas Rally to be held at Stone MT Park near Atlanta, GA in December. The registration form should be ready soon.

Following is a list of the remaining rallies for 2014

(Dates shown are arrival and departure dates)

- April/May, 2014 - The Mid-South Roadrunners will not have a spring rally this year due to scheduling conflicts with so many other rallies being held during this time.
- June 10th - 15nd, 2014 - The Fleetwood National Rally will be held in DeQuoin, Illinois once again. More information and a registration form is on the FMA website.
- August 20th - 25th, 2014 - Vince and Tracey Lamonica are hosting a rally in Bedford, PA. Registration is full at this time but call Ray Easter to get on a waiting list.
- September 4th - 7th 2014 - The Tom Johnson rally follows the Labor Day holiday. It is a three day rally from Thursday to Sunday but you need to arrive earlier in the week to get a good camp site. Sites are first come first serve. The three day rally is free and no registration is required. Just show up compliments of Tom Johnson Camping Center.
- October 13th - 18th, 2014 - Ted & Peggy Misenheimer and Jim & Billie Barton are hosting a fall rally at the Great Outdoors RV Resort in Franklin, NC.
- December 3rd - 8th, 2014 Christmas rally - Tom & Cile Gierhahn have once again volunteered to host our Christmas Rally at Stone MTN Park near Atlanta.

Other rally dates to take note of:

ACA-SE Chapter Pre-Rally - Tom Johnson Camping Center - April 25th - 28th

ACA National Rally - Tom Johnson Camping Center - April 28TH - May 3rd, 2014

FMCA rally - Lebanon, TN - May 2nd - 6th, 2014

There are always many rallies and activities to participate in while RV'ing so plan your trip to take advantage of all the great opportunities out there waiting for us.

Ray Easter, President