

# Heartland Rally at Hemet

*Get ready for Casa de Fruta. It will be so much fun.*

Monthly newsletter

May of 2017



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## Message from the Pres.

Hello Heartland

Julie Burger did a great job as trail Boss at the Golden Village Palms R.V. resort in Hemet California. We saw the play Ramona at a outdoor amphitheater in a canyon setting.



**Here ye, Here ye, this is what I have to say.**

Your board had a meeting and discussed the future of our great Heartland club. Please be thinking of the upcoming

elections. See you all at Casa de Fruta  
Pres. Fred

Lunch with friends at Idyllwild Saw Mill Cafe





Ramona Pageant at Hemet



To all National Park  
Travelers

Hi Jerry,

Tim and I have been visiting a lot of National Parks this year. We have the "America The Beautiful" senior pass which currently costs \$10.00. We have been informed that the cost of this pass for those over 62 years of age, will go up to \$80.00 on October 1, 2017. I thought this might be something to put in our next Heartland bulletin for those who do not have one as yet.

Thanks, See you in May

Maxine Cahoon





Breakfast burrito with Lee and Arlon



How about a bear hug. Sam, Marilyn and Louise



Beautiful girls and great music

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Treasurers Report - April 25, 2017

<b>Beginning Balance</b>				<b>\$8,565.70</b>
<b>Monies Received and Deposited :</b>				
	3/31/2017 New Members		\$30.00	
	4/11/2017 New Members		\$27.00	
	4/25/2017 Hemet Rally Revenue		\$1,719.00	
		Sub Total	\$1,776.00	<b>\$10,341.70</b>
<b>Disbursements:</b>				
	3/31/17 #2965	Cec Fischer	New member badges	\$17.00
	4/11/17 #2966	Cec Fischer	New member badges	\$17.00
	4/22/17 #2967	Julie Burger	Food & Materials Hemet rally	\$192.77
	4/22/17 #2968	Golden Village Palms	Hemet Rally Parking (less deposit)	\$1,308.00
		<b>Total Expenses</b>		<b>\$1,534.77</b>
<b>Ending Balance</b>				<b>\$8,806.93</b>

Notes to Statement: There are several paid "advance deposits" for 2017 rallies

<i>Current Advance Deposits:</i>	Sparks	Deposit	\$270.00	Deposit credits carried to 2017
	Buellton	Deposit	\$400.00	Deposit credits carried to 2017
	Buellton	Deposit	\$100.00	Paid out Add'l deposit for June 2017
	Chowchilla	Deposit	\$100.00	Paid out for 2017 rally
		<b>Total</b>	<b>\$870.00</b>	

*Dave Mendonca* Treasurer

**APRIL AND MAY BIRTHDAYS**

- Henry Goulden--4/3
- Jim Lewis--4/7
- Richard Mehelic--4/17
- Dave Mendonca--4/8
- Diana Schill--4/12
- Jon Bailey--5/20
- Dave Elliott--5/2
- Dave Freitas--5/16
- Char Gibbs--5/21
- Marilyn Peterson--5/30
- Gaden Schorling--5/10
- Joe Silva--5/10
- Rena Smith--5/9
- Gary Smith--5/22

**ANNIVERSARIES**

- David/Theresa Freitas-- 5/16
- Warren/Marla James-- 4/1
- Richard/Gay Mehelic -- 4/12
- Don/Judy Pitts-- 5/1
- Martin/Barbara Quesada-- 4/2
- Arlon/Lee Schubert-- 4/11
- Skip/Joyce Scott-- 4/2
- Ken/Becky Smith-- 5/15
- Ralph/Judy Stecker-- 4/7
- Gary/Luanne Wilson-- 4/27



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## WAGON MASTER RAMBLINGS

A BIG THANK YOU go out to all the folks who made the April 20<sup>th</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup> outing at the GOLDEN PALMS VILLAGE RV RESORT in HEMET a spectacular event! For starters, SHIRLEY LYNCH, you get hugs a bunch for getting the ball rolling by insisting we HEARTLANDERS must see the world famous longest running outdoor play in America "RAMONA." I was sure sorry you and THOMAS could not attend but you were missed! Then SHARON ROACH took the bull by the horns in setting up our reservation for us while she and TOM were staying the park. A real sweetheart, TRACY RODGERS, the GPVVRV group coordinator helped us all above and beyond the call of duty with setting up a comp space with tables for our outdoor activities, scheduling a SHUFFLEBOARD LESSON for us in the world class indoor facility, and forgiving charges to the two rigs that had to cancel at the last minute. (JERRY & MELINDA STACY and RALPH & JUDY STECKER we sure hope your rig problems are minor!) Super volunteer instructor HELEN welcomed us warmly then taught us some of the fine points of setting up the shuffleboards for play and the rules of play, then had us in tournament before we realized what was happening. Remember, it's not a puck but a DISK! The wonderful folks at LOS VACQUEROS CANTINA served up such a great dinner meal for our LEO (let's eat out) in their beautiful south of the border restaurant that many returned for lunch another time. And of course, STEPHANIE PARSSINEN, in charge of the Group Sales, our hat is off to you for setting up our seats and arranging for the shuttle bus picking us up at the RV Park for the 97<sup>th</sup> production of "RAMONA." You even had perfect outdoor weather for the most awesome and emotionally charged production of the history of the MORAN VALLEY and story of RAMONA. Also, creative writer PATRICA PARKINS, I look forward to your rally report and appreciate your stepping up. And last but not least, thank you to all of you who were so lucky to attend this worthwhile rally. And I really appreciate all the phone calls, cards and pats on the back thanking BETTY & TONY VINCENT and me for hosting this fun and educational get-a-way. PS, one of my favorite memories is of all you sitting around the circle holding bunnies and blowing your ducky bubbles!

### A few updates:

The Board has voted to forgo the Balloon Festival in October; it will not be an official California Heartland outing as we never got it off the ground in time to attend. Instead, however, we will attend THE LAKES RV and GOLF RESORT in CHOWCILLA starting Monday OCTOBER 2<sup>nd</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> with DAVE & SAM MENDONCA as trail boss. So be sure to mark your calendars with this change.

May 11<sup>th</sup> -14<sup>th</sup> we will see you at CASA DE FRUTA with SANDY EMERSON & KIM CUMMINGS trail bosses.

JUNE 5<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> FLYING FLAGS in BUELTON will be hosted by PAT PARKINS & JULIE BURGER. Watch for the sign-up sheet coming your way later this week.

So, until we meet up again, Blessings and Happy trails....**Julie Burger**



Julie finally got her motor home out of the hospital and back on the road again. See you at Casa de Fruta.

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# The Hemit playground

*Beautiful camping with all the fun activities...*



**This shuffle board floor was as smooth as glass.**



Wade and Jet out for a walk.

*HOSPITALITY*

Melinda Stacy has been in the hospital. Keep her in your thoughts and prayers.



The general meeting is held to inform you of all the event coming up and what will take place at this rally.



Food to share



Group gathering



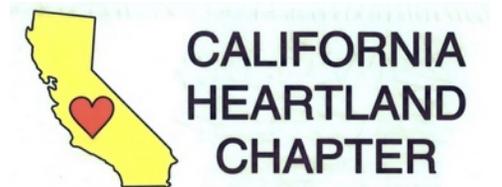
Sharing ideas

## Water Filters...

**Q** For the past five years we owned a fifth-wheel and used an external water-filter system consisting of a sediment filter (changed twice a year) and a charcoal filter (changed once a year). This system made the water more useable for us, and saved us the extra cost and weight of carrying more drinking water.. We now own a Class A coach with an in-line filter. We are still using our external-filter system, since we already have it. We know that most filters need to be changed at the most every year. By using my system, is there a need to still change the in-line filter once a year, or can we wait a little longer to change it?

**A** By using an eternal water filter before the in-line filter, you are reducing the amount of particles that the secondary filter is receiving and being called

upon to filter. This should have an effect on how often the filter should be changed. The micron rating of filters is important, to. You should have the coarser filter first, then the finer one. Part of the consideration is that you may pick up a load of water, which might clog up the filter more than at other times. I suggest that, when the time comes when you would normally replace the filter, open it up and examine the insides carefully. This will give you an idea of how much crud the filter has trapped, and although it will ruin the filter, it will give you a guideline interval for future replacements.





## Rally review by Pat Parkins....

We had a great outing in Hemet. It started with the early arrivals calling to tell us that there was a 3 ½ hour delay on 58 and 395, which is our normal way to the area east of LA.

We were met at Golden Palms Village resort by the lady with whom Julie Berger had made our outing arrangements. She took us to our RV spot which was larger and had two folding tables for us to use. Our group was to our right and then right behind us, the rest of the group were in the next row.

We met for happy hour beside the RV which was large enough for all of us to meet and be in the shade. Julie gave out updated schedule of events brochures on the resort and the play "Ramona". Also each coach got a large colorful pinwheel. We decided to go for a Leo which stands for "let's eat out". We went to Los Vaqueros' cantina and grill which was about 1 ½ blocks from the resort. The

decor was old Mexico. We sat around three tables put together for us. Our waitress rapidly took our orders for beverages and who was with who and who needed separate bills. She quickly served everyone and started taking our dinner orders. Meanwhile everyone at the tables were visiting with whomever was next to them. I heard about trips in the past and trips coming up this coming summer. This continued until my dinner was served. There was a sudden quiet. My mouth was open and all eyes were on my burrito. This burrito was approximately 10 inches long or more, 3 inches tall, and about 4 inches across. (It made four meals) we all enjoyed the Leo and visiting with not having to cook!!

We later heard from Arlen and Lee, who had not arrived yet and were having trouble with an electrical issue in their coach. They decided to spend the night at a rest stop and

then come in the next morning.

Friday morning we had breakfast burritos and fruit. Fred announced a board meeting for the next day and a group meeting. Arlen and Lee arrived. Several of us walked through the resort facilities they had three pools in a large clubhouse which was very beautiful. At 1:30 we met at the shuffleboard building. There, shuffleboard president, Helen, came and gave us a lesson on how to play and use their facility. We divided into four teams of three each. We found the court was like glass. It was hard to gauge how hard or easy to push the disc. Moans and groans were heard on both courts as the disc went too far or not far enough. Tony Vincent, Paul Schwab, and Hank Goulden were the high scorers.

At happy hour Julie gave out prizes for everyone. She gave a bag containing a Bunny, a big egg with M&Ms, and

either a duck or carrot. The duck or the carrot was full of bubbles. Suddenly the air was filled with bubbles and laughter. Then we enjoyed appetizers for dinner. On Saturday we went by shuttle bus to the play of "Ramona" which was the 97<sup>th</sup> year of production of this particular play. The play is performed on a mountainside. Some of us sat down close in the 95° heat to better see the actors' expressions and the rest of us were at the top under a shade. Everyone seemed to enjoy the play and some even shed a few tears. We decided that the actors had to be athletes due to having to appear all over the mountainside within minutes.

On Sunday we met for breakfast and goodbyes. Several members decided to stay over and enjoy the resort. The rest headed home, having enjoyed a wonderful outing.

By Pat Parkins

Items for sale:

2015 Entegra Aspire 39e (40 foot) Class A coach. Advertised locally in the Thrifty Nickel and Craigs List in the Visalia, Tulare area. Several pictures show off the coach. \$221,900 call Jerry (559) 300-0739

Contact Craigslist: <http://visalia.craigslist.org/ros/6094145849.html>

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