

SPARKS NEVADA

WITH CALIFORNIA HEARTLAND/FMCA



The great train ride...

Everyone had a great train ride from Carson City Nevada to Virginia City even though they were shot at by cannons. Looks like everyone survived, they are still smiling.

Web page to check on all the
Heartland pictures and newsletters.

<http://wafmca.com/?p=330>



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Heartland reports from Sparks



SEPTEMBER 2016

Fun times at a Heartland rally.

If you want to go back to the Sparks RV Park we have some credit days for you to enjoy for a great price.



President Fred Lockwood

Louise and Woody put on a super Sparks rally. The rally was a seven day affair with a lot to do, train ride, boat ride shopping malls, car show, Motor home show, and the famous barbecue cook off. The cook off was great. Jenelle & I spent two days there.

I received a thank you note from Doris Trutna thanking Heartland for the donation we sent in Wayne's name to his favorite charity. Wayne was a great guy inside and out and he will be greatly missed by Heartland.

We also extend our sympathy to David and Shirley Mendonca for the loss of his mother. I hope you all can make the Chowchilla rally

Happy Trails the Pres.



Welcome:

Mike and Laverne Gates



New Guest:

Jack and Mitzi Collins



Who are our leaders...

President: Fred Lockwood
 Vice President: Sandy Emerson
 Secretary: Shirley Mendonca
 Treasurer: Dave Mendonca
 Newsletter Editor: Jerry Olson
 Photographer: Dave Mendonca
 Directors: Gaden Schorling, Louise Wilson, Wade McKinley
 Wagon Master: Julie Burger
 Ass't. Wagon Master: Kim Cummings
 National Directors: John Kendall, Paul Schwab
 Hospitality: Nancy Olson
 Membership: Barbara Schwab
 Sheriff: Jenelle Lockwood



August and Sept. Birthdays...

Floyd Alger--9/28 John Buwalda--9/20
 Dave Dixon--8/11 Joy Elliott--9/29
 Sandy Emerson--9/10 Theresa Freitas--9/29
 LaVerne Gates--8/16 Beverly Gee--8/9
 Jean Hyduchak--9/3 Gloria Jelsvik--9/22
 John Kendall--8/17 Clifford Ketchie--9/26
 Shirley Lynch--8/14 Wade McKinley--8/24
 Jessie Oliveira--8/31 Nancy Olson--9/30
 Gordon Peterson--9/23 Bridget Post--8/14
 Judy Schorling--8/14 Arlon Lee--9/16
 Skip Scott--9/11 Maria Silva--9/8
 Jean Smith--9/22 Judy Stecker--8/18
 Doris Trutna--9/25 Geary Wilson--9/2
 Dutch Aldrich--9/17



August and Sept. Anniversaries...

Dave & Karen Dixon--8/21/65
 Roger & Mona Elliott--9/21/85
 John & Sue Kendall--8/31/96
 Tom & Shirley Lynch--9/4/55
 Pat & Carol Maffia--8/9
 Ray & Valarie Marin--8/29/83
 Wade & Barbara McKinley--9/12/59
 Ron & Pat Neve--8/18/62
 Gary & Jean Smith--9/29/2010
 Tony & Betty Vincent--8/30/53
 Woody & Louise Wilson--8/19/56
 John & Shirley Sudduth--8/20/58

Secretary's report...

California Heartland FMCA General Meeting Minutes

DATE: 09/05/2016

LOCATION: Sparks, Nev.

Number of rigs- 14

Number of members- 27

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY: President Fred Lockwood TIME: 6:31 p.m.

REPORTS:

President- Fred Lockwood- Thanked Woody and Louise Wilson for the fine job they did as Trail Bosses. President Fred Lockwood introduced our guests, Coleen and Dean Grabow and Mitzi and Jack Collins.

VICE PRESIDENT: Sandy Emerson-Absent

SECRETARY: Shirley Mendonca: The General Meeting minutes were read, approved by the Board and printed in the Newsletter to be read by the Membership.

TREASURER: Dave Mendonca: Gave the balance as of Sept. 05, 2016- \$\$8,755.88

WAGON MASTER: Julie Burger; Julie gave our guest Coleen and Dean Grabow and Mitzi and Jack Collins a gift of California Heartland playing cards as a welcome gift. She surprised Woody and Louise Wilson with gifts of T-shirts for being Trail bosses for this rally. Dave Mendonca reported on the Oct rally at Chowchilla. The theme will be "The Baseball Daze." There will be a hat contest with prizes. There will also be free golf for anyone who would like to play. The deadline to register has been extended until Wed. September 07; there is a possibility for a space available. Please call Gaden for details. Ron Peterson reported on the rally in Hanford, everything is set to go. Velda reported on the Dec. rally, everything is in order.

Asst. Wagon Master- Kim Cummings- Absent

NATIONAL DIRECTOR: John Kendall- Absent

ASST NATIONAL DIRECTOR: Paul Schwab –Absent

DIRECTORS: - Wade McKinley- Nothing to report- Gaden Schorling- Absent. - Louise Wilson- Nothing to report

EDITOR: Jerry Olson – Absent. Fred reported that Jerry asked him to remind everyone that all reports and etc. need to be turned in to him within the following week of the rally.

MEMBERSHIP- Barbara Schwab- Absent **HISTORIAN/PHOTOGRAPHER:** Dave Mendonca – nothing to report

SHERIFF - Janelle Lockwood – Collected fines from the members for not wearing their badges and etc. Stated that she would be having a very nice surprise for some of our members at the Nov. rally.

OLD BUSINESS- Nothing to report

New Business- President Fred Lockwood reported the club had received a very nice letter from Doris Trutna in regards of the donation the club made in the behalf of her husband Wayne.

Birthdays- None to report- **Anniversaries-** None to report

Meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

California Heartland FMCA Chapter Secretary- Shirley Mendonca



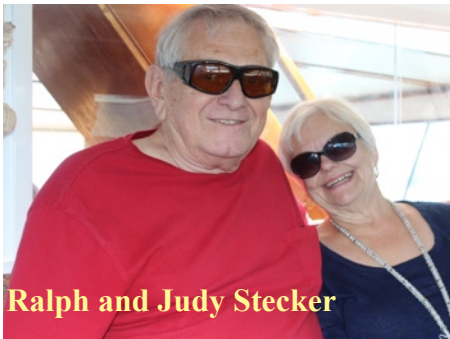
Our great working team...

When ever there is food to be prepared, this team knows how to put everything together.



Lets take a boat trip on
Lake Tahoe

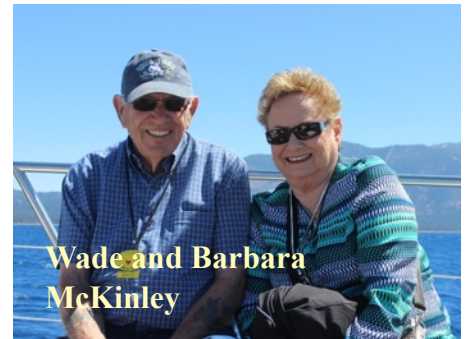
Perfect day for a boat ride..



Ralph and Judy Stecker



Captain Ron Reimer



Wade and Barbara
McKinley



Ron, Mariam, Judy and Betty



New Guest--Dean and Colleen Grabow



Captain may I.....



Happy Hour

Financial Report...

CALIFORNIA HEARTLAND CHAPTER - FMCA

Treasurers Report - September 07, 2016

Beginning Balance			\$7,828.84
Monies Received and Deposited :			
9/2/2016 Deposit Sparks Rally Fees		\$4,456.00	
	Sub Total	\$4,456.00	\$12,284.84
Disbursements:			
6/28/16 #2917	Jerry Olson	Printer Cartridge for newsletter	\$44.34
7/15/16 #2918	Youth for Christ	Memoriam for Wayne Trutna	\$50.00
9/7/16 #2919	blank for emergency	Issued to President	\$0.00
9/7/16 #2920	blank for emergency	Issued to President	\$0.00
9/7/16 #2921	blank for emergency	Issued to President	\$0.00
9/7/16 #2922	blank for emergency	Issued to President	\$0.00
9/7/16 #2923	Void- see debit Card	Book Keeping convenience	\$0.00
9/1/16 Debit Card	Sparks Marina RV	Sparks Rally Parking	\$3,434.62
9/5/16 #2924	Louise Wilson	Sparks Rally food	\$200.00
9/5/16 Debit Card	Pizza Plus Sparks	Pizza Party Sparks final night	\$68.73
	Total Expenses		\$3,797.69
Ending Balance			\$8,487.15

Notes to Statement: There will be several "advance deposits" for 2016 rallies

Current Advance Deposits:	Hanford	Show	\$260.00	Paid out
	Chowchilla	Deposit	\$100.00	Paid out
	Sparks	Deposit	\$270.00	Deposit credits carried to 2017
	Buellton	Deposit	\$400.00	Deposit credits carried to 2017

Dave Mendonca Treasurer

Recap of the Sparks, Nev. Rally

By Sam Mendonca

First I would like to say that we missed those members who weren't able to attend the Sparks, Nev. Rally. We hope to see you in October at Chowchilla.

The Sparks rally was very enjoyable with so many things to do. The main event was the BBQ ribs contest held at the Nugget in Sparks. There were many different types of ribs to try and enjoy and of course many vendors with so many different things for sale.

Woody and Louise were our Trail Bosses and Louise set up two very fun things for the members to enjoy. One was a nice cruise around Lake Tahoe with lunch aboard the boat. The other one was a very interesting train ride from Carson City to Virginia City where the train was shot at by cannons along the way. We also saw wild horses, nonworking mines, and some mines that are still working today. Once we survived the train ride we were able to go on our own for lunch and visit the many different shops, and of course to find that special thing that we just couldn't live without.

Needless to say that some of the members ventured out to the casino to try their luck at the slots and Black Jack. I heard some did well and some not so well.

Every morning the members met for some very delicious food to start our day. In the evenings the members got together to talk about their day's adventures and variety of great finger food. The last night of the rally we met at the clubhouse for some very good tasty pizza and to say our goodbyes for leaving the next day.

The rally was for one week instead of three days. Louise and Woody did an excellent job of making everything very enjoyable. Thank you!

Hospitality report...

We were so saddened with the unexpected death of our longtime member Wayne Tretna. He died due to a fall. His funeral service was held July 20 at New Covenant Community Church. He will be greatly missed as one of our great volunteers.

Also, we were sad to hear about the passing of Dave Mendonca's mother. Many of us will continue to cherish the beautiful quilts we were blessed to receive from her efforts.

Please inform me of anything that I as your hospitality chairman should know about.





Trail Boss leaders are rewarded with free parking and food for the official days of the rally they lead. You will always have lots of helpers to help run the rally, all you have to do is ask. Every rally is always a little different because each trail boss has different interests and that gives each rally with a different flavor. Julie will need your help with the 2017 rally dates that are being set up. Step up and help out.

Trail Bosses are always rewarded for the extra effort they put into a rally. Try one and you will see.

Get the rope...



Cattle wrestlers did not live long in the old west..Here are two helpers or deputies.

Meet new friends...



Hey, I'm not getting much of the shade.

Rib cook off day...



I'm so full I have to take a rest stop.



Lets take the bus, I'm tired of walking.

Highlights to remember



If you were not at the rally, where were you!

Niagara Falls...



Amish fine furniture



Entegra Factory



Visit an Amish animal farm



New York One World trade center and Times Square



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