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SOUTH LOAFERS NEWSLETTER

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

The January camp out was held at Quartzite, Arizona, January 18-25. The wagon masters were Bruce & Corinne Mitchell with co-wagon masters Dick & Virginia Brubaker.

There were 25 rigs present with the following:

Jim & Vonnie Beard

Joe & Shirley Beemer

Al & Ernestine Blattler

John & Belle Bohn*

Dick & Virginia Brubaker

Dean & Joyce Fisher

Pete & Roseanne Halpin

Bob & Charlene Kortgard

Jerry & Alice Lebcke

Craig & Joyce McDowell & Joyce Shoen

Bruce & Corrine Mitchell

Dave & Janice Moore

Jim & Raija Reed* (transfers from the Road Runners)

Jerry & Jan Strawn

Rick & Kathy Trenergy

Gil & Margaret Turpin*

Jim & Carol Vandepas

Don & Jan Wallace (and daughter, Jackie)

Chris Walsh

Jon & Barbara Zedekar

* denotes first time attendees

Guests included:

Don & Karen Cromwell (Road Runners)

John and Janet Hanley (friends of the Moores)

Roman & Dorothy Klimkiewicz (former South Loafers)

Jack & Jean Sprat (friends of the Zedekars)

Dick & Junaita Stewart (friends of the Wallaces)

We had typical Quartzite weather, cool mornings with daytime temperatures in the upper 60's. The cold mornings kept our wagon master, Bruce, busy building fires to keep the early birds warm.

The wagon masters, Bruce and Corinne and Dick and Virginia, did a super job of keeping us well fed with rolls and coffee each morning, two wagon master dinners, a pot luck dinner, and a pancake breakfast on Sunday. In fact, they did such a great job we all voted to make them the Quartzite hosts from now on. Bruce declined.

With all the eating and fellowship, we still had time to go into Quartzite and shop.

For those of you who did not attend this outing, you will be glad to know that one of our members has been declared "mister goodwrench." That would be Craig McDowell. Dean's generator would not start, so Craig, with the help of three or four onlookers, disassembled the generator, found the problem (a sticking intake valve), and using a little WD-40 got it freed-up and reassembled. It started right up, but for the last time, as Dean went out and purchased a new generator. Later the same day, Craig helped Pete Halpin resolve an inverter/battery problem. He was also known to fill generators that were low on fuel. So if you have any problems during future camp outs and Craig is attending, you can stop by and say hello. Who knows, you may need his help.

Saturday afternoon we held our "white elephant" sale which was a great success with Jon Zedekar and Joe Beemer doing the auctioneering; watch out for these two guys. There were a lot of useful things purchased and some useless things also. They got Pete Halpin, a.k.a. "slick" to pay \$13.00 for a box of plastic name badge holders. Jon and Joe were fun to watch, working the buyers, and raising \$165.50 for the club treasury.

Pete had the last laugh, however, as he won the 50/50 drawing and got \$76.00 as his share of the pot.

The Sheriff, Jan Wallace, collected \$34.00 in fines. We must have caught her on a bad day,

For those of you who have not attended a camp out lately, you're missing out on a lot of fun; we have a great group of people who will make you feel right at home. So come join us at our next outing at the Chula Vista RV Resort March 23-26. See the attached sign up sheet.

Al Blattler, President

Minutes of Quartzsite Meeting

January 21, 2006

The meeting was called to order at 10:04 a.m. by President, Al Blattler

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Jim Beard.

Al introduced the new members: John & Belle Bohn, Gil & Margaret Turpin, Jim & Raija Reed (transferred from the Road Runners); and guests Roman & Dorothy Klimkiewicz, John & Janette Hanley, Don & Karen Cromwell, Dick & Juanita Stewart, and Jack & Jean Sprat.

The Minutes of the last meeting were approved as mailed.

The treasure's report was given and approved as read.

Sunshine Report

Alice Lebcke and Dorothy Klimkiewics both had birthdays. Betty Polenske is not doing very well. A card for Phyllis Hatcher was sent around for everyone to sign.

If you have any items for our rally basket they can be brought to the March outing or bring them to the rally in April.

If you know of anyone who has been ill or in the hospital, please contact Jan Wallace.

National Board of Directors

The rally is at Emerald Desert Resort in Palm Springs, April 19-26, 2006. There are still sites available. The deadline for sending in your reservation is January 31st.

Registration fees must be paid in full (no partial registrations). No children under the age of 18 are allowed to stay overnight at the park. This is a park regulation. The \$50 registration covers one rig with two people. Each additional person will cost an additional \$25. Meal tickets will be in your registration packet. You must have a ticket to eat. At this years rally, there will be no skits or arcade games.

An order form for the South Loafers polo shirts is enclosed. These are shirts we wear as a group at the rally.

The RV Safety & Education Foundation will be at Emerald Desert to preweigh prior to parking for anyone wishing to have their rigs weighed. They will only be weighing on arrival day (April 19th). The cost is \$49 for motorhome or truck and trailer and an additional \$10 for a towed car.

Old Business

The March outing will be in Chula Vista, March 23-26th. The cost is \$31.35 per night. There is also a \$1.00 per day per animal fee. If you wish to come a day earlier or stay a day later, you can get the group rate. A flier for the camp out is enclosed.

We need wagon masters for the October 2006 camp out.

Flags are available for \$10.00.
Badges are \$10.00.
South Loafer decals are \$5.00.
Club vests are available from Charlene Kortgard at a charge of \$10.00 each.

New Business

The 2006 club dues are now due. They are \$15 per rig. If dues are not received by the March camp out, your name will be dropped from the roster. Please make your check payable to Charlene Kortgard and mail to 17432 Mapes Avenue, Cerritos, CA 90703-5516. If there is an asterisk (*) next to your name, your 2006 dues have been paid.

A nominating committee of Shirley Beemer and Jan Wallace will get nominations for officers to be voted on at our March camp out. If you are interested in serving as an officer please contact Shirley or Jan. The offices are President, Vice President, Secretary/Treasurer, Board of Directors and Board of Director Alternates.

There was a discussion as to whether we should take the June camp outs out of our By-Laws as we haven't been having any June outings. It was moved, seconded, and passed to leave it in.

There was a discussion as to what a proper uniform entailed and when we were to wear them. A proper uniform is dark pants, a white shirt, and our club vest. They are to be worn at all club meetings and club activities at the National Rally. Name badges are to be worn at all times (beware of our Sheriff who notices if your not wearing it).

It was voted to permanently have a white elephant sale at our January camp out.

It was also decided that to win the 50/50 drawing you had to be present.

Upcoming Camp Outs

March 23-26, 2006	Chula Vista RV Resort, Chula Vista, CA Wagon masters: Al & Ernestine Blattler and Bob & Sandi Goodwin
April 19-26, 2006	National Rally Palm Springs, California
August 2006	Dunsmuir, CA Wagon masters: Bill & Joan Weaver and Jon & Barbara Zedekar
October 2006	TBD
January 2007	Quartzite
March 2007	TBD Wagon masters: Joe & Shirley Beemer and Bill & Dorene Sims

The meeting adjourned at 11:58 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Charlene Kortgard
Secretary/Treasurer