



CUATRO ESTADOS NEWSLETTER February 2021

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PREZ SEZ...

HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY also called Saint Valentine's Day or the Feast of Saint Valentine.

There are a number of martyrdom stories associated with various Valentines connected to February 14, including an account of the imprisonment of Saint Valentine of Rome for ministering to Christians persecuted under the Roman Empire in the third century. According to an early tradition, Saint Valentine restored sight to the blind daughter of his jailer.



Numerous later additions to the legend have better related it to the theme of love: an 18th-century embellishment to the legend claims he wrote the jailer's daughter a letter signed "Your Valentine" as a farewell before his execution. Another addition posts that Saint Valentine performed weddings for Christian soldiers who were forbidden to marry.

I know many of you feel like you have been imprisoned like St. Valentine and this will soon be behind us. Oh by the way I ordered an extension course called "How to Deal With Life's Disappointments".

Yesterday, I got the first lesson by mail. It was an empty envelope! I hope you take time to show your love and appreciation to all those you love. More importantly in these times be kind to yourself and love the person in the mirror. It has been a rough year to be sure.

We are already looking for members who will take over officer positions for next year (2022). I know it seems REALLY early ... but **our wagon master is having to step down and I'm looking for a replacement.** Interested in seeing the adventures continue? Then take a turn at serving your chapter! We need a "fresh blood" infusion. And if you have rally location ideas by all means PLEASE share them with us!

Becky at coulter06@comcast.net, or 505-553-5896

CUATRO ESTADOS FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2020 THROUGH December 31,2020

Beginning Balance, January 1, 2020: \$1,034.38 Income Dues 2020: 1190.00 New memberships: 339.50 T-shirt sales: 246.00 Total Income: \$1775.50 Total beginning Balance and Income: \$2809.88

Expenses 2-yr. domain renewal: 216.34 Badges & bolos: 217.50 Directory: 385.51 Posters: 70.64 T-shirt refund: 20.00 Chapter fair: 30.00 **Total Expense: \$939.99**

Ending Balance, December 31, 2020: \$1869.89

Savings Account Balance is \$5.00 to hold membership and checking account in the Sandia Area Federal Credit Union.

READY FOR OUR FIRST RALLIES OF THE 2021 CAMPING SEASON?

Here is what's happening March 22 to April 3. Ten rigs and 20 excited people are going on a Rolling Rally to Big Bend State Park and Big Bend National Park. The weather is supposed to be warmer than usual and I know we are going to have a spectacular time. The reservations and planning has been in the works for a long time and the trip is full at this time, but we will be posting a trip review and some great pictures in the May newsletter.

Our April 20-26 Rally in Winslow, AZ is on schedule. See Rally Schedule below.

APRIL RALLY Winslow, AZ

Come join us for a Rockin' good time. We are in site #39. Spaces are almost full so make your reservations today!

Rocking Rally- "Take it Easy"

April 20-26 Winslow, AZ -Homolovie State Park Campground, wwwazstateparks.com/homolovi-877-697-2752 Rallymasters- Vallarie Erickson & Brian Smith, 303-880-3142, Woffi1963@gmail.com



RALLY SCHEDULE Tuesday, April 20 - Arrival: 3:30 meet and greet, walk the Campground, happy hour BYOB and a snack to share site #39

Wednesday-21st - 9-10am continental breakfast provided, meet at 10am to head to downtown Winslow, stand on the famous corner, 66 motor palace and visit the Old trail museum.

4pm happy hour followed by a potluck.

Thursday-22nd - 9am head out for Rock Art Ranch where we will see prehistoric petroglyphs, old ruins, Navajo dwellings and much more! Happy hour at 4pm.

Friday-23rd- free day, we will provide a BBQ and outdoor games around 3pm

Saturday, 24th- 9am we will drive to Walnut Canyon, there are cliff dwellings, hiking and many other activities, we can walk to the overview and see the canyon if you do not want to walk. Bring a picnic lunch and we will find a nice spot to enjoy are surroundings. Upon returning to RV park, we will have are nightly happy hour with everyone bringing a snack.

Sunday, 25th- 10am we will go to meteor canyon and enjoy lunch in town.

Monday, 26th- we will have coffee and say our good byes.

Itinerary subject to change.

We will all need to sign COVID-19 waiver which will be emailed to you prior to the rally. There will be a \$8.00 rally fee per couple.

Looking forward to seeing and meeting you there! Vallarie and Brian 303-880-3141



MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY

2021 MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY – Watch for It! Bob Coulter has been working hard putting together all the info about our members for this year's edition of our directory. Hopefully, you all sent him your updated contact info, rig information, photo, etc. so that we'll all have the most up-to-date info on one another. FYI -- The biggest problem we seem to encounter the most often throughout each year is members change email addresses and cell phone numbers (the two main ways we communicate with you) and you don't tell us. Please keep your info up to date with us. You should be receiving your directory by the end of this month via postal service. Just please keep in mind this information is for personal use of members only, and not to be given out to any other entity or used for any commercial purpose. THANKS, BOB for providing this invaluable service to Cuatro Estados!

And remember, the Alumni Section of the membership directory will be discontinued IN 2021. Please keep your 2020 directory or put numbers and addresses of former members in your phone or address book if desired.



How Sweet is this! From an interested party

Hi Gene (and crew),

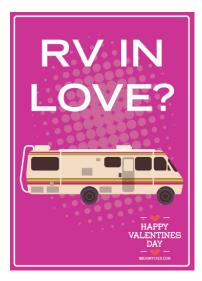
I eventually landed at your website (which is great by the way!) but started by searching chapters from within FMCA. I've been searching online within the FMCA website for almost the whole year-and-a-half that we have been FMCA members. The recent FMCA magazine listed everyone and it prompted me to take, yet again, another look. I had reached out to several. Some don't take travel trailers. Some just looked like they just sit around. You all, on the website, looked like you do interesting things and are active, interested, and adventurous. That would work for us as we are pretty active. Since we've been RVing (about 2 years) we have traveled from Las Vegas to Arkansas, Montana, Idaho, Wyoming, California, Utah many times, Nevada, New Mexico We aim to camp at least once every month!

Thank you for having us visit your rally! We are looking forward to it.

I will jump into the website again and look for that Covid Waiver Form. Luckily for us Covid didn't put a crimp in our camping. We were carrying our own bathroom and supplies with us so we felt safe. At campsites, we stayed 10' apart and masked when walking on the roads.

We will review the rally 'what to expect' info as well!

:-) Cheryl



Cuatro Estados 2021 Rockin' Rollin' Recovery Tour

Mar 22-Apr 3: Rollin' along the Big Bend (FULL)

Big Bend, TX Various Campgrounds selected by Bob and Becky – to (10 rig limit), Balmorhea St, Park, Ft Davis National Historic site, Marfa Lights, Big Bend State park, Big Bend National park.

Rollin' Master: Bob and Becky Coulter, 505-814-1293, Coulter06@comcast.net This is a two- week rolliln' rally with overnight stays at various parks along the way.

April 20-26: Rockin' Rally – Take It Easy

Winslow, AZ Homolovi State Park Campground, wwwazstateparks.com/homolovi) 877 697-2752 Rockin'Master: Vallarie Erickson & Brian Smith, 303-880-3141, Woffi1963@gmail.com Stand on the corner in Winslow. Arizona like the Eagles; visit Homolovi State Park, Painted Desert, Petrified forest, a Harvey House, and maybe even a Star Party

May 17-22 Recovery Rally (a do over of a well-planned 2020 rally)

Littleton, CO Chatfield Lake state park (www.cpwshop.com), 505-553-5896 See what we got Covid'ed out of in 2020

Rollin'Master: Jim & Joan Glasmann, 303-870-2964, jim_glassman@msn.com and Bill & Beverly Eckel, 505-833-1569, bbecjek_2007@yahoo.com If you've never been fortunate enough to tour Denver area, here's your chance! Sitting at the eastern edge of the Rockies, their majestic "fourteeners" towering above, Denver offers the perfect blend of big city adventures and nature's playground as its backyard. Take the fun train to the 16th Street downtown open-air mall chockfull of sidewalk cafes & entertainment & clever stores and play one of the several pianos up and down the street. Drive the only paved road that goes to the top of a 14ers, Mt Evans, to see wildflowers & herds of mountain goats. Visit the outdoor amphitheater in Red Rocks Park and stay for the fun hiking trails. And so much more!

June 7-13 Recovery Rally (a do over of a well- planned 2020 rally) North Salt Lake City, UT See what we got Covided out of in 2020 Pony Express RV Resort 877 -421-7002

Rollin' Masters: Bob & Sharee Scott 505-453-8643, rwscott234@gmail.com And Joyce Schmitt 505-321-4501, j2b3s@msn.com From the Great Salt Lake to the west to the ski slopes of the Wasatch Mountains to the east, adventures abound in all directions. The RV Park is located just 6 or 7 miles from the State Capitol and Temple Square, and adjacent to the Jordan River & a state OHV rec area. Several National Historic Trails route through SLC. Some of the best-preserved historical areas are in and around SLC. Several scenic mountain roads offer access to endless hiking and picnicking along rushing creeks and waterfalls. The ski villages offer summer activities also.

June 9-13: RMMA Area 1 Rally (for those who can't make it to Utah) Albuquerque, NM: Enchanted Trails RV Park, 505-831-6317 Rally Coordinator: Volunteer needed

July 21-26 Rockin' Mountain High Rally

Leadville, CO Sugar Loafin' Campground 719-486-1031 Rollin' Masters: Don & Linda Feltner 303-232-0859, donlindaafeltner4339@gmail.com and Kevin & Paula Gurnsey, 303-829-9932, pmbake66@gmail.com

At 10,152 feet above sea level, Leadville is the highest incorporated city in North America. Colorado's two tallest fourteeners — mountains higher than 14,000 feet — tower above the area, including 14,433-foot Mt. Elbert and 14,421-foot Mt. Massive. Twin Lakes, located adjacent to the state's two largest glacial lakes in the shadow of Mt. Elbert, provides gorgeous views of the neighboring summits and is a popular spot for photographers. A drive on the 'Top of the Rockies' Scenic and Historic Byway is an excellent way to capture Lake County's best views. The 82-mile route traverses the 12,095-foot Independence Pass, affording sights of sky-scraping peaks, sprawling valleys and reflective lakes.

August 28- September 2 Rockin' along the Rio Grande River Del Norte, CO Woods and River Campground 719-657-4530, www.woodsandrivercamping.com Rockin' Masters: Gene and Rosie Dorsey 505-974-1845,

gene.dorsey@msn.com

Located at a relatively higher altitude than its neighboring towns, Del Norte boasts of a balanced landscape that allows tourists to enjoy beginner to advanced hiking trails. Since the town is also rich when it comes to wooded and water resources, camping, fishing, and rock climbing became one of the top activities in the area.

September 13-19 Rollin' Rally (From Palo Duro Rocks to Rockin' with Buddy Holly)

13-16 Palo Duro Canyon, TX Palo Duro RV Park Canyon TX 806-488-2548 www.palodurorvpark.com

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16-19 Lubbock, TX Lubbock RV Park, www.lubbockrvpark.com, 806-747-2366 **Rollin' Masters:** MJ Brenner & Mike Rozdilski, 773-368-3535, rio365@aol.com Palo Duro Canyon (from the Spanish meaning "hard wood" or, more exactly, "hard stick") has been named "The Grand Canyon of Texas" both for its size and for its dramatic geological features, including the multicolored layers of rock and steep mesa walls similar to those in the Grand Canyon. Lubbock is known as the birthplace of rock 'n' roll legend Buddy Holly. The Buddy Holly Center celebrates his life and music with artifacts and mementos. Nearby is the West Texas Walk of Fame, with a statue of Holly and plaques honoring musicians from the region. The Museum of Texas Tech University houses millions of objects of art, history and paleontology, plus the Moody Planetarium.

October 1-7 Rockin' with the Ghosts

Abiquiu, NM Ghost Ranch RV Park, 505-685-1000, www.ghostranch.org Rollin' Masters: George & Pamela Raney 618-698-4215/505-231-8089 georgepamr@gmail.com

George has given tours for several years and we are lucky to have him as our Ghost Ranch guide during Fall color season.

Ghost Ranch is a 21,000-acre retreat and education center located close to the village of Abiquiú New Mexico. It was the home and studio of Georgia O'Keeffe, as well as the subject of many of her paintings. Ghost Ranch is also known for a remarkable concentration of fossils, most notably that of the theropod dinosaur Coelophysis, of which it has been estimated that nearly a thousand individuals have been preserved in a quarry at Ghost Ranch.

November 29-December 3 Rowin' Christmas on the Pecos

Carlsbad, NM Carlsbad KOA Holiday, 575-457-2008 or Stay in a Hotel if your rig is winterized.

Rowin' Hosts: Richard & Susan Houston, 575-706-4470 or 575-706-0748, Susan1@bajabb.com or rhouston@bajabb.com The Houstons will be our hosts but GET YOUR TICKETS EARLY It doesn't get any better than Christmas in Carlsbad, and this annual river event is sure to kick off the holiday spirit right. This boat ride will take you through one of the most extravagant and delightful light shows right on the Pecos river. Get ready to hop aboard a boat in Carlsbad and see what beautiful twinkling displays have been put together this year for a holiday event unlike any other.

