



CUATRO ESTADOS JANUARY 2020

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HAPPY NEW YEAR ALL YOU CUATROS!

Well we have done it; another year has passed. Can you believe its 2020?

First, I would like to thank Rae Phillips for all she has done for the club for the many years to keep it afloat. She has been a one-woman dynamo. I am sure I won't be able to fill her shoes, but I am willing to try. Thank you from the

bottom of our hearts Rae.

I am so happy that the club is growing by leaps and bounds, and it is mainly through word of mouth. Thank you for telling others and thank you for your participation.

As you know with the beginning of the New Year many people make resolutions and join gyms to improve their health. Did you know being active in our camping club is the best thing you can do for your health? Disease is born from disconnection. Staying involved with friends and nature is the true prescription for healing your body, mind and heart.

Wishing you 12 months of success, 52 weeks of laughter, 365 days of fun, 8760 hours of joy, 525600 minutes of good luck and 31536000 seconds of happiness. Let's make new travel plans and memories together!

Becky

CUATRO ESTADOS FINANCIAL STATEMENT January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019

Beginning Balance, January 1, 2019: \$1,483.97

Income:

Dues, 2019 285.00

Dues, 2020 570.00

New memberships (17!) 660.00

T-shirt sales 186.00

Donations 20.00

Total Income \$1721.00

Total beginning Balance and Income: \$3204.97

Expenses:

T-shirt order 489.62

Badges & bolos 461.50

Rally enhancement 450.00

Website 211.75

Directory 316.52

Nat. Director stipend 200.00

Postage stamps 16.20

Account adjustment 15.00 Chapter fair 10.00

Total Expense \$2170.59

Ending Balance, June 30, 2019: \$1034.38

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

CHAPTER DUES FOR 2020 NO LATER THAN JANUARY 30

If you haven't paid your dues for 2020, please do so soon because the cutoff date is January 30. If you have any questions about whether or not you are current on your dues, contact Lynn Buckingham at lynnbuck2@msn.com. She will collect dues any time you care to send her a check, made out to Cuatro Estados, for your 2020 dues and mail to Lynn Buckingham, 11508 Nassau NE, Albuquerque 87111.

Budget issues prompted us to vote in an increase starting in 2020; dues will be \$10 per person or \$20 per couple.

WE NEED YOUR MUG SHOT!

Got a new Rig or Tow Car? Moved? Leaving Us?

If you are a new single member, we would like to get a close-up photo of you. If you are a new couple, we would like a close-up photo of both. Please no hats or sunglasses blocking your face. If we already have your photo disregard. We also know a number of you have new rigs, and/or maybe even moved. Please check your current listing in the Directory and advise us of any changes. Bob Coulter is already working hard on updating the membership directory for 2020.

Also, if you do not wish to continue in 2020 please let us know so we won't be waiting for your dues in January.

If we do not get your photos, we reserve the right to use any photo available

(unusual creative image). Please email your photos & changes, complete with your name(s) to Bob Coulter at coulter6@comcast.net THANK YOU!

FROM THE PRESIDENT, CHANGES IN 2020

Due to the number of people in our club we will no longer be tracking individual's birthdays or anniversaries it is too time consuming for our Newsletter Editor. We will continue the Alumni Members section without the photos to reduce costs. If you are alumni and would like a copy of the directory OR an active member and want an additional one, they are \$ 5.00. We will no longer be offering the \$50 incentive fee to rally masters to host rallies. Since we have raised dues \$2.50 per person, we may be able to afford that in the future. I would like to remind rally masters to keep track of your costs for items provided to attendees at your rally and charge each person a rally fee not to exceed \$5 per person. For clarification see our website "cuatroestados.com" under rally master duties and information under the board members section.

A NICE GESTURE

One of our members has graciously agreed to send out cards from the club and has been doing this since August 2019. If you know of a member who is sick or has had a death in their immediate family, please contact Beverly Eckel.

RALLY NEWS

Visit our website cuatroestados.com and check out the Rally Tab for the complete and detailed information about upcoming rallies. Also visit our Facebook page to see the latest photos from rallies, plus Bill Eckel's videos. See how much fun we Cuatro Estados members have at our rallies! Any questions, contact Wagonmaster Gene Dorsey Gene.dorsey@msn.com, 505 974-1845) or the rallymaster.

WELCOME TO TUSCON ARIZONA IN MARCH!

Check out the registration and details on FMCA.com or Family RVing magazine. Come three days early to TUCSON ARIZONA March 23-25 for the Chapter Volunteer (Week) and get 3 free nights. The work is light, and it is fun well as rewarding! You will meet people from all over our area and the U.S. and form bonds and friendships. By coming early, you will already be parked and beat the rush. Some of the things you can do are help with security, parking, registration, transportation (drive trams or golf carts), help with seminars etc.

Then attend the FMCA 101ST International Convention & RV Expo, www.fmca.com. Register for the convention then join us as volunteers for 3 free nights March 26-29 The Entertainment is excellent, the seminars educational and informative, and there's no end to the things you can buy for your RV – and even a new one of those if you like! We will again be participating in the chapter fair, so will need help with that, so plan to join us early!

Contact our Chapter Coordinators for more information: Tom & Pat Krouse 970-433-0531 tompatkrouse@bresnan.net

URGENT INFO FOR UPCOMING RALLIES

Denver Rally at Chatfield June 14 to 19: Sites are already half gone Time is already short to reserve a site at Chatfield in Denver for the rally for June 14 – 19. Make reservations soon at 800-244-5613 or on line at Reserve America. Reserve in Loop D for full hookups, or if D is all filled up, Loop C (electric only). Sites 115-125 are the closest to D loop. This is a Great Campground and there will be lots of great places to see on this rally. Contact Rallymasters: Joan & Jim Glasmann 303-870-2964 jim_glasmann@msn.com or Bev Eckel 505-833-1569 bbeckel_2007@yahoo.com

MESA Rally at IN APRIL (17-21): January 15th is the deadline for scheduling the RV park and Amazon tour. You don't want to be left out of the fun. You were sent a separate email which outlined the schedule, we don't want you to miss out on this! Make your reservations now at the Good Life

RV Resort 480-832-4990 then contact: Nancy & Ernest Keith 417-861-4528 nancykeith@missourstate.edu or Karen & Roger Redman 505-362-2219 redmankl@comcast.net





CUATRO ESTADOS 2020 RALLY SCHEDULE (abbreviated) Boondocks, Backroads, and Big Cities

January 8-12: INDIO, CA FMCA Western Area Rally

January 21-27: DEATH VALLEY NATIONAL PARK, CA

March 23-2: TUCSON, AZ Chapter Volunteer Week FUN, EASY,

REWARDING

April 17-21: MESA, AZ

May 12-18: TORREY, UT/CAPITAL REEF NP

June 14-19: DENVER/LITTLETON, CO

July 15-19: TAOS, NM

August18-24: GLENWOOD SPRINGS (SILT)

September 21-27: NORTH SALT LAKE CITY, UT

October 14-20: CAMP VERDE, AZ

November 12-15: TBD

REPORT ON CHRISTMAS PARTY DECEMBER 7

On a lovely December day, we had our party and luncheon with the usual great food and lots of cheer! Attending were: MJ Brenner & Mike Rozdilsky, Linda & Carl Threatt, Mike & Donna Van Rooy, Ted & Phyllis Carr, Stephanie & Phillip Bishop, Frank & Dessa Halasz, Bill & Beverly Eckel, Roger & Karen Redman, Fernando & Diana Vasquez, Ed & Edith Osborn and your hosts, Buck & Lynn Buckingham. It was great to have so many of the newer members there!

After lunch, those who opted to do so played a couple of kinda whacky games. #1 was one Becky Coulter donated to the cause. 3 volunteers tied kleenex boxes to their waists and the boxes, with sets of jingles bells inside, were in the back. The object of this was to see who could empty their box first, all gyrating to the tune of "Jingle Bell Rock". Linda Threatt quickly won this one and received a jingle bell necklace for her efforts. She had all the right moves!

The second game was one we had done a few years ago and was fun to repeat. Two volunteers were live Christmas trees, decorated with odd stuff I came up with, by teams of other attendees. Karen Redman and Fernando Vasquez were the trees, so we called them Mr. and Mrs. Christmas Tree. Fernando's team won this with a vote, but Karen's was close behind. Both games were fun and even if you didn't participate, it was fun to watch. After the games, we had the gift exchange, which, I think, everyone participated in, either as singles or couples. Not much stealing going on, but it was amazing how many cool things one could get for a \$10 value! Some also brought gifts to be donated to "Toys for Tots", to be delivered by Eckels. That about wrapped it up for another year, with many wishes for a Merry Christmas and a wonderful season







