



Us Club Newsletter

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Us CLUB ON THE MOVE

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Now that summer is over, I know that everyone has enjoyed traveling and had lots of fun in the beautiful weather. Let me tell you about some exciting things that are happening in our club. For some time, we have been discussing a sleeveless Us Club shirt for ladies, we now have them. You can get them at our rally or on our website. Also, I have been thinking about how we can honor our deceased members. I thought about having a memorial page on our website. I talked with Emmitt Dickerson, our webmaster and he created a

memorial page on our website. You can access it by placing your cursor on chaplain and a drop down with memorial will appear, click on that and you can view the memorial page.

Now that the Williamsburg and the Myrtle Beach rallies are over, our next rally is G&R. This year we will be having a Christmas get-together in Roanoke Rapids, North Carolina. At this get-together, we are planning to give something back to the community. We, the executive board are partnering with a community outreach program in the area where we can donate non-perishable goods for a Christmas basket for the needy. You will be made aware on how we move forward with this project.

Clarence Herring, Phil Nowlin, Frank and Beverly Reid and Sylvester Jenifer have taken their last ride. Please keep Eva Herring, Susie Nowlin and Delores Jenifer in prayer.

Chaplain's Column



By Elder Danny Mott

The Lessons in the Storms of

Life: Mark 4:5 Life is filled with lessons. We must go thru some storms so that we can apply them to our lives. While Jesus is sleeping on the boat with His Disciples on board, a storm comes up. Sometimes storms come to draw us closer to God, to teach us and increase our faith, reminds us that God cares for us, and that God is with us in the storm. Some of us may be in a storm right now, or coming out of a storm, or about to enter a storm. Remember God is on the boat (*or in the Motor home*) with you; just cast all your cares/concerns on Him, for He will never leave you or abandon you (**Hebrews 13:5**).

Special Note

Our Executive board voted to sponsor a Community Donation project. We are planning a pre holiday gathering the weekend of Dec 2nd & 3rd at Carolina Crossroads RV Resort in Roanoke Rapids, North Carolina. We have partnered with William R. Davie Middle School which is located in Roanoke Rapids, to donate food baskets to twelve of their families in need. We are asking our members to participate by making monetary donations as well as can good donations. These donations will be collected at our rally at G&R and

distributed at the Roanoke Rapids gathering.

Rally Coordinator

By Ed Clark

We are more than halfway through this year's rally season with just two rallies left. The season began with the club's return to Lazy Days RV Resorts in Tampa, FL., followed by Chestnut Lake Campground in Port Republic, New Jersey. The next rally was American Heritage RV Resorts, in Williamsburg, Va., and later in August we enjoyed Willow Tree Resorts in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina.

Looking ahead to our upcoming fall season we have added a new late fall rally. This new addition to our scheduling is the result of a number of suggestions to extend our fall rally schedule. We are asking you to join us in Houston, Delaware at The G&R Camping Resort October 14th -16th. Did I mention the food? Once again Norman and his catering staff will provide all of our meals.

This year we have extended our rally camping season into December. Starting on December 2nd, we will rally in Roanoke Rapids for the "The Christmas Get Together". This rally was originally scheduled for Dec. 9-11. The rally will be held at Carolina Crossings RV Resort in Roanoke Rapids, North Carolina. For all of us who will be preparing to head south for the winter, or those of you who want to just take advantage of the opportunity to get out one last time, this Christmas Get Together is for you. We are blessed to be able give something back to life without expecting some type of repay. If you can't join us for the Get Together, bring your can goods and your money to the G&R Rally and we'll

take it from there. Until then, we'll see you down the road,

Rally Reports

Christmas in May

Port Republic, New Jersey

May 6 – 8, 2016

By Josephine Mackin

The rally was held at the Chestnut Lake Resort in Port Republic, New Jersey. Some members arrived early on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. By Friday, we had 36 coaches and 75 people in attendance. We were treated to good food on Friday and Saturday.



We had a catered soul food menu on Saturday night consisting of : Fried Chicken, Fried Fish, Ham, Seasoned rice, Collard greens, cabbage, macaroni and cheese, sweet potatoes, salad, Corn muffins and rolls.



The highlight was the delicious breakfast on Saturday, featuring Belgian waffles prepared and cooked by Bill Christmas. His helper, Fred Young, cooked the eggs. During the free time on Friday and Saturday, some members visited Atlantic City and the tourist area in nearby Smithville.

After dinner on Saturday, we played bingo. The evening continued in the newly renovated Adult Lounge. Members were able

to enjoy the pool table, play cards, watch TV, relax and socialize.



Each day door prizes were given out. These prizes were donated by Maxine Christmas.

The rally ended with an inspiring message from our Chaplain, Elder Danny Mott. The closing prayer was given by Rodney and Shelly Gause. They asked God to bless us all with traveling mercies for a safe trip home.



This group was pleased to host this rally: Bill & Maxine Christmas, Fred & Louella Young, Larry & Betty Thomas, Kempton & Debbie Tompkins, Rhonda Mack, Josephine Mackin and Paul Stanford.



A great time was had by all.

Rally Minutes

By Josephine Mackin

The meeting was called to order with a prayer by Elder Danny Mott. President James Broaddus introduced the officers of the Us Club. Maria Tolson gave a report

on the club wear. A sample of the latest club wear was introduced which included a ladies tank top and the cost would be \$15.00. President Broaddus reminded the club that we should only use the Us club apparel brand sold by the club. Vice President Arthur Roane agreed to call members who were late paying their club dues. Paul Stanford agreed to be our representative to NAARVA. Lawrence Turner, our Safety Coordinator, spoke about the importance of checking your RV before leaving for your destination. For example, checking bay doors, fuel, tow hitch, tires, antennas, lights, propane tanks, gages, emergency windows, hydraulics for slide outs, etc. Web Master Emmitt Dickerson advised the club if there are new members or you have a new coach and you want to update your photo on the web site photo album to contact him. Ed Clark, Rally Coordinator informed us on how to check for water leaks. He gave an update on upcoming rallies. Ed gave the dates of Feb. 27th thru March 3rd, 2017 for our Lazy Days Rally. The meeting was adjourned with prayer.

US Club Pre-Summer Rally American Heritage RV Park Williamsburg, Virginia June 10 – June 12, 2016

Hope you were there, if not you missed it! The Pre-Summer Rally was a wonderful experience. Thirty five coaches attended the Rally at the “American Heritage RV Park” in Williamsburg, Virginia. Each coach was responsible for making and paying the \$39.00 + tax per night camping fee for a spacious camping site with a large cement patio. The campground did an excellent job parking Rally coaches together. The

\$50.00 Rally cost included entertainment on Friday and Saturday plus all meals.

Upon arrival every coach was hand delivered a detailed itinerary for each day indicating daily activities including club attire for each day and nearby off-site activities: the Pottery, Outlet Mall, Busch Gardens, the Water Park and Old Town Williamsburg.



Friday night began with a “Meet & Greet” complete with a delicious meal followed by **FANTASTIC** entertainment by **Stan “The Man” Hampton**. He really took us back to the good old days and memories with his outstanding renditions of “Oldies but Goodies RB Classics.” Many members purchased his CD's after his performance.



Saturday morning began at 10:30 with an outstanding morning Brunch, catered by



From Me to You Catering Company, which was followed with our club meeting. During the day there was shopping at local outlet malls, sightseeing, greetings, and “cooling out.”



With everyone wearing club colors, the Saturday evening activities began with a very filling “Light Meal” and **INSPIRITUAL PRAISE & WORSHIP** entertainment by **The Morris Family**.



There were lots of door prizes and a 50/50 raffle won by Yvette Clarke.



The remainder of the evening was spent playing cards, visiting, campfires and watching the 6th game of the NBA Finals.



Sunday began with a filling “Light Breakfast” followed by inspirational words from Paul Stafford.

After “see you later's” and breaking camp the Rally came to an end.

All meals, except the Saturday morning Brunch, were prepared by host members. Special thanks to a job well done.



Your Rally hosts William and Martha Bland, Ward and Mary Broaddus, James & Esther “Cookie” Broaddus, Ron & Cleo Carver, Mack & Cheryl Hardy, Clarence & Bernetta Jones, Arthur and Minnie Roane, and John and Dianne Worthy, wish to thank all who attended the Pre-Summer Rally in Williamsburg, Virginia..

Rally Minutes

By Sandra Curry

Our meeting was called to order with prayer by Paul Stanford. A motion was made and carried to omit reading of previous minutes. The sunshine report was given by Pat Caldwell. There was no financial report given. Maria Tolson had the new T-shirts for the ladies and

bags for sale along with other items. T-shirts and bags were \$10.00. Safety tips were given by Lawrence Turner. President Broaddus mentioned a Christmas Get together at Carolina Crossing NC. The cost is \$38.00 plus tax. The upcoming rally report was given by Ed Clark. A motion was made by Emmitt Dickerson and James Broaddus to have a memorial page for our deceased members to include a photo if available. Emmitt will work on the website and it would be posted under the Chaplin’s page. This motion was moved and seconded. 2017 Rally schedule will include Lazy Days, February 23-March 3, 2017. The Blessing Of The Coaches will be dry camping. New members Susan Morgan & Larry Brooks were welcomed. The meeting was adjourned with prayer.

FUN AT THE BEACH”

Southern Summer Rally

Willow Tree RV Resort

Longs, S.C.

AUGUST 19 – 21, 2016

By Hortense Swepson

With 34 coaches and one cottage occupied, we enjoyed a full weekend of fun activities, entertainment and delicious meals. The festivities for the weekend were kicked off by our emcee, Mrs. Beverly Hollinsworth and group Chairman, Mr. Lee McNair.

Friday’s “Meet and greet” included dinner with live entertainment.



“True Dreams Production Company” under the direction of Mr.

Irving Truitt of Durham, N.C. performed a musical, entitled "Broadway at the Beach". We experienced fantastic singing, dancing and acting from very talented artist. The show was narrated by comedian Paula Nunn acting in character as "Annie Bell Clock" who kept us laughing throughout the entire production. Saturday morning started with a "southern style breakfast" that was enjoyed by all.



Later that afternoon, Us club members and guest were treated to cool, sweet, juicy watermelon.



Many participated in a "Seed Spitting contest" This contest was won by Mr. Harry Sterling with an amazing "spit" of over 25 feet! The excitement continued with the "Horse Shoe Toss". The winners were Mr. Ronald Carver and Mr. Muriel Culbreth. Saturday evening activities began with a special memorial service for the late Mr. Clarence F. Herring, founder of the East of I-95 RV Group. Fellow Us Club member, Mr. Rufus McQueen honored his memory with a very outstanding and inspirational tribute. A "gourmet buffet dinner" was the treat of the evening!



Our entertainment for the night featured Madafo Lloyd Wilson (Groit storyteller, musician and author) from Wilmington, N.C. He enchanted us with a delightful program of timeless laughter, folk literature and song. Several Us Club members showed off their musical talents while actively participating on stage along with Mr. Wilson.



Congratulations to Mrs. Joan Avent, winner of the 50/50 raffle!

Us Club members received great door prizes. Dancing, card games and fellowship wrapped up the night. Sunday morning's closing included a "continental breakfast" and a very uplifting, spirit-filled message from Minister Rodney Gause, entitled "Prayer-Why Bother?"

Farewell and best wishes were exchanged until we meet again at the G&R Homecoming rally! Special thanks to the following businesses for their donations, service and support: Camping World, Fayetteville, NC, DD McCall Inc., Dowless Catering, First Bank, Southern States (St. Paul's Farmers Exchange) and Special Moments Florist.



Your Rally Host: East of I-95 Group, Muriel & Iris Culbreth, Robert & Beverly Hollinsworth, James & Edna Kerr, Lee McNair & Panessa Rozier, Rufus & Yvonne McQueen, Lawrence & Mildred Pearson, Robert & Barbara Robinson and Charles & Hortense Swepson.

Treasurer's Report

By Ethel Sterling

Beginning balance as of 3/31/16 - \$8368.50

Deposits

Dues	\$515.00
Sale of Name Badges	140.00
Sale of Club Wear	1,005.00
Turn-In (May Rally)	370.36
50/50 (Williamsburg Rally)	98.00
Total	\$2128.36

Expenses

Ordering Badges	\$232.00
Dues Refund (Colmore)	20.00
Ordering Bolos	40.87
Ordering Club Wear	2,145.06
Secretary Exp.	3.61
Sympathy (Herring)	25.00
Sympathy (Nowlin)	25.00
Sympathy (Reid)	25.00
Total	\$2516.54

Ending balance as of 8/16/16 - \$8239.80

Sunshine Report

By Pat Caldwell

May

Eva Herring - Card
Death of Husband

June

Ellen Yalley - Death of Uncle
Beverly Reid - Hospitalized

July

Bill Christmas - Heart Attack
Sue Nowlin - Death of Husband

Phil
 Frank Reid – Death of wife Beverly
 James & Edna Kerr – Death of Grandson
 Pat Caldwell – Death of Brother
August
 Reid Family – Death of Frank Reid
 Eva Herring – Death of Sister
 Sylvester Janifer – Massive Stroke
 James & Esther Broaddus – Death of Esther's Mother
 Ed Clark – Knee Replacement

In Loving Memory

You left a beautiful memory, a sorrow too great to be told. But to us who loved and lost you, your memory will never grow old.



Frank & Beverly Reis

Club Members

Clarence Herring

Club Member

Phil Nowlin

Club Member

Harry Ham

Ellen Yalley's Uncle

DiQuane Breon Mclamb

James & Edna Kerr's Grandson

Mrs. Queen Durant

Cookie Broaddus' Mother

Sylvester Jenifer

Club Member

Kyle Dorsey

William, Sondra & Frank Curry's

Nephew

To The Us Club

Thank you for extending so much love and support to our family during the loss of our grandson. Your love, support and kindness meant a great deal to us. We greatly appreciate the warm thoughts expressed in your cards, calls and your many

prayers. We would like to express our sincere appreciation for your presence at the funeral.

Sincerely,
 James & Edna Kerr

New Members

Robert & Joyce Palmer

2414 Lawrence Street NE
 Washington, DC 20018
 Expedition 35'

Kenneth & Robin Smith

123 Willow Oak Lane
 Mullica, Hill, NJ 08062
 Charleston 43'

Congratulations



**Happy Birthday
 Langford Johnson**

Tech Tip

By Lawrence Turner

Why You Shouldn't Brake During a Tire Blowout. Count yourself lucky if you've never had a tire blowout. If you have, you know just how scary it can be. The tips below will help you know what to do to maintain control of your vehicle and get safely to the roadside. **Know what a tire blowout feels like:** When a tire explodes at speed, two things happen: The vehicle starts to slow down. The vehicle pulls strongly to the left or right, depending on which tire bursts.

Know what to do if you have a tire blowout: To get safely to the shoulder during a blowout, you first need to avoid swerving into another lane or grinding to a dan-

gerously slow speed. To do this, you need the following one-two punch of speed and steering: Keep pressure on the accelerator -- or maybe even step on it a bit -- so your vehicle maintains its forward momentum. Steer in the opposite direction of where the vehicle is pulling. For example, if the vehicle is pulling left, steer right. Once you have the vehicle under control, you can pull to the shoulder or another safe location. As with most unknowns, having an idea of what to expect goes a long way toward calming your fears and giving you the tools you need to safely handle a tire blowout. **Know what causes a tire blowout:** Blowouts are the result of air escaping from the tire -- slowly or all at once -- leaving it with less air pressure than needed to support your car's weight, passengers and whatever else you're hauling around. Not having *enough* pressure in your tires forces the rubber to work harder than it's built to. Working past the limits of its design causes the tire to get too hot, which breaks down its internal structure and, ultimately, causes a blowout. Blowouts can also be caused by asking your tires to carry more weight than they can manage, immediate or old impact damage, or a puncture that releases air over time until eventually the tire cries uncle in the form of a blowout. **Know how to prevent a tire blowout:** Regular tire pressure checks are the best way to prevent blowouts and extend the life of your tires. Learn how to check tire pressure yourself. Also, drive safely and avoid road hazards to keep tires strong.