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President's Column



JAMES BROADDUS

Hello, my Us Club family! It's that time of the year "Spring" when everyone will be getting ready to check out their coach and hit the road. We must admit that this winter was very good, because a lot of us camped all winter. Cookie and I were able to stay out a whole month during our Florida rally and we had a good time enjoying the Florida weather with friends. We were also out for 8 days in January, so the winter was not bad at all, very unusual for Virginia.

The Florida rally was very good as always, we had a lot of fun. Livorno Williams, Sales Rep at Lazy Days RV spoke to our group about putting the Us Club in their system. This will enable our club to

earn credits when members purchase coaches. If we earn enough credits, Lazy Days will do something for us at our upcoming Florida rallies. He mentioned a couple of things, like an Us Club day with food or some type of entertainment. If you buy a motorhome at Lazy Days, don't forget to say that you are a member of the Us Club. At the Florida rally, I presented two Life Time Member Certificates. For years we have been presenting certificates. We now have lifetime badges, which the board approved. They can be worn on your bolo. I presented badges to all lifetime members who were present at the Florida rally. These badges will be presented at upcoming rallies. See you at the Blessing of the Coaches.

Chaplain's Column



By Elder Danny Mott God is working on your behalf.

God is working behind the scenes in your life today. No matter what you may be facing, no matter what trial you may be going through, God has a plan to turn things around in your favor. Keep standing, Keep believing, Keep hoping, Keep following the Word of God and you will see His plan come to pass in your life. Romans 8:28 "We know that God will work all things together for good for those who love God, and are called according to His purpose."

Rally Coordinator By Ed Clark

By Ed Clark Greetings Us Club.

Its spring and can you believe it, we're getting ready for our second scheduled rally of 2017. For those of you who may have missed our season opener in Tampa Florida. Check out the Lazy Days Rally report provided by our rally host Larry and Betty Thomas. Check the pictures posted on our club website in the upcoming rallies section.

Our second scheduled rally of the year is the "Blessing of the Coaches" to be held at the Johnson Family Farm in Port Republic, Maryland. This will be camping at its best, its dry camping. If you've never used your coach fully in a self contained mode with no outside hookups, see the following suggestions: First, be prepared to run your generator as needed. Second, ensure your sewage tank is empty before you arrive and your fresh water tank is full. Third, you should have plenty of fuel and propane.

So prepare now and join us in a few weeks at, "The Blessing of the Coaches", June 2 - 4. Our summer fun in the sun this year includes a return to Myrtle Beach, South Carolina at the Willow Tree RV Resort, August 18-20. Our first rally in Western Maryland at the Ramblin Pines RV Resort in Woodbine, Maryland,

Sept. 8 – 10. These two summer rallies are held during the summer's peak camping season. If you plan to attend either one of these rallies, it's important to make your reservation as early as possible. There's more information about these rallies as well as the fall rally schedule on the club's website. www.usrvclub.com.

Until then, we'll see you down the road

Rally Report

Lazy Days Rally Lazy Days RV Resort Tampa, Fla. Feb. 27 – Mar. 3 2017 By Betty Thomas

The US Club started the year off with our first rally at Lazy Days in Seffner, Florida. We were blessed with good weather, good food, and good friends; an equation that added up to a Great Rally!



The hosting committee consisted of Edward and Yvette Clark, Larry and Betty Thomas, Anne Love, Phyllis and Bill Moore, and George and Elsie Janifer.



The rally opened on Monday with our "Meet and Greet" where the Club was welcomed by Larry Thomas. The hosting committee served a buffet of sandwiches, chicken, Cole slaw, and potato salad with drinks. We socialized, listened to music, and, (of course) the "50/50" ticket sales began.

Tuesday's bible study was led by Robert Mitchell and was followed by conversation over coffee and pastries. All were enlightened.



Wednesday was a blast. We began with Ed welcoming us and James Broaddus conducting our business meeting. Ed shared a tip that the use of "ice cubes in the black water tank" is a myth. He suggested using a degreaser in your tank. This will help clean, sanitize, and improve the gauge readings. Mr. Livorno Williams, of Lazy Days sales, informed us that a specific code has been established for the Us Club. This will ensure that all Us Club members will receive better discounts based on club history and ongoing purchases.



Bingo Winners

Snacks were served, Bingo played, conversations, a movie, ("The Accountant" with theater popcorn). This was followed by, music, cards, and fun for all.



Thursday was our catered meal. The food was delicious and after dinner we had card parties going, bingo, and of course the 50/50 (won by Betty Thomas who expressed her gratitude to the club). Prizes were presented to the Bingo winners. The "self-proclaimed" card game champ was Yvonne Carver.



Friday was an open day that ended with the showing of the movie "Hacksaw Ridge". Plans are to return to Lazy Days again next year. More information will follow.

Lifetime Members



William & Phyllis Moore



Harry & Ethel Sterling

Treasurer's Report

By Ethel Sterling
Beginning balance as of 12/19/16 \$8,844.09

Deposits

Dues	\$1295.00
Sale of Name Badges	74.00
Sale of Club Wear	85.00
50/50 (Florida Rally)	82.00
Total	\$1536.00
Expenses	
Secretary Exp.	\$19.08
WEB Service	129.00
Ramlin Pines Dep.	\$500.00
Mr. Ken (badges)	298.50
Club Wear Exp.	\$230.09
Sympathy (Lewis)	25.00
Sympathy (Smith, G)	25.00
Sympathy (Avent)	25.00
Total	\$1251.67
Ending balance as of 4/22/17 -	
\$9128.42	

Sunshine Report By Pat Caldwell

January

Maudie Lewis - Death of Husband Bonnie Johnson - Knee Replacement

James Smith - Death of Wife Clem Weems - Sick

February

Joan Avent - Death of Husband **April**

Maria Tolson - Death of Brother Hayes Singletary - Sick Hortense Swepson - Death of Mother

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.

Gladys Smith
Club Member
Gregory Avent
Club Member
Harold Lewis
Club Member
Dessie Smith Hyman
Hortense Swepson's mother
Eddie Wilkins
Maria Tolson's brother

New Members

George & Norma Whitted 3 Wexford Hill Road Hampton, VA. 23666 Allegro Bus – 42'

Tech Tip By Lawrence Turner

The subject of this edition is FIRE extinguishers. Every coach should have a minimum of 3 extinguishers on board. One near the cockpit, one in the kitchen and one in the bedroom. It is my suggestion that there also be one in an outside compartment away from the engine compartment. Type ABC extinguishers are preferable and most common in RV applications. They need to be periodically checked for functionality and expiration dates. A company called Fireside has introduced a new style device that resembles a spray paint can. Walmart sells them, although I have only seen them online. Best wishes and SAFE TRAVEL.