

NorCal ACA Chapter News

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As we drive along enjoying the Antelope and the golden hues of the Aspen in the state of Wyoming in the comfort of our American coach, we once again realize how lucky we are to be enjoying this RV lifestyle.

1. We have spent the last several weeks enjoying the beauty of Ohio starting with a pre-rally in Granville, Ohio. We met up with our friends from the Southern California chapter and caravanned to the Columbus rally together. The rally reflected the hard work and organization that it takes to make our stay enjoyable. There was great food, entertainment, and activities from day one. Randy and crew were busy as always attending to our fix-it lists and other wishes. It was wonderful to meet up with old friends while making new ones as well. Our new "best friends" Boudreaux and Thibodeaux from Louisiana kept us laughing when all else failed.

The rally recap has all the numbers of how many attended and the number of new coaches sold but the best part of ANY rally is the people. It is fun watching the men check out each others ideas, new toys, tricks of the trade, etc. The prize for this rally goes to Bob Simpkins. His purchases seemed endless and his boyish smile was fun to watch. The Warburtons and Lazateras showed off their new coaches which they had both purchased at the Mobile rally. The Ullmans were smiling because they are now retired and looking forward to a more leisurely lifestyle. Speaking of friends and smiles, it is always nice to know you can count on them to help you out in your moment of need. After a great dinner and entertainment we returned to our coach to find out that the door would not unlock. After all the "great minds" put their thoughts together, they decided that the smallest window over the kitchen sink was unlatched and the only way in. As Paul Harvey would say "And now, the rest of the story!!!!!" The worst part of all was by now we had a crowd. So, of course, I was the chosen one.

Norcal is just about to have our fall rally in Benbow, California hosted by the Farrells, the Hermances, and the McBrooms. We are looking forward to getting together, playing some golf, and catching up with everyone and how their summers went. We have members from Southern Oregon to Southern California and Nevada so our rallies are a great way to catch up.

By now you should have received a new roster thanks to John Hibel and his hard work. He did a great job of getting the list updated and making sure it was as accurate as can be. Any updates on address or phone number, remember to contact John.

Our next Norcal rally will be held from December 29th thru January 2nd at Betabel RV Park in San Juan Bautista, California. This rally is being hosted by the Hills and the Hibels. Our New Years rally has become a tradition and I personally look forward to attending it.

In closing, my hope is that everyone is healthy, enjoying life, and traveling around all the beautiful places our country has to offer. Until next time.....