

September / October 2009 NorCal Chapter Newsletter

Hello everyone and greetings from northern California. I don't have much to report except that everyone is enjoying their summer travels. Several members attended the Northwest Chapter rally hosted by Terry and Truman Bennett in Blanchard, Idaho. I understand that the resort was beautiful and everyone had a great time.

I spoke with the Monahan's this evening and they are currently in Michigan. Brad and Elizabeth have been on the road since early June and plan to return home by the end of August. So far, their travels have taken them to the Fleetwood Motorhome Association (FMA) rally in Gillette, Wyo., the Homecoming Rally in Decatur, Ind., Spartan Chassis in Charlotte, Michigan, plus many other stops along the way visiting friends and family. Little Brooke is getting quite accustomed to the RV lifestyle. Their son, Hunter set up a lemonade stand at the Homecoming Rally and the proceeds went to the local food pantry in Decatur. Between his sales and donations, Hunter presented the food pantry with a check for over \$300. Decatur Mayor John Schultz got wind of Hunters donation and personally presented him with a Key to the City of Decatur. I think that is quite an accomplishment for a seven year old.

I understand that CJ and Mary King are having such a good time in Oregon that they don't want to leave. I imagine if the truth were known, CJ has found a cheap golf course or he is hustling the local hackers. I figure money has got to be involved somehow.

Sadly, I have to report the passing of longtime member Kathy Hermance. Kathy was a treasured friend and she will be missed. I talked with Don at the memorial service and he assured me that he will continue to come to every rally he can. We know that Kathy will be with him in spirit.

We have another rally planned at French Camp RV and Golf Resort on October 1-4, 2009. Space is very limited so make your reservations early. Flyers will go out in the mail in early August. Between CJ King and Mike Pettinger, I am sure a round or two of golf will be played and we may break out the horseshoes. Your president and first lady are the rally hosts. This is our first attempt at hosting a rally so please be gentle. As always, Mike and Leslie Pettinger and CJ and Mary King have offered to lend a hand.

Our super website manager Mike Campbell is setting up a blog where I can post information and receive feedback. I don't know much about it yet, but we will try it and see how it works out.

Don't forget to mark your calendars for the three chapter New Years rally in Hemet, Calif. on December 29 to January 2. It should be quite a party.

I hope everyone has safe summer travels and please remember to say a prayer for our troops that work so hard to keep our country free.

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