



Southeast Chapter Newsletter

... News of upcoming events and chapter chatter for Oct-Nov 2007 ...

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Finally.... after a long and hot summer...it's fall and we can start the 2007-08 rally season off with a BANG!!! This newsletter will be short- but will contain registrations for the Holiday rally and the "Biggie" at Rally Park/Lazy Days in January.

Our next activity is Port Charlotte, with our 2nd annual Do Nothing Rally. **This gathering takes place October 25th to 28th at Harbor Lakes Resort in Port Charlotte. Your hosts are Barb and Monty Campbell.** Due to postal weight restrictions- we are unable to include another copy of the registration form, however-

1. It is on the website at www.southeastaca.org and 2. You still have time to call the Campbells if you wish to attend..... 239-454-7007 or email them at: mcampbel1@aol.com.

We plan to have a wonderful time- so please make your reservations now.... The park is at 3737 El Jobean Road (SR 776) - close to the things you want to do. There is absolutely no entertainment- other than possibly, Monty and Doug may be wearing a lampshade for a happy hour or two.... but, the beaches are nearby.

Interestingly enough- this newsletter is being written as we are "on the road". Currently, there are about 20 coaches from Southeast ACA in Calistoga, California for the ACA national rally.

There is no place where we can get the newsletter printed.... We can buy all the wine we need- (?) - but, no copy or printing services are to be found. So, after we put this together, we can only hope that New Mexico has a Staples or Office Max..... or an unattended copier we can use.

November 29th to December 2nd - we are slated to enjoy our annual visit to the Sun 'N Fun Resort in Sarasota. The registration form for this event is enclosed. Your hosts are **Ron and Barbara Wilkinson.** They have left no stone unturned in creating a wonderful environment for this special rally of the season.

(Registration enclosed- limited number of coaches may attend- send yours in early to reserve your space.)

Our Annual Spectacular Rally Blow-Out.... At Lazy Days/Rally Park - Tampa. January 17th - 20th, 2008. Each year, we expect that 135 to 150 coaches from Southeast ACA will choose to attend this event. Rally Park puts on an incredible party for us. We just need to get there and hold on.

Of course, the Tampa RV Supershow runs concurrently with our activity, so attendees can take the Rally Park shuttle back and forth to see what new and fun stuff our lifestyle has waiting for us. Lots of entertainment and fun is in store.

We are limited to a specific number of coaches, so it never hurts to send in your reservation early. Your hosts are **Ellie and John Sorantino and Jackie and Mark Belcher.**

Note about the January Rally- For years, we have become accustomed to "sliding in early" - some folks have arrived by 8am or so. This year, there is a serious problem with space. Check-out time for the previous rally is not until 11am.

Per our parking chairman, Gary Mau, the sites are so congested, that if you arrive before 12:30- you will be turned away due to safety restrictions.

The registration form for the rally is enclosed- since we are limited to a specific number of coaches by Lazy Days- it wouldn't hurt to fill it out now and mail it in....

Also, the service form is in this newsletter as well- fill it out early to ensure that your coach can be looked at by Randy's Crew.

FMCA Southeast Regional Rally-

The next event after the January Rally is to caravan to Brooksville to the regional **FMCA rally.** There will be an overnight "gathering" point at the **Brooksville Fairgrounds,** followed up by a short drive into the airport grounds.

This rally takes place from the **5th of February through the 10th.**

No SEACA registration forms are needed, as this is an FMCA event, so: First- either sign up for the FMCA rally on line at the FMCA website, or mail in your check to them.

By the time the next newsletter is published- on January 10th, 2008 - it will likely be too late to be included in this event- so, hook up with FMCA and register soon.

Contact Rally Chairperson Mary Ann Goodhand at: 863-324-1626 - or send email to hgoodhand@msn.com so she can make a reservation at the Hernando County Fairgrounds for you. Only those coaches that arrive together will be parked together. We did this earlier this year- it was a HOOT! - Don't miss it.....

Please note that, as soon as we can determine costs/dates and the like for the pre-rally, we will post an information page on the chapter's website at: www.southeastaca.org for your convenience.

May 2008 ACA National Rally- Mobile, AL

Now for one of those "Where the Rubber Meets the Road" sort of notes..... Remember that Southeast is responsible for orchestrating this event. It is scheduled for May 13th to 18th, 2008.

If you are not currently signed up to help- please contact a member of the board- and volunteer. We are in need of all the folks we can muster.

Please note: there are links to registration forms for the rally itself, as well as lists of who has already volunteered for an activity on our website- look in the upper right-hand corner of the Southeast Chapter's home page- Look for "Mobile Rally Volunteers" and "Mobile Registration Forms".

If you wish to participate- please send an email to: doug@southeastaca.org - or directly to the chairperson in charge... of your activity/area of choice.... be sure to include email address and phone for contact information.

Also, you should be aware that, just to rest up after all of our efforts- we plan to take a cruise to **Mexico on Carnival Cruise Lines**.

If you want to go (doesn't matter if you are a volunteer or not) - check out the link on our website- and sign up..... Just surf to: Chapter Rally Schedule/ 2008 / Cruise!!! - for details - or call our cruise director, Paul Parker at 1-866-500-9900 to make your reservation.

We plan to have a ton of fun!!! (Mucho Cerveza aqui)

Housekeeping stuff:

The annual election of Southeast ACA chapter officers will

take place in January at Lazy Days. All offices are "up for grabs"- if you are interested in running for any of the positions- now is the time to be putting together your campaign.

If you wish to put your hat in the ring- contact a member of the nominating committee- **Mary Ann Goodhand, Dan Lee and Ron Wilkinson**- and let them know your intentions.

Serving as an SEACA officer is fun, gives you a great chance to meet lots of your fellow members and better enjoy the lifestyle.

Also, please check the expiration date on your mailing label- make sure you stay current in order to continue receiving chapter news and rally information.

Moving? - New Email? - New Cell Phone##? - If you are one of the 27% of our members who make changes to their contact information each year- be aware that we publish the chapter roster in January.

Please take time to review the information listed for you by going to the website- and checking your information. If you do not have a logon- now's the time to get one.

Go to the "members only" section and request a login and password. In any event, our ability to contact our membership is only as good as the information contained.....

If you don't have a logon- you can always just send the updated information to our membership chairperson- ellie@southeastaca.org and request that she make the updates for you.

It is with great pleasure that we welcome the new members to Southeast ACA. Lots of new American Coaches have been sold over the summer.... We have 62 new members!!!! - We sincerely hope that they will join us during our upcoming rally season, and become a part of our terrific group of roving folks.....

A hearty welcome to:

Adkins, Gail & Irene -Clermont FL
Allen, Bruce & Vicki -Jacksonville FL
Andrews, Ron & Pam -Russell KY
Anthony, Edward - Washington GA
Baker, Jimmy & Mary - Cape Coral FL
Bittner, Robert & Dorothy - Port Charlotte FL
Brown, Donald & Patricia - Lakeland FL
Bumgardner, John - St. Petersburg FL
Barnes, Michael & Debra - Hampton FL
Bradley, Ken & Donna - Dallas GA
Brendle, David & Linda - Land O Lakes FL
Cabrera, Elio & Valery - Homestead FL
Chamblee, Terry & Kathy - Cullman AL

Creel, Kenneth & Ruth – Thonotosassa FL
Crider, Don & Gaye - Plant City FL
Ciotti, Joseph & Deborah – Suwanee GA
Cleland, Glenn & Virginia – Yorktown IN
Costello, John - St. Petersburg FL
Davenport, Robert & Linda - Dade City FL
Dyer, Walter & Betty - Merritt Island FL
Everly, Bruce & Elizabeth – Buford GA
Givens, Minos & Pinky – Laurel DE
Golden, Monroe & Bonnie - Big Sky MT
Hendricks, Robert & Sharon – Cumming GA
Hester, Rebecca – Tavernier FL
Hiatt, Dale & Judy – Parkland FL
Johnson, Willie & Denise – Oakland FL
Johnston, Mike & Consuel – Miami FL
Kalinowski, David & Lauri – Missoula MT
King, Ted & Kris – Cumming GA
Koshland, Bradford & Diana - Wyalusing PA
Lawler, Michael & Della – Florence AL
Miller, Mike & Ann - Fort White FL
Moore, Ken & Betty - Leesburg FL
Mortensen, Linda - Vero Beach FL
Nelson, Richard & Joyce - Bonita Springs FL
Nobles, Ben & Sandra - Ellisville MS
Packer, William & Shelly - Key Colony Bch FL

Paradise, Donald & Michelle - Punta Gorda FL
Peterson, David & June - Laurel FL
Rosewater, Stanley & Maureen – Clearwater FL
Russell, Gillie & Melissa - Lake Placid FL
Ruthenberg, Doug & Pat – Brooksville FL
Schopke, Emory & Carol – Rockledge FL
Scott, David & Betsie - St. Petersburg FL
Setchell, James & Lynne - West Palm Beach FL
Shugrue, Pat & Sharon – Columbiana AL
Slack, Jim & Sheila – Reddick FL
Smith, Todd & Stephanie - Orange Park FL
Sontag, Keith & Elizabeth – Dunedin FL
Standley, Mike – Tampa FL
Strong, Bruce & Vernise - Callahan FL
Suggs, Billy Ray & Charlotte – Lisbon LA
Sumpter, Sammy & Arnita - MacDill AFB FL
Swope, Sam & Terri – Mercersburg PA
Thomasson, Stefan & Erla – Bradenton FL
Thompson, George & Kim - Homosassa FL
Vespasiani, Joseph & Susan - Port St Lucie FL
Vandegrift, Donna – Marathon FL
Whisnant, Dale & Danetta – Brenham TX
Wilburn, Terry & Diana – Ypsilanti MI

Welcome and greetings to all our new members!!!

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To: