

The Rebel Yell May 2017

Presidents Message for May 2017

As most of you know the hardest thing about writing, or any project, is getting started, and that really applies to me. I'm a master at "I'll do it later". Well 'later' comes and goes and you wonder where the time went. Just ask Colleen. I'm still trying to remember to get her a sheriff's badge even though I have a postit note on the kitchen door. Anyhow as I sit here listening to songs of the great state of Alaska my mind wonders back and I find myself reminiscing of our (Joyce and me) Smart Caravan trip in 2005. From there I fall into a daydream of the many musters we've had with the Tri-State Rebels. We've never made all the musters but we have made as many as we could. When Joyce and I joined the Tri-State Rebels in January 2006 I never dreamed of the many friends we would make. I think there were over 100 rigs at that time, now we have about 36 rigs +/- . Where have all the folks gone? While some have dropped out due to the loss of a spouse, or illness, or just tired or any other reason, those that can still get together and have a good time, and friendship is always abound. And that is what it is all about. Staying active and enjoying each other's fellowship is staying young and keeping the ole bones loose. Even if we have to drive a distance to the next campground, it is the excitement of getting ready and the enjoyment of the trip along the way that counts. A fellow suggested to me once, let's go together, we each could drive 8 hours rotating and we could be there in no time at all. I said, "To heck with that, to me the drive getting there is half the fun." You have to see everything along the way and stop to smell the roses, and pee, to enjoy the trip. Even stopping to eat is part of the adventure. Joyce and I usually stop at the "Diesel Dinner" for a snack or sandwich. The "Diesel Dinner" is the rest area parked between two diesel trucks with the engine running. It may be noisy but it doesn't affect the taste of my baloney sandwich.

Oh well, enough of that reminiscing. Let's go to the Zooland RV Park in Asheboro, NC. If you were there you know we had a good time. If not, you missed out on some enjoyable fellowship and eating and yak-ety-yak. Cosi and Kathy were the host with Bob Crossett, Joyce and WO co-host and Cork helping out Tuesday morning. Joyce and I arrived on Sunday PM. I heard from the scuttlebutt that the campground had provided a Mother's Day Breakfast on Saturday morning for everyone who wanted to participate. On

Sunday night Cosi and Bob cooked burgers at Cosi's site for the members present. My family came for Sunday evening visit and I had to eat grilled Rib Eye steak they brought with them instead of the hamburgers.

On Monday morning Cosi and Bob cooked French Toast and bacon outdoors at his site. Holey Board was the game during Social Hour each day. Sometimes it takes forever for the players to get a score of 21. Monday dinner was hotdogs, dessert and all the trimmings. Thanks to Joyce for the beautiful centerpieces with the flag. They will also be used in Crossville. After dinner and cleanup, most played SYN and Steve Quesnel won. We also played SYN on Wednesday and Thursday. On Tuesday morning Cosi opened early to make coffee and get things prepared for breakfast. Bob and I cooked the eggs and Joyce cooked the grits and Corkey cooked hash browns. I know I've left others out so thanks to everyone that helped. We also had toast, sausage, and all the trimmings. After breakfast we had an unofficial officer's meeting and discussed the hassle of all the 'stuff' the host had to carry. A decision will probably be made in Hoboken to possibly reduce the load.

For dinner Tuesday we had Cosi's special meatloaf. He worked on it most of the evening. Also had taters, green beans, dessert and all the extras. The meatloaf was absolutely superb. Carol Crossett, Kathy Baccomo and Dianne Collier volunteered to be the 50/50 ticket sellers. Many thanks ladies. They were good and collected a lot of money. I've learned not to give a woman a hard time if they are trying to get money from you. They did the 50/50 on Tuesday and Wednesday and I forgot who won, but it sure wasn't me. Cosi provided door prizes on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday nights. EVERYONE got something. Thanks Cosi.

Wednesday we had another good breakfast and a covered dish for dinner. It was all good food. The members present voted to have hamburgers on Thursday night instead of going out to eat.

On Thursday John and Yuko Hodgin came for a visit. They visited in Ladson also and it was good to see and chat with them each time. As a reminder, those that are going to Crossville RV Park be sure to pay Robyn if you are going to the show and dinner afterwards. Also Keith is ordering pullover shirts for those that want one. If you haven't been contacted you may want to give him a call or e-mail. Hope you enjoy the pictures below, just a few of the many taken. May you have HAPPY TRAILS and FUN CAMPING.

Winston Posey – President

Webmaster's note: Pictures are in the Photo Album on the Home Page of our web site.

Tri-State Rebel Muster Meeting Minutes Zooland RV Resort, Asheboro, North Carolina Wednesday, May 17, 2017

1. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 1000 hours by President Winston Posey.

2. Invocation: The invocation was given by Robyn Hamlington.

3. Pledge of Allegiance: The membership saluted the flag and recited The Pledge of Allegiance

4. Muster Attendance: Members attending were Cosi and Kathy Baccomo, Charlie and Mary Bennett, Wayne and Diane Collier, Robert and Carol Crossett, Robyn Hamlington and Cork Phillips, Keith and Colleen Hardman, Winston and Joyce Posey, Steve and Ann Quesnel. Honorary members John and Yuko Hodgins were also in attendance.

5. President's Comments: President Winston Posey thanked everyone for coming. He also thanked the host Cosi and Kathy Baccomo and all their helpers including Bob and Carol Crossett, Robyn Hamlington and Cork Phillips for an excellent muster. He thanked Carol Crossett and Diane Collier for the 50/50 and stated that this was the first time he knew of that we had women do the 50/50. He thanked Joyce Posey for the centerpieces. President Posey thanked Cosi Baccomo for all the door prizes and gifts he collected and provided. President Posey welcomed honorary members John and Yuko Hodgins. Treasurer Baccomo offered a correction that it was "John and his lovely wife Yuko" which President Posey accepted and repeated. He also welcomed Wayne and Diane Collier to their second muster as members.

6. Roll Call: A quorum was announced. All officers were present except for Muster Master Barry Hanchett and Web Master Joel Myers.

7. Minutes: Secretary Keith Hardman announced the March 2017 Minutes is posted on the bulletin board. Charlie Bennett moved the minutes be

approved as posted. It was seconded by Kathy Baccomo and approved by the membership present.

8. Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Cosi Baccomo announced the Treasurer's Report is posted on the bulletin board. Keith Hardman moved that the Treasurer's Report be approved as posted. It was seconded by Kathy Baccomo and approved by the membership present.

9. Sunshine Report: President Posey reported the following from Sunshine Lady Myra Reichert: Get well card to Curt Crowe for cracked Pelvis and upcoming Shoulder surgery. Get well cards to John and Dorothy Bradberry for flu. Get well card to Colleen Hardman for left hip surgery. 2

10. In Case of Emergency Information: President Posey requested that all post their ICE information in their profile on the SMART Web Site. This is very important if the need arises to contact your emergency contact in case of illness.

11. Downsizing of Equipment: There exist the possibility of downsizing the amount of materials carried from muster to muster. This will be decided by the club and not by individuals. This will be discussed in the November Muster.

12. Muster Master Report: Muster Master Barry Hanchett was absent. President Posey reported that Barry has started on next year's musters. He has confirmed Palmetto Cove for next May 14- 18. He also requests everyone to provide input as to where you would like to go next year. Make sure that you have examined the sites you are recommending. Recommendation for January and March from the floor included Kings Bay and Elko, Dillard or Franklin in July, Coastal Georgia, Pine Mountain in March. Coastal Georgia is recommended for January. President Posey also expressed a desire to have a Muster Site committee so that the total responsibility is not forced on one person. Those present agreed.

13. Old Business: None.

14. New Business: National Rally registration is on the web site. Get it in before June to have a chance of winning 5 free parking days. The weekend before the rally starts is the Rice Festival and some are arriving the week before for the Rice Festival. The organizing group is asking for door prizes.

15. Nominating Committee: Charlie Bennett, Diane Collier and Carol Crossett volunteered for the nominating committee. Elections are in November.

16. Correspondence: None

17. Announcements: Robyn Hamlington reported she has 22 seats reserved for the show at the Cumberland County Playhouse during the July muster. Let Robyn know as soon as possible how many seats you require and pay for the seats at \$24 each. The play is on the 13th at 2 PM with dinner after the show at Cumberland County State Park. The cost for dinner will be collected at the beginning of the muster. Also, if you haven't made your reservations at the camp ground do so as soon as possible. September Muster is at Cool Breeze in Galax, VA. Host are Bob and Carol Crossett and Wayne and Diane Collier.

18. Adjourn: Robyn Hamlington moved and Kathy Baccomo seconded the motion to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 1105 hours.

Keith Hardman Secretary