

# Southwest Sun Chasers

November 2020

**Rusty's RV  
Ranch**  
Thanksgiving Getaway

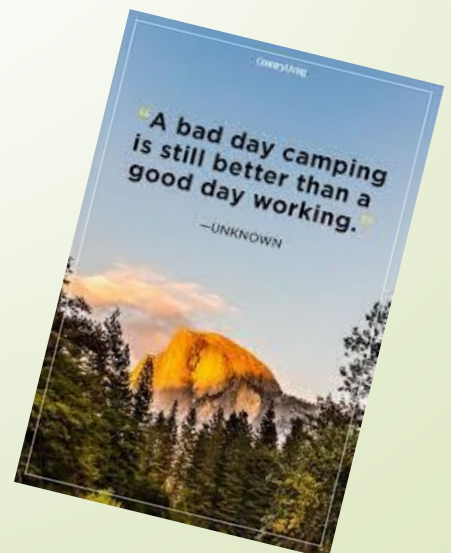


November saw a few rigs heading to Rusty's – not to be discouraged with the COVID restrictions. Yes, the anticipated dinner and guest speaker at the Chiricahua Desert Museum had to be cancelled, but we were not to be deterred. We had a small potluck gathering on Friday and breakfast Saturday morning. Saturday evening, we took a drive to the Gadsden in Douglas, AZ, where we toured the Speak Easy and enjoyed a fabulous dinner.

1

## In This Issue

November Outing	1-2
Dates to Remember	3
Upcoming Outings	3
Just for Giggles	3
Time to Celebrate	4
Welcome New Members	4
President's Message	5
Monthly Meeting	6
Editor's Note	6
Officers/Websites	6



# Rusty's RV Ranch

Thanksgiving Getaway

2



### ► Dates to remember:

- December 16, 2020 Monthly Meeting via Zoom
- December 30 – January 3 Benson, AZ
- January 27, 2021 Monthly Meeting (tentative)
- February 11-15, 2021 Quartzsite, AZ
- February 24, 2021 Monthly Meeting
- March 18-11, 2021 Tucson, AZ
- March 24, 2021 Monthly Meeting
- April 8-11, 2021 Lajitas, TX
- April 28, 2021 Monthly Meeting

### ► Upcoming Outings (click on the links for more information):

- **February 11-15, 2021** (THU-MON): [Quail Run RV Park](#) – 918 N Central Blvd, Quartzsite, AZ. Reservations are required and are being taken at this time. You will need to call (928) 927-8810 to make your reservation and follow up with a deposit by check in the mail. (559 miles)
- **March 18-21, 2021** (THU-SUN): RV Park TBD – This outing is scheduled in order to attend the [Fourth Avenue Spring Street Fair](#); we have not started making reservations yet. (312 miles)
- **April 8-11, 2021** (THU-SUN): [Maverick Ranch RV Park](#) – 21701 FM 170, Lajitas, TX 1-877—LAJITAS or (432) 424-500 (front desk). Reservations are being taken at this time. (315 miles)

\* Don't forget to let Bill (Wagon Master) know you are attending these events.

### Just for Giggles:

George, who lived in Ashland, Oregon, loved his RV, but he also dreamed of going to Hawaii. One day, while walking along the beach, George stumbled over a genie in a magic lamp who granted him a single wish. "I've always wanted to explore the island of Maui in my motorhome, but I can't afford to ship it there. I wish for you to build a bridge from Oregon to Hawaii so I can fulfill my dream." The genie replied, "That's impossible. The ocean is far too deep to build a bridge across. Even a genie such as I can't do it. You have to wish for something else." George thought for a moment, then he said, "I don't understand women. I wish to understand how they think and what they want." The genie paused, then said, "Do you want two lanes or four on that bridge?"



## Time to Celebrate...

### ► Birthdays

- Tim 11/5 (Big 6-0)
- Cindy 11/16
- Jill 11/16
- Bob 11/24

**HAPPY  
BIRTHDAY**

- Anniversaries -none  
in November)

## Welcoming the newest members...

Eddie and Rosie joined us at Famous Dave's for an initial meeting. They have since joined the chapter.

# President's Message

Hello and good wishes,

As we formed our new FMCA chapter, Southwest Sun Chasers, many things were going on in the background. Charter members came together and completed the chapter charter application and submitted it to FMCA for approval. The charter members adopted officers for the chapter: William "Bill" Massey, President; Wilson Mendez, Vice-President; Kathy Linville, Treasurer; and Ginny Beaulieu, Secretary. At the same time, we requested to become part of the Rocky Mountain Motorcoach Association (RMMA) FMCA group. We did this because geographically we are more closely aligned with this group than the Texas group. We developed our Standard Operating Procedures and developed our 2021 Rally Schedule. We applied to the State of Texas and received approval to be recognized as a non-profit organization and obtained an Employee Identification Number (EIN). Both were done to help us establish a bank account and to conduct regular business of the chapter. We established a webpage. We worked with FMCA to allow for the notification of new FMCA members in our area that we are an operating chapter as one method to recruit new members. Cindy and I traveled to Camp Verde, AZ and met with the leadership of the RMMA. We learned much about how both the RMMA and FMCA operate. Thank you for all those that helped us become a chapter!

As we move forward during 2021, I invite all of you to participate in our chapter's rallies and meetings, recruitment of new members, and management of the chapter. This year will continue to be challenging as we learn to work with a world of Covid-19. I hope this will not keep us from successful rallies and other functions.

I invite you to become part of our website: [Southwest Sun Chasers FMCA Chapter \(shutterfly.com\)](https://www.shutterfly.com), using our calendar, becoming part of the members only section, and posting pictures and comments for others to enjoy. As members of the RMMA you can utilize their website: [rockymountainarea.com](https://www.rockymountainarea.com) to learn about other chapters in our association and to find out about other rallies you may want to attend. Don't forget that FMCA also has an outstanding and recently redesigned website: [Family Motor Coach Association | The Best of RV Travel Clubs | FMCA](#). The website has many attributes. The FMCA Assist Program has recently changed, please reference the FMCA website for information regarding this service that is included with your membership.

Please remember it is time to pay your annual club dues, \$35.00/per rig (couple of two) and if you are a new member there is also a \$15.00/person, one-time initiation fee.

I wish everyone a safe and happy Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. I hope all of you will consider traveling with us on some of our 2021 rallies. Please consider the RMMA Region 1 Rally, June 9-13, 2021, Albuquerque, NM and the Rocky Mountain Area Rally, October 20-24, 2021, Tucson, AZ.

My Very Best,  
Bill

# November Monthly Meeting

Fourteen members were in attendance at the meeting. Bill opened the meeting. Wilson led us in prayer, and Bob led us in the Pledge. Ginny gave the Secretary Report. Kathy gave the Treasurer Report and supplied her address so that members may mail her their dues and fees. November birthdays (Tim, Cindy, Jill, and Bob) were recognized; there were no anniversaries. Bill presented the Outing/Rally update: December at Hacienda is cancelled due to COVID restrictions in NM at this time. Wilson motioned that the Chapter reimburse Bill for Zoom fees (approx. \$128) and FMCA national dues (\$35); the motion carried. There is a meeting set up to initiate a banking account and depositing funds. Please email, text, or WhatsApp Ginny as to how you would like your name to appear on your name tag. She will forward the information to Wilson. Meeting was adjourned at 7:51 – next meeting on December 16, 2020 via Zoom.



Please submit any articles or suggestions for the newsletter by the 25<sup>th</sup> of the month. You can submit to Ginny: [virginia.beaulieu@att.net](mailto:virginia.beaulieu@att.net).

## Your Officers:

William (Bill) Massey: President & Wagon Master . . . . .	497-6255
Wilson Mendez: Vice-President . . . . .	850-3774
Kathy Linville: Treasurer . . . . .	644-3465
Ginny Beaulieu: Secretary . . . . .	217-6962

## Websites: click on the title to access the site

[Southwest Sun Chasers](#)

[Rocky Mountain Motorhome Association \(RMMA\)](#)

[Family Motor Coach Association \(FMCA\)](#)