



May 2019

# TUCSON DRIFTERS NEWSLETTER

*It's not where you go, but who you go with!*



Tom Roubal, Editor

## CARING AND SHARING

by Jean Fearnow

Our deepest sympathy to Diana (Ted) Schaefer who recently lost her mother.

- Marv Bass 05/10
- Bill Baumann 05/23
- Larry Castriotta 05/06
- Jackie Fife 05/29
- Betsy Hansen 05/25
- Bill Nickerson 05/15
- Judy Rolland 05/30
- Jim Schultz 05/20
- Clint Smith 05/07
- Phyllis Zappe 05/03



- CIndy and Fred Brooks 05/24
- Martha and Larry Castriotta 05/23
- Gayle and Dick Fisher 05/13
- Margarita and John Zuniga-Ljepava 05/15
- Jan and Paul Spaeth 05/26

## ACTIVITIES MEETING



All are invited to attend an Activities Meeting at **4:30 pm**, prior to our dinner meeting at the Shrine Center of Tucson. Your participation is always most welcomed. Snacks to be served.

- Ruth Roubal, VP for Planning
- Lori Miller, Asst VP for Planning

## DRIFTER'S DINNER MEETING

Dinners include chips/salsa during Happy Hour, and *drinks* may be purchased at the adjoining bar.

Please make your reservations and **advise which dinner you prefer** no later than noon, May 3rd.

If you do not receive a confirmation reply, we DO NOT have your reservation. Cancellations must be made by noon Sunday, May 5th by PHONE CALL ONLY to Jackie Fife at 520-240-6281.

Meeting: **Tuesday, May 7th, 2019**  
**5:30 Social Hour, 6:15 Dinner**

**Pick either Entrée or Salad**

### Entrée- Cinco De Mayo Dinner

- CHICKEN ENCHILADAS/SOUR CREAM
- TACO MEAT CHIMIS -1
- SPANISH RICE
- REFRIED BEANS
- CHIPAS/SALSA
- CHURRO STICK – CHOCOLATE SAUCE

### Salad Selection

- FIESTA TOPOPO SALAD
- AVOCADO, TOMATO SLICES
- GRILLED CHICKEN
- FRESH FRUIT
- TORTILLA SOUP
- CHURRO STICK – CHOCOLATE SAUCE

Cost: **\$17.00 (inclusive) each, CHECKS PLEASE.** It is difficult to make change.

Please remember that if you make a reservation and do not attend the meeting (or phone in cancellation to 520-240-6281 by Sunday before the meeting) you will be responsible for reimbursement to Tucson Drifters for the cost of your meal.

Location: Shrine Center of Tucson, 450 S. Tucson Blvd., Tucson, AZ (South of Broadway)



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## President's Corner:



*Drifters – This year elections for the offices of FMCA National Senior Vice President, National Secretary and National Treasurer will be held at the FMCA International Convention in August in Minot, North Dakota. Our representative to that convention will be asked to vote based on the desires of our Chapter. There are three candidates running for National Senior Vice President and three for National Secretary, and one currently unopposed candidate for National Treasurer. Biographies and a “campaign pitch” will appear in the May issue of Family RVing magazine. Please take time to look at those biographies and come to the May Drifters dinner prepared to offer any insights you may have. I usually*

*wonder “where do you want to go” but this time I’m asking . . .*

*“How should our representative vote”*

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## NOTICE FROM DRIFTERS NOMINATING COMMITTEE

All but three positions for the Drifters Officers and Board Members for the year 2020 have been nominated and will be published in the October 2019 newsletter. The nominations will also be voted on at the November 2019 annual meeting. This is an advance notice that if anyone wishes to serve in any of the below listed vacancies please contact Jeff Salfen at [jeff.salfen@comcast.net](mailto:jeff.salfen@comcast.net). It would be greatly appreciated by the Nominations Committee saving much time and effort filling the vacancies. If there are no nominations coming from this notice, expect to be called by one of the members: Jeff Salfen, Rick Rolland or Vera Schlichter. The Drifters cannot operate efficiently without the proper positions filled. Maybe some of the newer members would consider taking a position to see how our club is run. Please consider volunteering as a nominee so

we can open our year of 2020 with a full complement of board members.

Open Positions:

- Assistant VP-Planning
- FMCA Alternate Director
- Board Member At Large

## RALLY ETIQUETTE FOR PETS

In recent past rallies we have had numerous dogs attending rally functions; i.e. pot lucks, catered dinner, happy hours. As a reminder, and a curtesy to the rally participants, pets must be on a leash and under your control when attending a rally function. Also, please remember to pick up after your pet and do not allow them to urinate on someone else's property. Failure to comply could result in all rally participants being asked to leave the RV park.



## **ROCKY MOUNTAIN HIGH IN COLORADO**

**5 – 19 June 2019**

We're going to the mountains but not just any mountains. We're going to experience John Denver's 'Rocky Mountain High'.

5 June – Arrive today after 12:00 pm at the Mesa Verde RV Resort in Mancos, CO (Elev. 7,028 ft.) Social Time will be at 4:30 pm with a 6:00 dinner provided by your rally hosts.

6 June – We'll be picked up at the RV park at 8:45 for a docent guided, all day bus trip into, and through, the Mesa Verde ruins with lunch provided. Dinner this evening will be on your own.

7 June – Depart the RV park at your leisure to arrive at the Cortez Cultural Center (25 N. Market Street) for a 1:00 pm visit with information provided by members of the Navaho and Ute native American tribes. When you leave the Center, you'll be on your own to explore the town of Cortez until dinner at 5:00 pm at the Farm Bistro. If you're interested, you may want to leave for Cortez early enough to visit the well-known Guy Drew Vineyard just north of Cortez. Once we're finished with dinner, we'll

return to the RV park for an 'after dinner happy hour.'

8 June – Depart in three-sums (explain later) for a 28-mile drive to Alpen Rose RV Park in Durango CO (Elev. 6512 ft.) We suggest you spend the afternoon visiting the Wildlife Museum and the Fish Hatchery. Return to the park for social time and dinner provided by your rally hosts.

9 June – Today we'll ride the Narrow Gage Train to Silverton, CO. The train departs at 9:00 am for a three-hour ride through the always beautiful, often surprising, Rocky Mountains. We'll have lunch at the Handlebars Restaurant, a favorite watering hole in Silverton, and board the train at 2:00 pm for the return trip to Durango. Dinner will be on your own.

10 June – In the morning we'll have a one-hour tour of the Silverton Train Yard and Museum. The afternoon is free to explore Old Town Durango or perhaps the James Ranch, but be at the Bar-D Chuckwagon by 6:15 pm for an evening of food, fun and music in the old cowboy tradition.

11 June – Depart Alpen Rose RV Park by 11:00 am for a 124-mile drive to the Mountain Views RV Park in Creede, CO (Elev. 8432 ft.) This drive will take you over the breathtaking Wolf Creek Pass (Elev. 10,856 ft.) The RV park in Creede, sits at the head-waters of the Rio Grande River. Social Hour will be at 4:30 pm followed by an "Open Grill" dinner. Bring your meat and a dish to share.

12 June – Your morning is free but whatever you decide to do you need to be at the Creede Repertory Theater by 1:00 pm for the 1:30 pm performance of "Peter and the Starcatcher". Social Hour is at 4:30 pm followed by a catered dinner.

13 June – We'll leave the RV park at 9:00 am for a 10:00 am tour of the Creede Underground Mining Museum. Suggest you take the afternoon to explore



Clear Creek Falls. Social Hour is at 4: 30 pm but dinner is on your own.

14 June – Depart Mountain Views RV Park by 11:00 am for a 233 mile drive to Mountaindale RV Park in Colorado Springs Co (Elev. 6023 ft). Because of guided parking you must arrive at the RV park no later than 7:00 pm.

15 Jun – Today we'll be traveling through Royal Gorge by train. The train departs at 12:30 and a meal, ordered from the menu, is included in the cost. Social Hour is at 4:30 pm but dinner is on your own.

16 Jun – We'll meet at Glenn Eyrie Castle at 11:30 am for a picnic in the courtyard followed by a 90-minute tour of the castle at 1:00 pm. Social Hour is at 4:30 pm. Dinner is on your own.

17 June – We'll leave the RV park by 9:00 am for a tour of Rock Ledge Ranch which sits inside the Garden of the Gods. After the Ranch tour you're free to explore the Garden. Social Hour at 4:30 pm followed by a cookout provided by your hosts.

18 June – Plans for today are still be finalized however we will be having dinner at 5:00 pm in Manitou Springs at the Mona Lisa Fondue Restaurant.

19 June – Continental Breakfast. Please bring your own coffee. Mountaindale RV park checkout time is 11:00 am. Safe travels to wherever you may be going next.

As always, these plans are subject to change. You'll receive your final tour and travel information when you arrive at the Mesa Verde RV Park.

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## ROCKY POINT RENDEZVOUS/ RALLY

Nov 19-22, 2019



Hosts: Bernie & Kendra Kuehn and Nancy Nester & Bill Baumann

LOCATION: Playa De Oro RV Park, P.O Box 583, Lukeville, AZ 85341, POC: Gary (602) 476-2242

### EVENTS:

Tuesday, Nov 19. Arrive by 4:00 PM

5:00 PM Happy Hour at the Kuehn's MH, Margaritas, Snacks and Music provided.

6:00 PM Dinner @ The Point located in the Malecon

Wednesday, Nov 20

9:30 AM Breakfast @ Rosy's On your own (shopping and sightseeing. suggestions will be provided)

5:30 PM Drinks and Dinner @ El Capitan Restaurant, Great View of Town, Ocean and Sunset

Thursday, Nov 21

On your own, suggestions will be provided

5:00 PM Drinks @ "Wreck On The Reef"

6:00 PM Dinner @ "Mare Blu Restaurant" Upscale restaurant, good food & great vie

Friday, Nov 22- Depart by 11 AM, Safe Travels



9:00 AM @ Kuehn's MH, Donuts, Juice, Bring your own Beverage

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

All Expenses are own your own!

You will need Mexican Liability Insurance

RV park reservations will be on your own by calling Gary @ 602-476-2242, He will require a \$30 check deposit mailed to P.O. Box 583, Lukeville, AZ 85341 RV Park rates are \$22 per night with full hook-ups. 30 AMP service. 50 AMP service is available at some sites, extra costs.

All water front sites are already reserved but the rows behind the water front sites have easy access the beach, which offers great views of the ocean and sunsets.

I have reserved some spaces at the park for the Rendezvous but will have to release them by Oct 19, 2019.

Please email Bernie or Nancy when you do make a reservation so we will know who is coming.

Bernie's email [bkuehn@msn.com](mailto:bkuehn@msn.com)

Nancy's email [nnnester@gmail.com](mailto:nnnester@gmail.com)





## MIGHTY MISSISSIPPI RIVER SPRING FOLIAGE RALLY

APRIL 30, 2020 TO MAY 25, 2020

One man does not make a river, but the writer Mark Twain is probably more associated with the Mississippi river, its stories, legends and history, than any other person. Old man river, father of waters, body of a nation, "big muddy - by any name the mighty Mississippi cuts a mythic figure across the American landscape.

One of the Mississippi river legends is that the Pascagoula tribe who seeking an escape from the Europeans, saw a mermaid rise from the river, singing a beautiful song. The entire tribe followed the mermaid's song into the river, drowning - yet, it is said, they sing her praises from the bottom of the river to this day.

Taking a trip down the Mississippi river is known for many things, including blues music, US historical sites, antebellum homes and good old fashion southern cooking. We will explore these many areas as the Tucson Drifters journey to these locations for our trip "Mighty Mississippi River Spring Foliage Rally " April/May 2020.

1. Toad Suck, Arkansas - Rally begins at this location. Corp of engineer park on the banks of the Arkansas river. Lovely park and beautiful location.

Thursday - April 30th - Arrive at Toad Suck - pot luck to share. Rally hosts to provide meat.

Friday - May 1st - free day or venture out to Little Rock (many attractions and close by). Camp BBQ cookout this evening with hamburgers and trimmings.

2. Branson Missouri - 148 miles - Treasure Lake RV Resort - 1 Treasure Lake Dr., Branson, Missouri 656161. A beautiful private club that we will have the privilege to stay at. Amenities are full hook-ups, indoor and outdoor pools, and club house.

Saturday - May 2th - Driving day with free time to explore on your own.

Sunday - May 3rd - Evening dinner show - Dolly Pardon Stampede.

Monday - May 4th -Optional trip to Lamberts restaurant in the Branson Missouri area - roll tossing - \$19.00 per person.

Evening show for your entertainment (show tbd at later date).

3. Hannibal Missouri - 277 miles - Staying at the Mark Twin Cave Campgrounds, 1 mile south of Hannibal, Hwy. 79 300 Cave Hollow Rd, 573-221-1656- full amenities and this is a lovely campground located in the hollow.

Tuesday - May 5th - Dinner at Mark Twain dinette with very special guests - 400 N. 3rd St. (downtown) Hannibal, 1-573-221- 5300. Selected menus with some choices - 5:00 pm.

Wednesday - May 6 - Mark Twains boyhood home and museum properties (downtown). This self-guided tour allows our group to explore the roots of Mark Twain's genius. The tour includes 7 buildings, most notably the world-famous Mark Twain boyhood home.



Hannibal History Museum at 200 N Main St. This museum will show you the rich history of Hannibal's remarkable past! Photographs, artifacts, and interactive exhibits tell the stories of the first log cabins in 1819, the antebellum years of slavery and steamboats, the coming of the railroads and civil war. Learn the stories of famous Hannibal residents, including Ukulele Ike, known best as the voice of Jiminy Cricket and the Titanic's own "unsinkable" Molly Brown.

Live show of Mark Twain that will return you to the days of Mark Twain's famous stage performances. The actor will bring him to life in this entertaining show with hilarious comedy and heartwarming drama. Mark Twain live at Cave Hollow Theatre, 300 Cave Hollow Road. Located within the Mark Twain cave complex.

4. St Louis Missouri - 116 Miles - Casino Queen Rv Park, 200 South Front Street, East Saint Louis, IL, 62201 - 800-777-0777. Just minutes from downtown St. Louis and a full-service park that has everything you will need. 24 Hour Shuttle to Metro Link Station and Casino.

Thursday - May 7th - St. Louis Fun Tour with a few of their highlights include Laclede's Landing (Historic/Entertainment District), St Louis Union Station, and Forest Park (Zoo, Science Center, Museums, Etc.) fully narrated 75-minute tour aboard an authentic, air-conditioned trolley with brass rails, bells and all. Carpool to their location.

Anheuser-Busch Brewery Tour later afternoon tour of the historic brew house. You will observe the entire 7 step brewing process and the world-famous Budweiser Clydesdales at their historic stables built in 1885. These majestic giants have become a symbol for quality and excellence and have appeared in some of the most memorable super bowl commercials over the years, representing an iconic part of Anheuser - Busch history. You will also see some of their brew kettles and feel the cool beechwood aging cellars. Tour is appx. 45 minutes long. 1200 Lynch St. St. Louis MO. Free shuttles up and down Pestalozzi St.

Friday - May 8th- Gateway Arch -Tram ride to the top for exhilarating views of St Louis, the Mississippi river and beyond with up to 30-mile views in all directions. 63 stories high into the Midwest sky celebrates the westward expansion of the United States and the pioneers who made it possible.

Documentary Movie: "Monument to The Dream" a documentary that tells the story of the arch from concept through construction.

We will explore the museum exhibits to browse the interactive exhibits in the museum and discover how the Gateway Arch and St. Louis became the gateway to the west.

Enjoy a relaxing one-hour cruise aboard the St. Louis Riverfront Cruise.

View the Old Courthouse where you will walk the halls where ordinary Americans made civil rights history. Built in 1839 the old courthouse is a prime example of mid - 19th century federal architecture. But it is two landmark cases that secure its place in history. Beginning in 1847, the enslaved Dred Scott twice sued for his and his wife Harriet's freedom. But the US Supreme Court decided against them, ruling that African Americans were not citizens and had no right to sue. In 1873, St Louis suffragette Virginia Minor and her husband filed a civil suit arguing for women's right to vote.

We will be gone the entire day on this outing. We will drive ourselves the short drive to the gateway arch area, so it is important that we carpool and dress according to the weather with a light wrap. We will be exploring the metro for getting to destinations as well.



Saturday - May 9th - Ulysses S Grant national historic site and home. Grant's farm, which includes two of president Ulysses S. Grant's homes: the formal plantation home known as white haven and hardscrabble, the log cabin hand built by grant that is on view. You can explore by tram rides the wildlife preserve and enjoy elephant and bird shows held within a pleasant petting zoo. There's also a collection of antique carriages on display at the Bauernhof and the stables of the world-famous Budweiser Clydesdales. This outing should take appx. 2 to 3 hrs.

Afternoon free for viewing of other attractions.

5. Cape Girardeau, Missouri - 115 miles - Cape Camping and RV Park - 1900 North Kings Highway Street, Cape Girardeau, Missouri - 573-332-8888- full amenities! Discover more than 250 years of history, ranging from Mississippian life to a visit from Lewis & Clark on their journey west to words from Mark Twain.

Sunday - May 10th - Upon arriving at our RV park we will journey appx. 20 minutes to the Trail Of Tears Museum at the Trail Of Tears State Park. 429 Moccasin Springs Rd., Jackson Missouri 63755 (around 1:00 pm). We will gain a better understanding of one of the saddest chapters in American history where nine of the 13 Cherokee Indian groups being relocated to Oklahoma crossed the Mississippi river during the harsh winter of 1938 & 1939.

The park's visitor center museum tells the tale of the thousands who died on the forced march, as well as the park's many natural features.

We will then go downtown Cape Girardeau and stroll along the riverfront and take in the Mississippi river tales' mural that tells the story of Cape Girardeau's history via storyboards in front of each panel of this colorful mural. Address is Water St. Between Broadway and Independence, Cape Girardeau.

Trolley free in city!!!

Later afternoon to see Crisp Museum's collections of native American pottery an art gallery and exhibits detailing life along the Mississippi river over the years. 518 S Fountain St., Cape Girardeau. (free) 573-651-2260

If you have time you might on your own go to the Bollinger Mill state historic site which is home to a civil war era four-story mill. Walk across the covered bridge (one of only four remaining in the state) stretching over the Whitewater river and tour the bottom floor museum of the mill for (free).

You may want to experience the civil war in Cape Girardeau at Fort D, an earthen works fort that defended Cape Girardeau from confederate forces. Follow the civil war driving tour (download it at [visitcape.com/backintime](http://visitcape.com/backintime)) and get a feel for the divided community Cape Girardeau was during the civil war. 920 Fort St., Cape Girardeau (free)/contact:573-335-1631.

Evening free/dinner on own or we could all eat in downtown Cape Girardeau together.

6. Memphis Tenn/Tunica Mississippi - appx. 172 miles - Sam's Town Casino And Rv Park - 1477 Casino Strip Resorts Boulevard, Robinsonville, MS 38664 - 662-363-0711 - full hook-ups for sewer, water, telephone, cable tv, and concrete pads.

Monday - May 11th- Arrival day and we will have dinner at the Grand Buffet at the casino appx. 5:30 pm. Evening to relax and join campfire together!

Tuesday - May 12th - Free Day to Explore Memphis On Your Own. Appx. 45 Minutes to The City of Memphis.





7. Vicksburg, Mississippi- 246 miles - Grand Gulf Military Park Campground. Appx. 30 miles south of Vicksburg to a lovely wooded park that you will really enjoy. This RV Park is more than just a park with museum, civil war site and other artifacts. Full hookup's. Note - some of the internet maps as well as GPS devices are wrong. If you enter by way of Highway61 to Grand Gulf Road you should not have a problem.

Wednesday - May 13 - Due to length of travel/enjoy the rest of the day on your own. Hot dog cookout and Ice cream social appx. 4:00 pm at camp central.

Thursday - May 14 - Morning - Vicksburg National Military Park - 3201 Clay Street, Vicksburg, MS 39183 - 601-636-0583, key role in the civil war that lasted 47 days. The nation was divided, but both sides agreed: Vicksburg was vital to victory. To confederate president Jefferson Davis, Vicksburg was the "nailhead that holds the south's two halves together." President Abraham Lincoln remarked "Vicksburg is the key "to victory and could be the north's lifeline into the south. As the federals closed in on the fortress city, they were met by a ring of forts with over 170 cannons. The resulting battle would determine the war's outcome. Plan to see the USS Cairo and museum which is the only remaining example of a city class ironclad, the USS Cairo museum offers a glimpse into the brown water navy and life on board. Over 1400 monuments and memorials dot the landscape at Vicksburg, each a work of art honoring the veterans of the siege. We will be hiring a licensed battlefield guide to help us gain a full understanding of the siege of Vicksburg.

Lunch/Dinner at "OLD COUNTRY STORE" 2:30 pm - Restaurant located at 18801 HWY 61. Lorman, Ms. Considered to be the best chicken in the South with southern fried chicken and crispy chicken buffet that you top it off with pecan cobber and ice cream.

Optional afternoon on own: You may want to explore the Mississippi Blues Trail in Vicksburg. In Vicksburg they have 5 blues trail markers: the blue room, highway 61 south, Marcus bottom, the red tops and Willie Dixon. The life and music of Vicksburg's best-known bluesman, Willie Dixon, is also celebrated on one of the 32 depictions of Vicksburg's history found on the Vicksburg riverfront murals along Levee Street. This driving trip could take you several hours to complete.

Friday - May 15 - Morning - Anahuac mansion tour (1010 First East St.) Of Vicksburg's first columned mansion and the first antebellum home in area. This Greek revival landmark is listed on the national register of historic places. Anahuac a Choctaw Indian word meaning "happy home". We will have coffee/tea and a sweet roll for breakfast in the "morning tea room" at the mansion before tour.

The Old Courthouse Museum – 1 Confederate Flags, including one that was never surrendered, the tie worn by Jefferson Davis at his inauguration as confederate president, fine portraits, china and silver, exquisite antique furniture, the trophy antlers won by the steamboat Robert E Lee in an 1870 race, antebellum clothing, toys , Indian and pioneer implements, and an original teddy bear given to a local child by Theodore Roosevelt.

Lunch on own.

Afternoon - Jesse Brent lower Mississippi river museum - This museum is packed with uniquely informative displays, orientation theater, 1927 flood wall and tent, aquarium and wide variety of exhibits detailing how society - including Vicksburg residents - has used the river over the past several centuries.



The Old Warren County Court house built in 1858 stands today as Vicksburg's most historic structure and has hosted such guests and speakers as Jefferson Davis, Ulysses S. Grant, Booker T. Washington, Teddy Roosevelt and William McKinley. This is a must see for our group.

Evening is free.

8. Natchez Trace, Mississippi/ Vidalia Louisiana- 107 miles - River View RV Park and Resort, 100 River View Parkway, Vidalia, La. 71373 - 888-628-2430/318-336-1400 (GPS please use: 800 Martin Luther King Ave.) They are just across the bridge from historic Natchez, the oldest settlement on the Mississippi. Full amenities with clubhouse, pool, hot tub, etc.

Saturday - May 16 - Early afternoon visit to the Natchez Visitor Center to see the twenty-minute movie about the history of Natchez (located at the intersection of us highway 84 and canal street). Afternoon horse and buggy carriage ride (horse drawn carriages which departs at the corner of canal and state streets) .

Sunday - May 17 - Afternoon tour of Longwood Antebellum Mansion Tour located at 140 Lower Woodville Road, Natchez, Mississippi.

Afternoon tour of William Johnson Museum house tour (state run). This property connected the life of a free man of color and his family during the antebellum era by exploring his furnished living quarters and surrounding landscape estate largely unchanged. Ranger led tour of the main house and self-guided garden tours of the formal and informal gardens, self-guided outbuildings tours and viewing of the furnished slave cabin with exhibits. Located at 640 South Canal Street and downtown Natchez historical park (Melrose) 212 State Street, Natchez, MS 3912.

Monday - May 18 - optional free day but you may want to go the Old South Winery located at 65 South Concord Ave, Natchez MS 39120. They we give you a short tour with some wine tasting. This winery has the largest selection of muscadine wines anywhere. This is a fruity wine and their special southern grapes are native to the coastal southeastern USA and are cousins of bunch grapes. Muscadines are an American grape with a European name.

Later afternoon for Happy Hour we will go the very famous Under The Hill Saloon. 25 Silver St., Natchez, Ms. Natchez was the beginning of the Natchez Trace, which most all settlers would travel to go home. Natchez was a resort of sorts and Natchez under the hill was their playground. Construction is unknown but most likely built in the late 1700's, historic research shows the saloon has been used as a brothel, warehouse, general store and bar. A landmark legendary saloon. Rally will buy your first Beer or Cold drink. Evening dinner at camp - BBQ chicken(TBD).

9. New Orleans, Louisiana / 333 miles (Pontchartrain Landing RV park) 6001 France Rd., New Orleans 70126/ 504-286-8157. We welcome you to New Orleans unique gated marina resort featuring a restaurant, bar, boat launch and RV sites. Just 12 minutes from the French quarter or famous Bourbon Street. Pontchartrain landing is luxury casual living at its finest with a swimming pool, hot tub and daily shuttle to the French quarter (\$6.00 per person round trip with scheduled departures and return), lighthouse bar and grill with live music.

Tuesday - May 19 -longest drive of the trip so day is free to unwind. Shrimp cocktails and Margarita's in club room around 4:30 pm. Bring a sandwich to eat together later in the evening as we will all be tired.

Wednesday - May 20 - The Court Of Two Sisters' brunch with jazz group. Sumptuous selection of hot and cold dishes- eggs benedict and turtle soup are served all day, menu includes creole jambalaya, duck a l'orange, shrimp etouffee, BBQ pork ribs, chicken and andouille gumbo, catfish roulade and an assortment of vegetables and side dishes. Cold selections



are boiled shrimp, seafood and pasta salads, ceviche, pates, cheeses and a variety of fresh fruit. Also included are delicious deserts: pecan pie, homemade French vanilla ice cream, king cake, bananas foster and their famous courtyard bread pudding with whiskey sauce. We will take shuttle to restaurant at \$6.00 per person round trip coming back whenever you desire.

Later that afternoon we will take an air condition bus guided city tour and later returning to the restaurant area which is located in the French quarter. Shuttle available from the French quarter back to the RV camp grounds. Evening free!!!

Thursday - May 21 - Oak Alley Mansion Tour with pre-selected Lunch. 3645 Highway 18 (Great River Road) Vacherie Louisiana 70090- 800-44alley or 2252652151. Very famous antebellum home with many filmed shows at this location. A few of them are Midnight Bayou, Ghost Hunters, Beyoncé's Deja Vu music video and B Day, Hush, Hush Sweet Charlotte, Nightrider, Dixie, Days Of Our Lives, The Long Hot Summer, Interview with a Vampire and Primary Colors. We will carpool to this location which is appx. 50 to 60-minute drive from RV park.

Evening free to maybe go back into New Orleans to visit Bourbon Street and maybe take in Cafe Du Monde for their French style beignets and New Orleans coffee. Cost is appx. \$7.00 for both items per person. Optional!

Friday - May 22 - New Orleans School of Cooking with 3 course meal. RV park will take and pick up at \$6.00 per person round trip (own expense) or driving to lot 401/ 500 Decatur St. Public parking nearby for \$10.00 for the day. 524 St. Louis St. 504-525-2665.

Saturday - May 23 - Farewell River Boat Cruise and brunch (Steamboat Natchez) 800-365-2628. Cruise aboard the only surviving steamboat in New Orleans and listen to cool jazz on this relaxing 2-hour tour. Savor the flavors of a southern style brunch, and step back in time to when life was as slow as the Mississippi river itself.

Sunday - May 24th - Veterans WWII Museum. The National WWII museum tells the story of the American experience in the war that changed the world - why it was fought, how it was won and what it means today - so that all generations can understand the price of freedom and be inspired by what they learn. Through exhibits, multimedia experiences, and thousands of person accounts, the museum takes visitors on an immersive tour of World War II in every theater of war. A world of history awaits our discovery. We will also see the exclusive 4d experience Beyond All Boundaries, narrated by Tom Hanks.

Monday - May 25 - Leisure departure from rally.

Total days 26 - Anticipated cost \$1999.00 but we reserve the right to add \$100 for addition cost due to advance planning.

9 locations - All RV parks with full amenities with the exception of Toad Suck that just has electric and water (dump station available).

44 events/13 meals. Must bring American Beautiful Pass for several events on schedule,

Optional trip to Lambert's restaurant near Branson Missouri -roll tossing \$19.00 per person (group rate and includes lunch, drink, and tax). Extra day available to those wishing to stay an extra day in New Orleans for added cost.

Rally reserves the right to make additional changes as necessary.

Rally Host: Tom and Ruth Roubal, Bill Baumann and Nancy Nester, Bernie and Kendra Kuehn, Fred and Jackie Fife



## Tucson Drifters Event Calendar

**2019-2020 - *A Work in Progress***

*It's not where you go, but who you go with!*



October 2019		November 2019	December 2019	January 2020
Title:	<b>RMMA</b>	<b>Rocky Point Rendezvous/Rally</b>	<b>New Year's 2020 Celebration</b>	<b>Dark</b>
Date:	17-20 Oct	19-22 Nov	TBD	
Place:	Pima County Fairgrounds Tucson, AZ	Puerto Penasco, MX	TBD	
Host:	Tucson Drifters	Kuehn, Baumann/Nester	Roubal, Bass	
February 2020		March 2020	April- May 2020	
Title	<b>Valentine Celebration</b>	<b>FMCA International</b>	<b>Mighty Mississippi River Spring Foliage Rally</b>	
Date	TBD	26-29 March	April 30 – May 25	
Place	Benson, AZ	Pima County Fairgrounds Tucson, AZ	Arkansas, Missouri, Mississippi, Louisiana	
Host	Brooks	Tucson Drifters	Roubal, Baumann/Nester, Kuehn & Fife	

Visit our website with our own club name as the URL: [www.TucsonDrifters.org](http://www.TucsonDrifters.org)

**TUCSON DRIFTERS RALLY DEPOSITS AND CANCELLATION POLICY**

A **nonrefundable** Rally Deposit must accompany rally registration. Once the Balance Due Date is passed and Total Payment made, no refunds of these monies will be made until the rally has been completed and records have been reconciled. Any refunds are exclusive of rally deposits.

# MIGHTY MISSISSIPPI RIVER SPRING FOLIAGE RALLY

APRIL 30, 2020 TO MAY 25, 2020

## REGISTRATION FORM

Total days 26 - anticipated cost \$1999.00 but we reserve the right to add \$100 for addition cost due to advance planning.

9 locations - all RV parks with full amenities except for toad suck that just has electric and water (dump station available).

44 events/13 meals. Must bring American Beautiful Pass for several events on schedule,

Optional trip to Lambert's restaurant near Branson Missouri -roll tossing \$19.00 per person (group rate and includes lunch, drink, and tax).

Extra day available to those wishing to stay an extra day in New Orleans for added cost.

Names \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_  
RV Length \_\_\_\_\_ # Pets \_\_\_\_\_  
Emergency Contact \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\* Rally Limited to first 12 Coaches \*\***

RALLY FEE: (2 PERSONS)	\$1995	Amt Paid
<u>\$200.00</u> NON-REFUNDABLE DEPOSIT DUE BY <u>August 1,2019</u>		_____
1 <sup>st</sup> Payment of \$600 Due by	Oct 1, 2019	_____
2 <sup>nd</sup> Payment of \$600 Due by	Feb 1, 2020	_____
Final Payment of \$600 Due by	Mar 1, 2020	_____
(Optional: Lamberts \$38.00 for Two.		_____)

RALLY HOSTS: Ruth & Tom Roubal, Bill Baumann and Nancy Nester, Bernie and Kendra Kuehn,  
and Fred and Jackie Fife

Make Check Payable to **Tucson Drifters**  
Mail to: Ted Schaefer 9855 E. Irvington Rd., Unit 275 Tucson, AZ 85730

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