



## July 2009 Newsletter

### **Ventura RV Resort**

What a great outing! The McGrane's dropped by during the business meeting on Saturday. Lindy is still recovering from his surgery, but he and Carol hope to be at the next outing. Jim & Barbara Feick were welcomed back, arriving in their new Popular Roadtrek 210. The Feick's down-sized from their Fleetwood Excursion so that they can now go anywhere and anytime they want. Barbara plans on now doing some of the driving. The Eberhardt's bought a home in the Lake Isabella area (**congratulations to Bill and Lynne**).

Bob & Sue Walker are back from their recent trip. Sue did something she never thought she'd do – they left without an itinerary! Some of the roads they traveled were not the best choice for an RV. On their way from Carson City to Yosemite, the road they had planned to take was closed. The Highway Patrol gently recommended they take another "scenic" highway. Sue described the second half of that route as windy and "terrifying!" The road was twisty with shear drop-offs from Sue's perspective sitting in the passenger's seat.

The "Murder On the Prairie" mystery night was a great success! On Saturday morning, the body of the murder victim, Richard Woods, was found lying on the grass next to the Riha's coach with a bullet through his heart. Who done it? That was the question that his family and the townsfolk had to answer at the gathering on Saturday night. We all arrived at the saloon on Saturday evening at 5:00 pm sharp. Everyone out-did themselves dressing as their characters.

During dinner, there was much gossiping going on about where everyone was and what they were doing at the time of the murder. Speaking of dinner, the wagon masters, Kathe & Jim Riha and Bill & Lynne Eberhardt served tri-tip, salad, beans and corn bread – delicious! After dinner, each murder suspect talked about the deceased and told the townsfolk how they felt about him. Then we all voted for who we thought killed Richard Wood. Not everyone was surprised to find out that it was Richard's daughter, Annabelle (Jo McCarthy) who killed him because he wouldn't let her marry Luke Hansen (Paul Lonquist), the man she loved.

Attending:	Art Bjornestad & Sylvia Harris	Paul & Linda Lonquist
	George & Margaret Brownley (2nd outing)	Ralph & Jo McCarthy
	Ray & Robin Elliott (1 <sup>st</sup> outing)	Jeff & Trish Newby
	Jim & Barbara Feick	Jim & Kaye Rankin (1 <sup>st</sup> outing)
	Richard & Dawn Ibarra	Gary Saar
	Jerry Keller	Troy & Lois Thompson (1 <sup>st</sup> outing)
	Darrel & Lois LaFleur	Larry & Linda Troutman
	Art & Hildie Leseberg	Bob & Sue Walker

### **Upcoming Events:**

Canyon RV Park	July 31, August 1 and 2 (Featherly Park)
Pismo Sands RV Park	Sept. 11, 12 & 13 (Oceano)
The Californian RV Resort	Oct. 2, 3 & 4 (Acton)

## Did You Know?

- The deadline for the September outing is Saturday, August 8<sup>th</sup>.
- The pictures, meeting minutes and really great summary of the Ventura outing was graciously provided by Dawn Ibarra.
- Minutes from the Saturday morning meeting are attached as page 4.
- Richard Ibarra provided the following two “how we joined the club” testimonials submitted by Shirley Palmer and Jeff Newby.

We joined at the first meeting we attended which was at a membership park out of San Diego (same park the McCarthy's & Scotts belonged to) - they took us to their campground off highway 14 before Palmdale. Anyway we joined that Saturday, which was the first week-end in October, 1986. That's how we became #20 - the 20th family to join. We all sat around the campfire that night telling of our experiences in bringing our new rigs home. They had their first outing in September, 1986, which we were unable to attend. We were brought together so to speak by the dealer that had sold us all our Komforts - he encouraged us all to form a club, and so we did. I have written a story about our day that we picked up the big Komfort - it's on line through my life writing class. A couple of the Kruisers have read it. Now I've given you more information that you wanted - sorry!! Shirley Palmer

In 1994 our house in Winnetka was badly damaged by the Northridge earthquake. We didn't have to totally rebuild, we just demoed and replaced the floors, walls, ceilings, roof and surround block walls. The insurance company wanted to put our two cats and two dogs into a kennel for six to twelve months while we rebuilt the house. Our response was less than positive. I suggested that they should rent us an RV for that time period and they agreed. So I got an estimate for renting the most expensive RV I could find for six months. The insurance company immediately cut us a check. So Trish and I purchased our first motorhome, a 29 foot class C. We already knew Bob and Glenda Fuller so they immediately recruited us for the Komfort Kruisers. I don't remember the order but I know we attended an outing at the Balloon Festival in Temecula and a weekend of torrential rains at Orange Grove RV Park in Bakersfield. So I believe we officially joined in 1995. Jeff





KOMFORT KRUISERS MEETING MINUTES  
July 11, 2009

Wagon Masters: Jim & Kathe Riha  
Bill & Lynne Eberhardt

ATTENDEES:

Art Bjornestad & Sylvia Harris, Jim & Barbara Feick, Richard & Dawn Ibarra, Jerry Keller, Darrel & Lois La Fleur, Art & Hildie Leseberg, Paul & Linda Lonquist, Ralph & Jo McCarthy, Lindy & Carol McGrane, Jeff Newby, Gary Saar, Larry & Linda Troutman, Bob & Sue Walker

GUESTS:

Jim & Kaye Rankin – 2<sup>nd</sup> outing  
George & Margaret Brownley – 2<sup>nd</sup> outing  
Ray & Robin Elliott – 1<sup>st</sup> outing  
Troy & Lois Thompson – 1<sup>st</sup> outing

CALL TO ORDER:

The business meeting of the Komfort Kruisers was called to order by Jeff Newby, President, at 10:00 a.m. on July 11, 2009 in Ventura. CA.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the June 7, 2009 meeting were approved as written. A motion to file the minutes was made by Ralph McCarthy. The motion was unanimously approved.

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Dawn read the minutes from June 7, 2009. A motion was made by Ralph McCarthy to accept and approve the minutes. The motion was unanimously approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Dawn reported the Treasurer's report as submitted by Tina Lee. As of 6/30/09, there is \$8,440.58 in the bank. Approximately \$3000.00 is going to the Ventura Beach RV Resort, leaving a balance of approximately \$5400.00. A motion to file the report as stated was made by Paul Lonquist. The motion was unanimously approved.

FMCA NEWS

In the Western Byways-Summer 2009 newsletter, Bobby Donald reported that the MEDEX program has been cut (as of 12/31/09) from the budget that the WMHA Executive Board will be presenting to the FMCA Governing Board in Bowling Green this week. Jeff reported that Bobby & Shirley Smith are fighting to keep the program but dues may have to be raised.

OLD BUSINESS

Gary Saar has a complete inventory of KK shirts. They are available for \$12.00 each. Jackets will be ordered when there is a minimum order of 2 jackets. Winter jackets are \$55.00 and summer jackets are \$50.00.

NEW BUSINESS:

Richard Ibarra, VP, sent the most current Komfort Kruisers roster to the members and requested that they notify him of any corrections.

Jeff read a note from Sharon Canfield thanking the Komfort Kruisers for their thoughtfulness and generous donation to the Alzheimer's organization.

ADJOURNED:

A motion was made by Jo McCarthy and the meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



**Dawn Ibarra, Secretary**