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ANASAZI's On The Road...

So many factors make a successful Rally and yet so few Really matter. The Place, the Weather, the food, the activities all contribute, but in the end it's the memories and the people that make it Successful.

This month's ending Rally of the season was hosted at Railside RV Park in Williams May 4th to May 8th, hosted by Wayne and Betty Cernie and Larry and Virginia Morrison. Railside has been a consistently RV friendly Park and at this Rally the owners Pat and Tamara really laid out the Red carpet for us. If it's been a while since you've been there the recent improvements include a two-story barn meeting room with heaters, a commercial refrigerator, lots of outlets wired on separate circuits, while outside there is a small put-put golf course, an in-ground pool table and a wonderful fire pit complete with wood. Tamara had washed the floors, sanitized the tables and got out table cloths for the



serving tables. She was also instrumental in helping us plan and arrange our tours. Since Williams is not far from Flagstaff and adjacent to the National Forests there was much to choose from and lots of history to explore.

Everyone arrived on Thursday afternoon and were ready to park their coach. Driving was taxing due to the constant side winds, which were particularly bad on I-40. Thus, a full meal of Chicken, Rice Pilaf, rolls, salad and Pineapple upside down cake were appreciated after a short Happy Hour. All were ready for a good night's sleep.

Friday morning everyone ate breakfast on their own and lined up at 8.30 to caravan into Flagstaff for our first tour of Riordan Mansion. Riordan was the home of Timothy and Michael Riordan, prominent pioneer businessmen who developed a





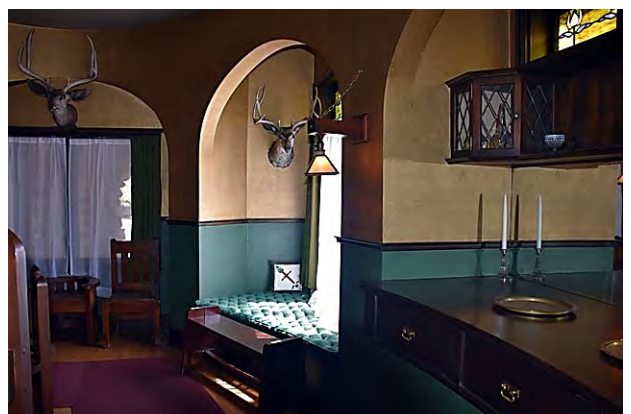
successful logging operation, other business ventures and community improvements. They married sisters Caroline and Elizabeth Metz and the two families built a 13,000 square foot duplex home in 1904. The duplex had self-contained homes on each end with a large reception, gathering

American Arts and Crafts style popular in the early 1900's. Many state of the Art conveniences for the day were included; electric lights central heat, hot



and cold running water and telephones. The brothers were very civic minded and established

The architecture was a great example of the

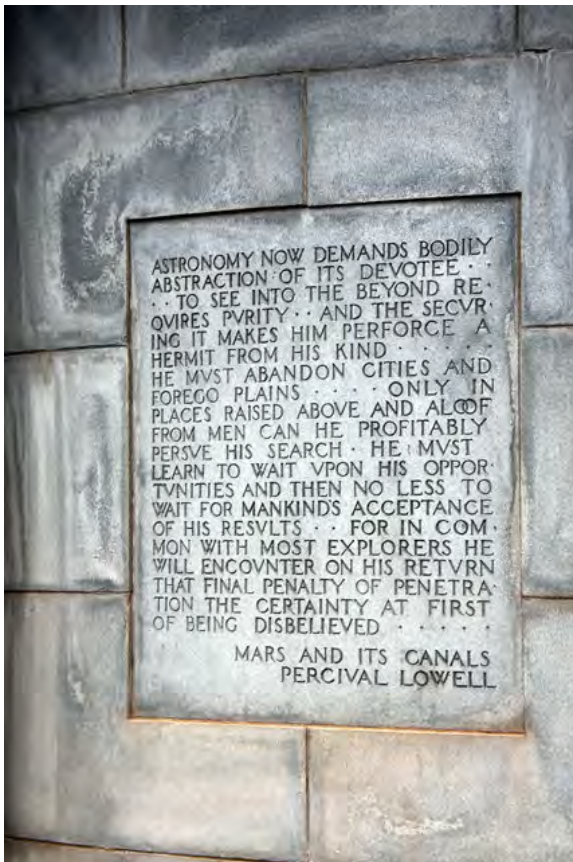


medical care, schools, churches and their greatest accomplishment was the creation of Lake Mary as a reservoir for Flagstaff. They were very Progressive thinkers of the day realizing the



importance of water in Arizona and the need to cautiously log, preserving much of the area for future generations.

Since the next tour at Lowell Observatory did not lend itself to stopping for lunch starvation was



avoided by the hosts serving launchables and water at the parking lot in Riordan. Kendra Gould teasingly referred to these as serving everyone their own small Charcuterie Boards and it became a referenced joke of the weekend. It did provide energy to continue on with the next tour of the Lowell Observatory.

Lowell brought to our attention the importance that Arizona played in the further understanding of the planets. Lowell was established in 1894 by the



founder Percival Lowell who was the son of a wealthy Massachusetts industrialist and civic leader. Percival was an author, mathematician and astronomer who established the Observatory to find and prove the existence of a 9th



planet. Percival died in 1916 but thru his establishment of the observatory Pluto was discovered in 1930 by Clyde

Tombaugh who was hired to continue Lowell's research. The tour included an up-close view of the Telescope originally used by Lowell and a possible second tour took a group to the Tombaugh telescope. Lowell Observatory is definitely a place you could spend all day and evening when actual viewing of the planets and skies are possible. If you come back plan to bring a picnic lunch and enjoy a full day and evening for the one-time admission fee of \$29.

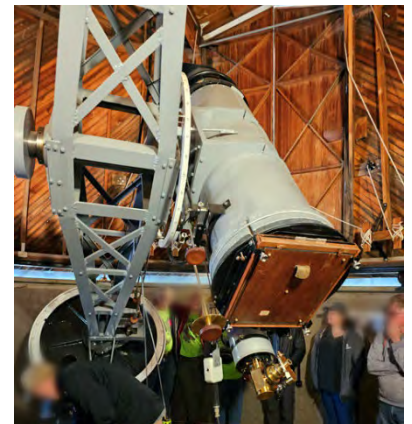
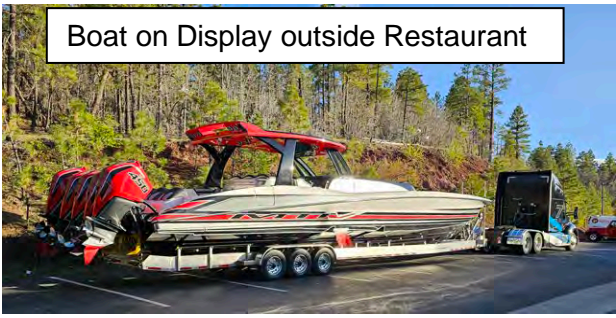


Photo Telescope used to discover Pluto



Boat on Display outside Restaurant

Dinner was planned at 6 at the Western View Steakhouse, presenting choices of Chicken, Salmon or Steak. A full array of Indian Kachina dolls and Rugs were displayed throughout the



dining room and entrance reflecting the amazing culture of the area. After Dinner and a full day, we all were ready for a good night's sleep.



Saturday breakfast consisted of Belgian Waffles, 3 berry compote for topping, whipped cream, bananas, Little smokies and juice. Breakfast was quickly cleaned up in time to enjoy a lively game of Left – Right-Center at 10 AM. The lucky winners of the three games were David Ridley, Tom Eells, and Carol Eells. The weather did play a part in our plans and sometimes it meant we had to go to Plan B, but that also makes the Rally memorable. Since May is too warm in the valley, Williams seemed to be a perfect choice, however, the constant winds and cold was



unexpected. Thus, our scheduled Campfire had to utilize Plan B for our Campfire Lunch. High winds were too risky for the chance of cinders starting a forest fire. The



hot dogs were cooked on the grill that Railside provided and they had the juicy flavor of a cookout. We made a great dent in the pack of 40 hot dogs with several having seconds. Accompanying the hot

dogs were chips and we saved room for the smores



that, minus the campfire, could still be cooked on sticks over the grill. After lunch we were quick to



move into outdoor games taking advantage of the croquet/in ground pool table at Railside. The

playoffs consisted of again – David Ridley, Tom Eells and Carol Eells with David coming out at the top with 8 strokes to pocket the 5 balls. Winners received scratcher tickets and enjoyed the suspense of? a winning ticket. After happy hour, with the Kentucky Derby on one of the 2 large TVs in the Barn, several of the group enjoyed dinner at the Grand Canyon Brewery in

Williams. To our surprise we said Hello to Dayton Osland and Linda Colby, past Anasazi members who are now living in Williams. After such a hectic two days everyone got to sleep in on Sunday with a Brunch at 10:30. Two crockpot



egg casseroles were served with one containing green chilis and one with onions. We had to taste both. Served along with the casseroles was a large fruit tray, a wonderful selection of

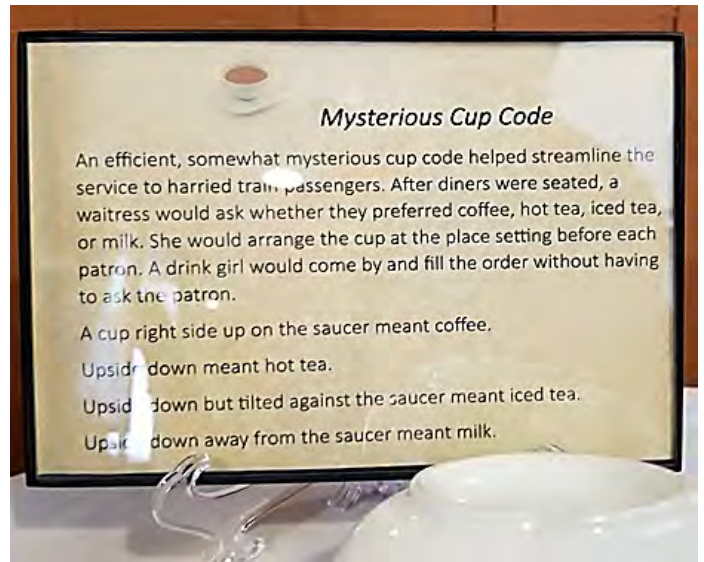
cheeses, ham, rolls and juice. A true breakfast Buffet.



After Brunch we all lined up behind Wayne Cernie to take a drive along the Bill Williams Loop Road. Our first stop was the Historic Williams Railroad Building and Visitors Center. Included were many artifacts of the early history of Williams that gave us a window into life in those times. Did you know that there were 4 ways to position your cup on your saucer



Did Tom & Carole Change Outfits?



to clue the waitress on your drink choice of Coffee, Tea, Iced Tea or Milk.



Next a quick stop at the Dam above Williams which did have water running over it and then to view



Coleman Lake. If you're looking for dry camping we found several accessible spots along the Bill Williams

Loop, however we heard that in the summer they fill up pretty quickly. The drive took us from the Ponderosa forests, across the picturesque



meadows and up to the higher elevations of the Pinion Pines. It was a wonderful drive introducing us to the vast areas of nature just outside Williams.

Once again Plan B kicked in due to the wind and cold... A scheduled 3 PM "Linner" (picnic) and games, at Cataract Lake, were moved back to Railside RV for an indoor picnic. I'm not sure how long anyone would have been willing to keep their plate on their lap



eating Fried chicken, Baked Beans, Potato Salad, Chips, Cuties and Madeline's. However, the warmth of the clubhouse was appreciated. After Lunch a Dart game was played outside. The winners once again got those unpredictable scratcher tickets.

A scheduled Bingo Game was postponed last minute due to the interest of watching the last half of the Suns Game for the Playoffs against the Denver Nuggets. After the Game we all enjoyed three games of Bingo that Wayne had brought with him. Each card had three games and it proved challenging for those who had more than 1 to watch all their cards. Winning Bingo were Carol Eells

winning the full Blackout game and Virginia Morrison for the four corners and the original straight-line game. It was a great finish to another



Full day. As we departed to our RV's we said our farewells to Wayne and Betty who would have to leave early the next morning since their family in California had medical issues that they needed to be there for. Tom and Carol Eells stepped up to help with Monday's sendoff Breakfast consisting of Oatmeal with ice cream, assorted toppings, leftover smokies, fruit, juice and doughnuts. This was a full 4 days of activities and a first this year extending the outing thru Sunday, leaving Monday AM. It made the long trip to Williams worthwhile.



We also had a change of pace with meals, serving a Brunch and Linner (a real word encompassing a combination of Lunch and Dinner in midafternoon) and a light snack before bed. As said earlier, of all the variables of the weekend (some we could control- activities) and some we can't (Wind and cold), it's always the people that matter. The participation, willingness to see and try something new and just the joy of the moment lent for a

memorable weekend. This is what made our weekend a great send off to Summer. Have a safe and wonderful Summer. See you at September's Rally 1st to 3rd. Place to be announced.



experiences to share at some of the upcoming Fall ANASAZI rallies.

REMEMBER:

"It does not matter how slowly you go so long as you do not stop" - Confucius

"And you get better fuel mileage along the way" - Wayne :)



Presidents Message



Our Rally in Williams Arizona was a great way to prepare for our summer break. Betty and I had a wonderful time co-hosting with Larry and Virginia. Our pre-rally explorations and extended stay couldn't have

been better, and the RV resort owners of Railside RV, Tamara and Patrick are some of the very best people to work with.

While in Williams Betty was notified that her younger brother had a heart attack and required open heart surgery. We cut our trip short and headed to Orange County to be with our family. I'm super happy to report that the double bypass went well and Bob was released from the hospital after six days. We are amazed and thankful that the doctors, nurses and hospital staff are so skilled and caring to be able to save a life.

The ANASAZI's are an active group and many are headed East, West and North for the summer. The RV lifestyle allows us to visit family and friends and still have all the comforts of home. Hopefully everyone travels safe, enjoy themselves, and return to the Valley with new memories and

MAY

Nancy Houck 2

JUNE

John Harms 3
Jeanne Kinsley 10

JULY

Luverne Underhill 5
Betsy Livens 8
Claire Porter 16
Ed Cotier 24
Wayne Cernie 26
Carole Eells 27

AUGUST

Amy Jones 31

Happy Anniversary

MAY

No May Anniversaries

JUNE

Albert and Kendra Gould 1

JULY

No July Anniversaries

AUGUST

Clarence And Jeanne Kinsley 1
Tom and Carole Eells 18
Dick and Anita Hancock 27
Larry and Virginia Morrison 27



Slow Cooker Sausage, Hash Brown & Cheddar Breakfast Casserole

An easy overnight breakfast casserole that can be made in your slow cooker with layers of hash browns, cheese, and breakfast sausage.

Total time 6hrs and 30 minutes

Ingredients:

- 32 ounces frozen shredded hasbrowns
- 16 ounces breakfast sausage (cooked and crumbled)
- 6 green onions (finely chopped)
- 12 ounces sharp cheddar cheese (shredded)
- 12 eggs
- ¼ cup milk
- 1 teaspoon salt
- ½ teaspoon pepper
- Additional salt and pepper to season the hash brown layers

Instructions:

1. Grease the insert of a 6-quart slow cooker with non-stick cooking spray.
2. Layer 1/3 of the hasbrowns on the bottom, then season with salt and pepper. Top with 1/3 of the cooked sausage, the 1/3 each of the green onions and cheddar cheese. Repeat the layers two more times, ending with the cheese.
3. In a large bowl, whisk together the eggs, milk, garlic powder, salt and pepper. Pour the egg mixture over the top of the hash brown, sausage and cheese layers in the slow cooker. Cook on low for 6 to 8 hours (the edges will brown). Leftovers can be stored in the refrigerator for up to 4 days.



I once admitted a lady in her eighties. In going over her admission health profile, I was asking her questions to clarify to boxes she had checked. I got to the box where she had checked "Emotional Problems" and asked

her to clarify what she had wrong.

She just sighed and shrugged her shoulders. "I have had seven children. If that isn't enough to make someone nuts, I don't know what is."





About Pie

One outraged college student stomped up to the lunch line at the cafeteria, holding a plate with a piece of pie on it.

“This is disgusting!” he exclaimed. “What kind of pie do you call this?”

The lunch lady calmly put down her ladle, “And just what does it taste like?”

“It tastes like cardboard and rubber cement!” the student cried.

Lunch Lady thinks a moment, then replies, “That must be the apple. The cherry pie tastes like stale crackers and soap.”



Baseball is here! Yea!

--- AND NOT TO BE OUT DONE ---

Miriam has never been on a cruise before. One day, she meets her friend Lucy, and they stop for a chat. “So where are you and Sam going for your holidays this year?” Asks Lucy. “I’d like to try out a cruise, Lucy,” replies Miriam, “but I’m not sure whether Sam and I would enjoy ourselves, we’re almost 80 now and Sam thinks cruising is for younger people.

“No, you are wrong in thinking that Miriam,” replies Lucy

“Most cruise ships have special design features just for senior citizens.”

“So, give me an example, please,” says Miriam.

“Well...OK,” replies Lucy, “They have bifocal portholes.”



Safety Reminder

This is a repeated safety reminder. With summer comes mosquitos, flies, crickets, bees, yellow jackets, and all sorts of other critters that will want to greet you along your travels. You will also probably encounter road construction, delays and all sorts of inclement weather.

Remember to stay calm through it all, it’s the overall experience that’s worth the trip!

Also make sure you prepare yourself with and emergency exit bag that includes essentials you might need in case something happens to your RV. Make sure you have a copy of your driver’s license, spare set of car keys, Credit/debit card and anything else you may need to be able to spend a few nights away from your RV.

Please don’t shoot the messenger

HELLO TO SUMMER



Please enjoy your summer, stay safe and enjoy all of those “out of the way” places that only RVers can get to!
The next KOKOPELLI Newsletter will come out between September 5th & 10th
The September Rally registration form will come out between August 5th & 10th
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