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### **ANASAZI** CHAPTER FMCA

### November 2017

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ANASAZI's On The Road... Narritive by Larry Morrison

Black Canyon Ranch RV Resort in Black Canyon City is one of those hidden jewels that you come across once in a while. You are in the desert and all of a sudden you are transported into an oasis of trees and quiet. When you turn off the road into Black Canyon Ranch RV Park, you are transported into another land.

On Thursday 11 coaches were greeted by the hosts; Bob and Mary Catherine Myers, De and Marvin Pitts, Jerry and Robbin Schultz and Larry and Virginia Morrison. After getting settled in, we all gathered around the swimming pool (which was heated) and talked about our journeys and adventures. Everyone brought Heavy Hors d'oeuvres and the choices actually substituted for dinner. The sun went below the horizon and the conversation continued. Slowly people slipped away to their coaches and finally it was dark around the pool. Friday brought an early morning, 8:30 breakfast consisting of hard boiled eggs, breads, pastries, fresh berries and orange juice.



At 11:15 a group of 20 ANASAZI gathered together to tour Acrosanti. Acrosanti is the combination of Architecture and Ecology. We arrived at Acrosanti and were joined with our own honorary members Nancy Houck and Pat Reuse. We went to the cafeteria and had choices of a salad bar or full buffet. At 1:00 we met Jeff Stein who took us through the workings of Acrosanti. A special treat was Jeff including his own apartment to show how the apartments looked like inside. The whole complex was designed to take advantage of the desert's sun and cool night temperatures to heat and cool.





World famous Bronze Bells of Arcosanti

We arrived back in time for happy hour. The hosts passed out two sheets to everyone. The object was to try and match who did what in their past lives. Every one said it was difficult but enjoyed asking everyone what they did in their past lives.



We finished just in time to go to dinner at Nora Jean's Koffee house restaurant next door. The owner opened the restaurant Friday evening just for the ANASAZI.



We had a choice of a House green salad or Sun-Dried Tomato Basil Bisque soup for the 1<sup>st</sup> course, the 2<sup>nd</sup> course consisted of your choice or Boursin Chicken or Rice and wild Mushroom Stuffed Pork Loin and finally the dessert course was a Chocolate Brioche Bread Pudding with an Orange Crème Anglaise and Raspberry Coulis sauce.



We were scheduled to play Left, Right, Center after dinner but the fire ring caught everyone's eye and so we compared stories (some bolder than others) around a roaring fire.



We sure couldn't complain about the weather!

Saturday morning came all too soon and so did the 8:30 breakfast time. Breakfast was breakfast casserole (your choice of chili, onions or plain) little smokies, fresh fruit, small breakfast rolls and orange juice.



Some lengthy minutes read by the Secretary

Right after breakfast it was time for our Semi-Annual meeting.

> At 10am, president Larry Morrison called the meeting to order. Highlights from the meeting included:

a) discussion of roving rallies for the future,b) rallies for 2018,

c) membership and the ongoing reaching out to potential members,d) updating of ANASAZI

members/member's family who are currently experiencing medical problems and or procedures,

e) questionnaire on allowing towables into the ANASAZI Chapter if Towables are allowed into FMCA – a majority of the members attending the meeting were in favor of allowing towables,

f) selected a nomination committee for the election of ANASAZI officers at the April 2018 meeting – officers term is 2 years,
g) welcomed Nancy Houck as an Honorary Member of ANASAZI and

h) discussed the ANASAZI standing rules. At 11:45 the meeting was adjourned.





Rett gave us an update on the new benefits from FMCA

Saturday afternoon was ours to explore the area. At 4pm we had happy hour. De Pitts had a game based on family feud. She passed out an answer sheet with spaces for 20 answers. The object was to put down the first thing that came to your mind after a statement was read. At the end De read off the answers. If you matched the most common answer you received 3 points, 2<sup>nd</sup> most common answer 2 points and 3<sup>rd</sup> most common answer 1 point. The person with the highest number of points won.

Dinner was a cook your own meat BBQ. There was everything from "very" thick steaks to hamburgers.



The potluck dishes added to the dinner. There was a surprise dessert of Choco Tacos, that disappeared rather quickly. Alas the game of Left, Right, Center fell to the wayside as the fire pit was again fired up.



Sunday morning at 8am (who are these hosts?) was a continental breakfast which consisted of breakfast casserole, little smokies, assorted rolls, pastries, hard boiled eggs and orange juice. Everyone said their goodbyes and were looking forward to the December rally.

Please note, when you get your December Rally information send it in quickly since there will be limited spaces – (currently 20) available.



### **Presidents Message**

It seems every year at this time I start to reflect on those that I have come in contact with, family and

friends and those that I should have taken the time to have gotten to know or know better. I don't know if this is because of the season or I start remembering all of the talk in the past about depression around the Christmas season. What is so different about depression during the holiday season vs. other times of the year?

According to Psychology Today, "a) over commercialization of the holidays, b) emphasis on perfect social activities, c) focus on gifts and not Christmas, d) season appears to have folks engage in excessive self-reflection and rumination about the inadequacies of life, e) comparing one's self to others who seem to be doing better, f) expectancy to spend lots of money that incurs more debt, g) expectations for the social gatherings with family, friends and

acquaintances and h) feeling lonely because of the loss of loved ones.

So, what are we to do – Focus your thoughts on all the good things about the Season – the opportunity to engage in loving kindness, generosity of spirit and gratitude for others in your life."

I encourage all of us to take the time to look around and reach out to those who are depressed, anxious or are seemingly having trouble this Holiday Season.

### Larry Morrison



November

Jim Crimmins	$1^{st}$
Margaret Cotier	${m 4}^{th}$
Bob Myers	$23^{rd}$
Robbin Schultz	$25^{th}$

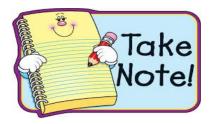
### December



Larry & Faye Kennedy	$10^{th}$
Wayne & Betty Cernie	$11^{th}$

### December

Jim & Marilyn Bannon	$6^{th}$
Chuck & Betsy Livens	$20^{th}$
Mel & Amy Jones	$23^{rd}$



It is the executive boards responsibility to receive nominations for ANASAZI honorary members. Nancy Houck was nominated for this prestigious honor. This, in light of her contributions to the chapter, her being a founding member and her tireless leadership was unanimously (and quickly) approved by the board!



Congratulations Nancy, and once again: Thank You!

### This letter was received by the board:

Attention Board of Directors Anasazi F.M.C.A Chapter President Larry Morrison

Refer to the Anasazi Chapter Standing Rules Rallies. Section 3 line C Members must host/co-host once every year.

As most of you know Faye and I have been plagued by illness since May of this year. Faye has been the emergency room twice for her Blood Pressure spiking. Her heart rate has been all over the board. She will have cataract surgery on both eyes in November. Her stress level has been off the charts.

I have had 24 spinal cord shots since May and our health has not been good all summer. We are asking the board to excuse us from hosting at this time.

Thanks Larry & Faye Kennedy

The governing board has unanimously approved the request.



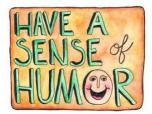
Remember if you have anything that you would like to add to the monthly newsletter just drop me a note at wcernie@yahoo.com and I will do my best to get it into the newsletter!



Wayne



Some of the ANASAZI stopped by Henry Cordes park to see the monument that the American Legion Post 140 erected to salute our Veterans. Our ANASAZI member Jerry Schultz was a major sponsor for this tribute.



### Ode to Thanksgiving

To our national birds The American Eagle The Thanksgiving Turkey May one give us peace in all our states And the other a piece for all our plates



### **Thanksgiving Divorce**

A man in Phoenix calls his son in New York the day before Thanksgiving and says,"I hate to ruin your day, but I have to tell you that your mother and I are divorcing; forty-five years of misery is enough.

"Pop, what are you talking about?" the son screams. We can't stand the sight of each other any longer," the father says. "We're sick of each other, and I'm sick of talking about this, so you call your sister in Chicago and tell her."

Frantic, the son calls his sister, who explodes on the phone. "Like heck they're getting divorced," she shouts, "I'll take care of this,"

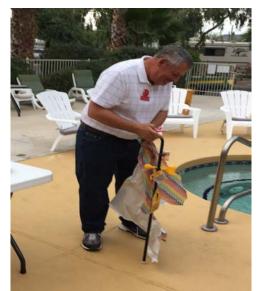
She calls Phoenix immediately, and screams at her

father, "You are NOT getting divorced. Don't do a single thing until I get there. I'm calling my brother back, and we'll both be there tomorrow. Until then, don't do a thing, DO YOU HEAR ME?" and hangs up.

The old man hangs up his phone and turns to his wife. "Okay," he says, "they're coming for Thanksgiving and paying their own way."



A lady was picking through the frozen turkeys at the grocery store, but couldn't find one big enough for her family. She asked the stock boy, "Do these turkeys get any bigger?" The stock boy answered, "No ma'am, they're dead."



Wayne received a special gift for bringing his little travel trailer to the Rally





### ANASAZI Christmas Rally Dec.1-3, 2017 Leaf Verde RV Resort 1500 S. Apache Rd. Buckeye, AZ 623-386-3132

**DIRECTIONS:** Take I 10 west to exit 117 (Watson Rd.), go south on Watson Rd. to second light (Yuma). Go right on Yuma to Apache Rd. Go left on Apache to the resort.

HOSTS: Marilyn/Jim Bannon, Bob Buse, Sharon/Russ Diaz, Sharon/Kent Holladay

## THURSDAY, November 30 - 1:00PM Early arrival, Check in at office - parking will be done by resort staff

4:30-6:30- Social hour at Barn patio - bring a Heavy Hors d'oeuvre, BYOS, BYOB 7:00-9:00 Cards & Games in the Barn put on by the resort – we are welcome to join

### FRIDAY, December 1 -

8:30-9:30 Donuts & coffee put on by the resort - \$1.00 per donut -pay at the door
10:00 - Join us on the Barn patio for a special activity
Noon- Lunch and explore the area on your own
4:30- Social Hour- very light snacks - Wear your Christmas sweaters and/or your
Christmas hats!
5.30- Dinner by hosts BYOS, BYOB Coffee provided
7:30- Exchange of gifts - Santa plans to join us!

### SATURDAY, December 2

8:30-9:30- Biscuits, Gravy, juice put on by the resort - \$2.00 per person donation - pay at the door
Noon- lunch on your own
Afternoon games and fun in the barn on your own!
4:00- Social Hour (**no snacks!)**5:30- Dinner by hosts BYOS, BYOB Coffee provided
7:00-8:30- TA Burrows - comedy and singing for your entertainment



### SUNDAY, December 3

8:00- 9:00 Oatmeal and Cereal Bar with toppings, scrambled eggs, fruit, juice

Safe travels until we meet again.



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### Parking is limited to 20 rigs Checks are due by November 22, 2017

# Make checks payable to ANASAZI Chapter FMCA and mail your check and this form to:

### Jim Bannon, 397 W. Twin Peaks Pkwy, San Tan Valley, AZ 85143 Cell phone: 815-540-5683

Last name:	First:	FMCA #
Last name:	First:	FMCA#
Guest last name:	First:	
Early arrival Parking (Nov 30)	\$ 29.00	\$
2 days rally parking (Dec 1, 2)	\$ 58.00	\$
Meals per person:	\$ 15.00 x	= \$
	TOTAL DUE	= \$

Is handicap parking required (Y or N) \_\_\_\_\_

**Exchange of gifts** - Not over \$10.00 per gift. Each person to bring one gift suitable for either male or female. We will hold the annual "White Elephant" exchange Friday evening.

If you plan to enjoy biscuits and gravy on Saturday

12/2, please list number of persons here:\_\_\_\_\_

Pay at the door, \$2.00 donation per person.



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<u>January (3)</u> Jan 7 Jan 14	<u>February (3)</u> Feb 2 – Feb 4 Optional Thurs Feb 1	<u>March (3)</u> Mar 2 – Mar 4 Optional Thurs Mar 1	<u>April (3)</u> Apr 6 – Apr 8 Optional Thurs Apr 5
Indio	White Tanks	Wickenburg Activity Center	Goodlife RV Resort
Indio, California	Phoenix, AZ	Wickenburg, AZ	Mesa, AZ ANNUAL MEETING
	Jim/Melva Crimmins	Wayne/Betty Cernie Bob/Pat Coppinger Tom/Carol Eells	Jim/Marilyn Bannon Anita/Dick Hancock Chuck/Betsy Livens Bob/Mary Catherine Myers
<u>May (3)</u> May 3 – May 22	<u>June (0)</u> Summer	<u>July (0)</u> Summer	<u>August (0)</u> Summer
Southern New Mexico Roving Rally (Tentative)		<b>FMCA Rally</b> Gillette, Wyoming	
Jim/Melva Crimmins			
<u>September (3)</u> Aug 31 Sept 2 Optional Thurs Aug 30	October (3) Oct. 5 – Oct 7 Optional Thurs Oct 4	<u>November (4)</u> Nov. 2 – Nov. 4 Optional Thurs Nov 1	December (4) Nov. 30 – Dec. 2 Optional Thurs Nov 29
Venture Inn	Cotton Lane	Val Vista	Open – Recommend Leaf Verde Again ??
Showlow, AZ	Surprise, AZ	Casa Grande, AZ ANNUAL MEETING	CHRISTMAS GATHERING
	Larry/Faye Kennedy	Russ/Sharon Diaz	