



Bordertown Sams

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November 7
December 5

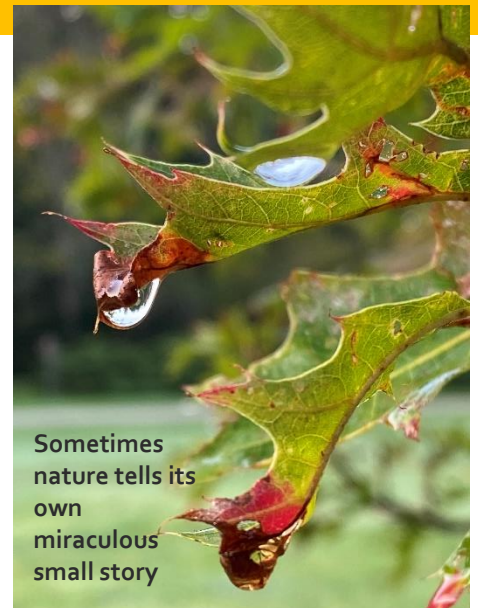
Monthly Meetings

Monthly Outings

November 10-12
December 8-10

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Sometimes nature tells its own miraculous small story

Willcox, AZ – Willcox Cochise KOA

Another fun-filled weekend is history. The Willcox outing was pretty near perfect: great weather, awesome company, way too much food, fun activities, and even a some dressing up. The Willcox KOA was an awesome park with a pool, rec room, off-leash dog park, and a walking trail. Sandi and Greg (managers) were outstanding hosts. The migrating Sandhill Cranes flew over by the hundreds. They were the morning rooster wake-up call. Melinda spent the weekend taking polaroids (Fuji pics) which was a lot of fun.

Friday's drive even had some crazy stuff going on. Ask Melinda to introduce you to Vegas! He was being pretty annoying as far as Victor was concerned. She also found a companion for Vegas at Bowlin's Butterfield Station while stopping for a Dairy Queen treat.

We actually spent some time in the pool. It was a beautiful afternoon, quite warm actually, and the water was super inviting. Melinda and Silvya took off to find swimsuits, but by the time they both returned, we were ready to get out. You spent too much time shopping, ladies.

Friday evening was spent eating, visiting, and just having fun. We wanted to play Taboo, but never got to it.

Saturday morning's breakfast was over-the-top...as usual.

After breakfast, we took off for the Willcox Wine Festival. We brought our chairs and found a shady piece of grass with our name on it. Wine (and beer) tasting was great this year. We met up with Janet and Pam, friends of Lisa who wanted to join us for the weekend. Maybe we'll see you both more often.

After returning to the KOA, we enjoyed an afternoon of rock painting. What a relaxing activity that turned out to be quite a bit of fun. We just might have to try this again sometime.

We made it back to the pool (again), and this time Melinda and Silvya were able to join us.

We all chipped in to make dinner, which was a taco bar with all the fixin's. What a great idea. Thanks to all the chefs for a fabulous meal. The flan, charro beans, rice, and of course, the tacos were outstanding. Yup, you know it, we had too much food...no surprise there.

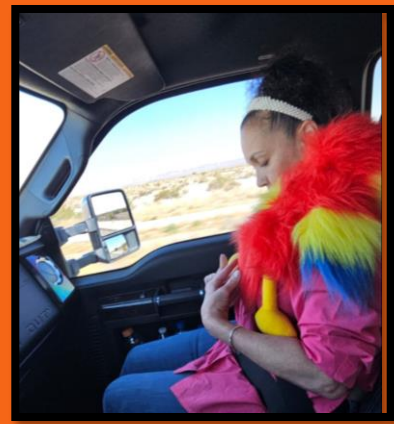
After dinner, it was time for fun. The outing was 80's themed. Tim put together a 80's rock trivia playlist. We couldn't stop singing and laughing (sorry Victor for ruining your concentration). Wilson walked away the winner with 26 points...next up was 14. We also had a costume contest, and no one could hold a candle to Victor. Well, Melinda (skater) and Silvya (Madonna) could, but Victor edged them out for the win. A fire pit was rented for the evening to add ambiance.

Sunday morning, we met up at the Café for a tasty breakfast before some of us had to hit the road and get back to El Paso.



Break stop

Click on the picture
– it's a video!



Melinda & Vegas
shenanigans



Melinda was trying to take a "nice" picture!



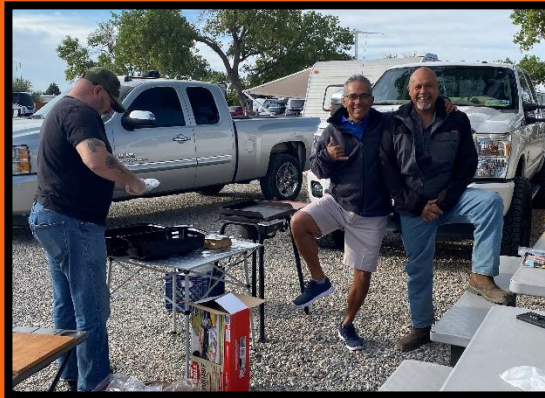
Rock painting



Starting the day with breakfast



Hanging around camp



One of us is working



Mornings started out chilly



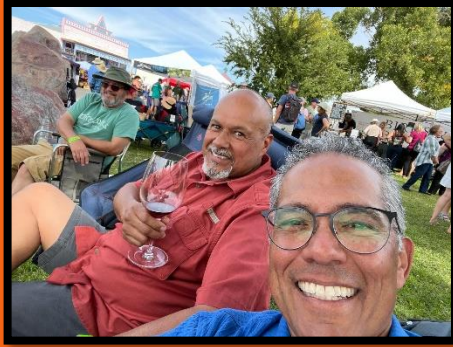
Vegas' other pal - Buttah



A guy and his dog



Chloe's having a face-off with Tim



Wine festival fun



Chillaxin'



Walking around the festival



Perfect evening for music, fire, and fun



Wait! I know that song...



Melinda, look at the camera!




Hair in the way?!







IN LOVING
Memory
OF



JAMES P. TELFORD
DECEMBER 14, 1956 - SEPTEMBER 8, 2023

Don't grieve for me for now I'm free,
I'm following the path God laid for me.
I took His hand when I heard Him call:
I turned my back and left it all.

I could not stay another day
To laugh, to love, to work or play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way;
I found my place at the close of day.

If my parting has left a void
Then fill it with remembered joys.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,
Ah yes, these things I too shall miss.

Be not burdened with times of sorrow:
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.
My life's been full, I savoured much;
Good friends, good times, a loved ones touch.

Perhaps my life seemed all too brief:
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your heart and share with me;
God wanted me now, He set me free.



Lisa,


Love how you shared Jim was in the rainbow. What a touching moment.

Wilson shared a special camping memory from a Vegas Nascar trip as he and Jim were Nascar buddies.

Lisa, you know we all love you, and we are here for you if you need anything...anything at all.

CELEBRATION OF LIFE FOR

James P. Telford



DECEMBER 14, 1956 TO SEPTEMBER 8, 2023

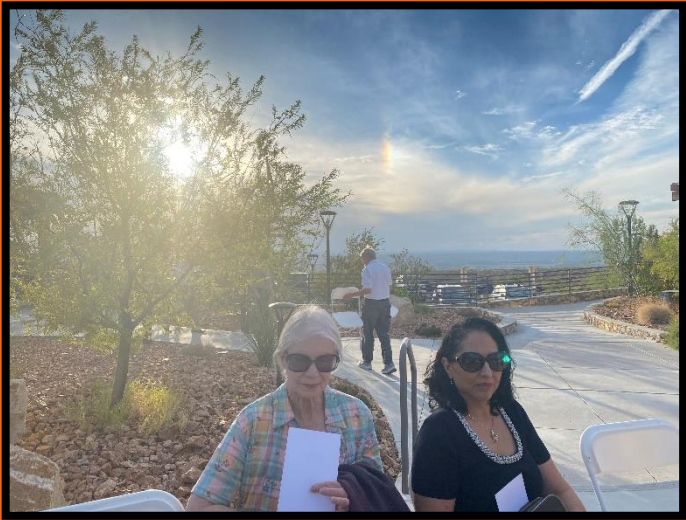
Prelude and Gathering
Greeting and Prayer
The Story of Jim
The Word of Grace – John 11:24-26
Song – "Face to Face"
Psalm 121
Prayer of Thanksgiving
The Lord's Prayer
Invitation to the Meal

TELLING THE STORIES

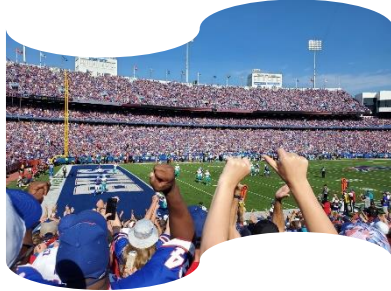
OFFICIATING
PASTOR SAL PERALES

FOOD PROVIDED
BILL AND PAT MAYBERRY
YVONNE'S ON DONIPHAN

MUSIC BY
DAVID HAMILTON
MICHAEL JARNAGIN



Member News



Kathy 9/15
Lisa 10/23

Bob & Kathy
9/29



- The Linvilles are on a 2 ½ month RV trip to New York and back to sightsee and catch as many Bills games as possible
- The Mendez and Mackey couples headed to Alaska for an amazing cruise.
- Tim and Ginny headed to New York for a family gathering and visited as many national parks as they could along the way.
- Lynne won a blue ribbon at the county fair for her pearl and Austrian crystal necklace.
- Lynne & Charlie had to say good-bye to their furbaby, Wilson.



RECIPES TO SHARE

Zucchini Soup

~ submitted by Cynthia

Preparation Time: 15 minutes

Cook Time: 20 minutes

Ingredients

5 cups water
7 chicken bouillon cubes
5 small zucchini, sliced
8 ounces cream cheese
Cayenne pepper to taste

Instructions

- Boil water, chicken bouillon cubes and zucchini for 20 minutes
- Put in blender with cream cheese, puree in batches until smooth
- Serve with a dash of cayenne pepper

This soup can be served cold, at room temperature, or hot. Yield: 6 servings

Vegan Squash, Apple Lentil Stew

~ submitted by Ginny (from Louise – Tim's sister)

Ingredients

¼ cup olive oil	9 garlic gloves, minced	3 cups veggie broth
1 cup celery, diced	3 Tbsp curry powder	2 ½ cups cider
3 onions, diced	2 tsp salt	9 cups butternut squash, cubed
3 carrots, diced	1 tsp pumpkin pie spice	1 ¼ cups dry lentils
3 large apples, diced	15 oz baby spinach, fresh	1 can pumpkin puree
1 tbsp grated ginger		

Instructions

In **large** pot, heat oil. Sauté onion, carrot & celery until almost soft. Add garlic & ginger; sauté a couple more minutes. Add broth, pumpkin, cider, squash, apples, lentils, salt and spices. Simmer 25 Minutes, covered (or until desired doneness). Stir in spinach for a couple minutes, until wilted. Serve (a dollop of yogurt on top – yum!) . Yield: 18 cups

NOTE: Ginny forgot to add the pumpkin puree and spinach on the outing even though she had it. **11**

Bacardi Rum Cake

~ submitted by Cynthia

Ingredients

1 (18 ½ oz.) yellow cake mix
1 (3 ¾ oz.) pkg. vanilla instant pudding
4 eggs
½ cup cold water
½ cup Wesson oil
½ cup Bacardi rum

Instructions

Preheat oven to 325°F. Grease and flour Bundt pan. Mix above ingredients together and pour into pan. Bake 1 hour; cool. Invert on serving plate and prick top. Drizzle glaze over top.

Glaze

¼ cup butter	1 cup sugar
¼ cup water	¼ cup rum

Melt butter in saucepan; stir in water and sugar. Boil 5 minutes. Remove from heat and add rum.

We're heading to Rodeo, NM in November

We've been here a few times now, and Rusty's RV Ranch is becoming one of our favorite get-away locations.

We do not have a host for the weekend, but there is still plenty to do:

Friday evening potluck. Rusty is making pizza on the grill. Bring \$3 per person and a side to share to join in the potluck.

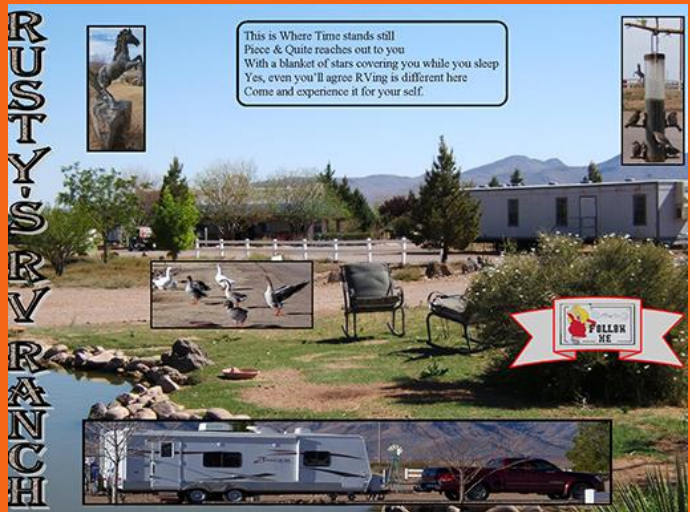
Want to check out some history? Visit the Chiricahua Desert Museum just down the road.

Feel like taking a short drive? Head on over to Douglas, AZ to check out the Gadsden Hotel and the 333 Café.

Enjoy the night sky – star watching is a must.

The Chiricahua Wilderness National Forest is a nice drive.

We'll be celebrating
Thanksgiving at the
outing. Come hungry!
Leave stuffed!



November 10-12

August Meeting Summary

Victor called the meeting to order. Rodney led us in prayer. Bob led us in the Pledge.

We welcomed newest members Rodney & Silvy and Eddie & Yolanda with RVing survival kits.

President's information:

September meeting is cancelled

October meeting is reschedule to Thursday, October 19

Officer nominations due at the October meeting

July minutes were reviewed

Treasurer's report was given

Birthdays & anniversaries were shared

Cards were sent to members

Wagon Master covered October, November, December outings and the 2024 outing schedule was passed out. Bob will call parks to verify outing dates, and Ginny will send an email with reservation information.

October Meeting Summary

Victor called the meeting to order. Nelson led us in prayer followed by the Pledge.

Nominations were made for officer positions. Voting will take place at the November meeting. Members can vote absentee.

August minutes were reviewed

No treasurer's report

Card sent to Lisa in memory of Jim

\$35 dues are due. Please pay by the November meeting.

Notes from the Editor

I know I always ask; however, please let me know if there is anything else you would like to see in our newsletters.

- Are you traveling on your own? Share your pictures, and I will include them.
- Did you come across a tip (either from reading about it or experiencing it first hand), and you'd like to share it? Send it to me, and I'll include it.
- Have you seen a joke that made you chuckle (and it's shareable)...well, then share it with me, and I'll include it in an upcoming newsletter.

A message from your Wagon Master

We have a great year planned for 2024. Reservations can be made at most parks at this time. If you have any questions, please ask.



Sunshine & Care



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2023 Outing Destinations

	Month	Dates	Location	Contact Information	
✓	January (Martin Luther King)	13-16 FRI-MON	Caballo Lake, NM	<u>Caballo Lake</u> 575-743-3942 (park) 877-664-7787 (reservations)	
	February	Nothing scheduled at this time			
✓	March	17-19 FRI-SUN	Alpine, TX	<u>Lost Alaskan RV Park</u> 432-837-1136 (Shazlyn)	
✓	April	21-23 FRI-SUN	Silver City, NM	<u>Rose Valley RV</u> 575-538-0918 (Sheila)	
✓	May (Memorial Day)	26-29 FRI-MON	Santa Fe, NM	<u>Rancheros de Santa Fe</u> 505-466-3482	
✓	June (Father's Day & Juneteenth)	16-19 FRI-MON	Mayhill, NM	<u>Deer Spring RV Resort</u> 575-687-3464	
✓	July	14-16 FRI-MON	Ruidoso, NM	<u>Rainbow Lake Cabin & RV Resort</u> 575-630-2267	
✓	August	4-6 FRI-SUN	Ruidoso, NM	<u>Twin Spruce RV</u> 575-257-4310	
	September	1-4 FRI-MON	Hatch, NM (Chilo Festival)	<u>Hatch RV</u> 575-649-3070 (M. Lisa)	
	September	1-1 FRI-SUN	Alamogordo (Balloon Festival)	<u>Boot Hill RV</u> 575-439-6224 (Cindy)	
	October	20-22 FRI-SUN	Willcox, AZ (wine festival)	<u>Willcox KOA Holiday</u> 844-982-5415 (Sandy – group reservations)	
	November (Veterans' Day)	10-12 FRI-SUN	Rodeo, NM	<u>Rusty's RV Ranch</u> 575-557-2526 (Rusty)	
	December	8-10 FRI-SUN	Elephant Butte, NM (Lighting of the Boats)	<u>Elephant Butte Lake RV Resort</u> 575-744-5996 (Dawn)	

CANCELLED



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January <small>(Martin Luther King)</small>	12-15 FRI-MON	Tucson, AZ 321 miles	Mission View RV Resort 800-444-8439 (Kelly)	
February	2-4 FRI-SUN	Roswell, NM 205 miles	Trailer Village RV Park 575-623-6040 (Morgan)	
March	15-18 FRI-MON	Saint Johns, AZ 325 miles	Lyman Lake State Park 928-337-4441 (Sandra)	
April	18-22 THU-MON	Corpus Christi, TX 705 miles	NAS (Naval Air Station) Corpus Christi RV Park 361-961-1293/1294	
May	10-12 FRI-SUN	Ruidoso, NM 132 miles	Twin Spruce RV Park 575-257-4310 (Ryan or Cody)	
June	14-17 FRI-MON	Angel Fire, NM 386 miles	Camp Eagle Nest 575-377-2566 (Kara)	
July <small>(4th of July)</small>	3-7 WED-SUN	Mayhill, NM 125 miles	Deer Spring RV Park 575-687-3464 (Jill-manager)	
August	9-11 FRI-SUN	Timberon, NM 135 miles	Circle Cross RV Park 575-987-2651 (Michelle)	
August	30- SEP 2 FRI-MON	Pagosa Springs, CO 446 miles	Pagosa Springs RV Park 970-264-9264 (Daryl)	
September	20-22 FRI-SUN	Fort Davis, TX 201 miles	Davis Mountains State Park 519-389-8900 (group reservations)	
October	25-27 FRI-SUN	Columbus, NM 87 miles	Pancho Villa State Park 575-531-2711 (office) 877-664-7787 (Reservations)	
November	15-17 FRI-SUN	Alpine, TX 217 miles	Lost Alaskan RV Park 432-837-1136 (Shazlyn)	
December	6-9 FRI-MON	Albuquerque, NM 285 miles	Enchanted Trails RV 505-831-6317 (Vicky – primary (Jim))	

Clicking on the link for each park takes you to their website for additional information
 Mileage is from El Paso International Airport