

Upcoming Rallies

**Quartzsite on the Horizon
Phoenix in February?**



Newsletter

Sept - Nov. 2008

Send news items, tripnotes, tales-of-the-trip, etc. to editor: rogervorst@att.net

Leaves turning in Vermont



Membership runs annually from January to December

Treasurers Report 2008

The Treasurer's Report will be available in the December issue of the newsletter.



New Notice Board Online

There is a new notice board on the website, accessed from the newsletter page. It will be used to post updates and other information that did not make it into the newsletter. Send any notices to be posted to the editor.

RV Adventure Magazine

There is an online RV magazine called odd-ly enough, RV Adventure Magazine. You can find it at <http://www.rvadventuremag.com>.

There is no membership fee and back issues are available. This is a very nice looking site.

E-mail Addresses Needed

If you are not receiving e-mail notices from TOW, please let Dennis know your e-mail address.

Simply send an e-mail to Dennis with a subject line that reads "My email address" at: towmembers@gmail.com

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New Photo Galleries

There are some new photo galleries going onto the TOW website in the next few days including the June Lakes area and Trekking in Nepal.

Additional photo galleries will be added if and when pictures are made available to the editor/webmaster.

Contact us with any ideas you have regarding additions you would like to see to the TOW website.

-The Editor/Webmaster



Sand, Cactus and RVs: It Must Be Quartzsite!

Friday, Jan 16 – Sunday, Jan 18, 2009.

·Hosted by Bud and Brian. If you have any questions, feel free to contact us by phone:

(home) 310-274-3930, (cell) 310-490-8669.

·Arrive as early as you want. Stay as long as you want.

·We will be camping at the usual area, the Tyson Wash camping area, about 2.4 miles south of Quartzsite on the west side of Hwy 95, across from the South Camping area. Follow the TOW signs after the gate.

·FRIDAY- “Welcome to Quartzsite” no host cocktail party. If possible, please bring a pupu to share.

·SATURDAY- Pot Luck buffet, eat at 5pm(ish)

·Purchase your BLM “short term” permit, good for 14 days with the option to purchase an unlimited quantity of additional permits. Cost for the permit is \$40.00, according to this website:

<http://www.blm.gov/az/outrec/camping/laposa>.

Permits can be purchased at the entrance. If no volunteers are there, you can purchase your permit the next day on your way to town. Remember to thank those volunteers.

·If you can, please bring some firewood to share for the campfires.

·Here is a link to a map of the camping area:

<http://telusplanet.net/public/waters/mapb.htm>

·If you want to arrive early and or leave late, there are a lot of things going on in Quartzsite and the

surrounding areas. Here is a link for some additional information:

<http://www.ci.quartzsite.az.us/>

Looking forward to seeing you there.

Bud and Brian



On the Road with ~~Jack Kerouac~~ Ben Miller



With Visions of Debtor's prison dancing in our mind, we filled up the coach with diesel in Florence and set course for the east coast during the later part of July. A route far North, Hwy 2, less traveled and theoretically shorter was chosen. This took us up the Columbian Gorge, east of Portland. Gorgeous!

First stop was to be Glacier National Park to see the almost nonexistent glaciers. Glaciers or no, this is one park to check out. Whitefish offers good summer theater and other types of events. The park itself is glorious and relatively uncrowded compared to parks farther south.



RV facilities are ample, reasonable and, as it turned out this summer, everywhere. Occupancy factors although not bad, were definitely showing the effects of increased costs. The road to the Sun Highway, although under improvement, is worth the ride to see rushing waterfalls, large numbers of mountain goats scurrying nimbly over the rocks, and the views... awesome.

Continuing east on Hwy 2, we drove through some interesting small towns, a taste of rural America. Next stop was Mackinac (Yup, they say Mackinaw, always!) where we checked out the famous island where only horse drawn vehicles are permitted. Lunch at



the Grand Hotel was a treat and very reasonable. If you like Fudge, this has gotta be the world's capital. I think there are 30 different stores selling the stuff in the village.

Leaving Mackinac behind, we headed north to Sault Ste Marie. There we crossed into Canada and enjoyed the Ontario side of the city. I encourage you to make this stop; lots to see, do and eat. It's a good Italian community. Here we took the train tour "into the Canadian wilderness." It was a full day



trip through some really great scenery and over some terrific trestle bridges. At \$57 Canadian, it is a really good deal.

From here we continued east to Ottawa, the nation's Capital. It was one of our favorite cities with much to see and do, not to mention a vibrant gay community. It was a good place to practice our French and refurbish the larder at Costco in preparation for our time on the island. After a few days touring this marvelous town, we headed south to Newboro and the family island. Through all this our two Welsh Corgis, Barney and Maxie, handled the traveling and long road days well. Now free to roam unencumbered



on the island, they are in dog heaven, as are there Masters, Tom and Ben.

Have a great summer all.



Who Likes Phoenix in February?

Lou Shea is looking for a few good men... and who isn't?

Lou would like to organize a rally in Phoenix, AZ for the first or second week of February 2009. Anyone who is interested in the idea should contact him so he can get an idea of what dates would be the most popular. This would be at an RV park that has full hook-ups.

E-mail: sheashay@att.net or 323-663-3886 and let him know you care.

The rally will be announced in the December newsletter.





It's the time of year to see the leaves changing all across the country.



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Labor Day _____	Sept 01							
Admission Day Calif. _____	Sept 09		1	2	3	4	5	6
Autumnal Equinox _____	Sept 22	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
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		OCTOBER						
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Election Day _____	Nov 4							1
Thanksgiving _____	Nov 27			4	5	6	7	8
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