

The Challengers Meeting
November 14, 2015
Camelot RV Resort, Malabar – November 13-15, 2015

- Lori Pierce, President called the meeting to order at 10:05 AM.
- Pledge of Allegiance & Invocation.
- Lori welcomed everyone.
- The October & revised September minutes were emailed to members following the last meeting. Motion was made and seconded (F. Pierce/ M. Hudson) to accept the minutes as presented.
- In the absence of Secretary, Felicia Fitzgerald, Nancy Ragland took the roll. Thirteen (13) coaches were present (including new members): Arnold, Buck, Cassada, Franklin, Haney, Hoover, Hudson, Kruse, Nowak, Pierce, Ragland, along with new members Burrell and Levine. Members that drove in: M. Barnes & R. Bentsen. Additional visitors were Scott & Sandy Meyers, friends of the Pierces.
- Treasurer's report was given by Treasurer, Charlie Ragland. There was a beginning balance of \$3,341.75 and an ending balance of \$3,341.75 as fees collected this weekend (dues and food) have not yet been processed. No action needed at this time. The books will be audited in December. Martha and Roger volunteered to audit the books with Lori.
- President Lori welcomed the visitors: Rudy & Mary Burrell (new members driving Tony Stewart's coach!), Paul & Lucy Levine (new members – friends of the Haney's) and Scott & Sandy Meyers (friends of the Pierces). As for prospective members, the Raglands and the Pierces recruited 3-4 couples from the Yankee RV Fall Foliage tour! We also had visits during the week from Doug & Jan Anderson, Linda & Otis Lutz, Ron Nelson, and Linda & Jean Paille ... good to see all of them!!
- President Lori announced the November birthdays & anniversaries. Congratulation to all!
- President Lori asked that the following members be kept in our prayers: Leroy & Martha Barnes, Linda Bounds, Howard & Josie Robertson, John Verkaik and Dan Harris.
- Thanks to the hosts for this weekend: Judy & Dave Haney with help from Charlie & Joel.
- Lori Pierce gave the Wagon master's report: the December rally is at the Olde Mill Stream in Umatilla on November 30 – December 6th. This is our holiday rally, hosted by the Board. Don't forget your pajamas for the holiday dinner – Felicia has outlined the requests for your jammies in the Newsletter. We will, once again, have a silent auction to benefit the K9s for Warriors. Felicia will try to get matching funds again this year. Everyone is asked to bring a wrapped gift for \$20-25.

- New Business:
 - a) - President Lori noted that we are looking for a new editor for our Newsletter, with Gail West's resignation. Please let her know if you are interested.
 - b) – Challenger dues in the amount of \$15 are now due. Please pay Treasurer Charlie Ragland.
 - c) – The topic of food fees came up at the October meeting. President Lori has reviewed the Challenger Guidelines for hosts. She reminded everyone that the official Challenger weekend starts at 3:00 pm on Friday. She will get with the Board to update the Guidelines and present her suggestions at the December meeting.

- Margaret Arnold gave an update from National: Chapter Presidents may appoint a temporary delegate to represent them at National – with a 7-day minimum notice. The FMC Assist program was reinstated; however, it is not well used. They are looking at the \$1 million cost. Staples is offering FMCA members a discount. Go to www.fmca.com to register your credit card. March 17 – 20th is the Perry rally at the Georgia Fairgrounds. Volunteers for coffee & donuts are for FMCA (not a Challenger project). Margaret is turning her position over to Russ Buck, our new National Director. President Lori thanked Margaret for all her years of service to the Challengers.

Other Business:

Lori announced that we will have our Installation of Officers at the December campout. She asked that Maury Hudson and Brenda and Wayne Cassada (the nomination committee) do the installation. She will provide a script for them to work with.

As there was no further business, the motion was made and seconded (D. Haney/ L. Nowak) to adjourn.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:45 am.

Challenger Chapter Meeting Minutes taken by Nancy L. Ragland, standing in for Felicia Fitzgerald, 2014-2015 Secretary, The Challengers Chapter.