

# Challenger's Newsletter

May 2017



## May Rally

Seasons in the Sun RV Resort located in Mims. Rally dates May 12-14 and early arrival date starting on Tuesday, May 9.

Contact Lori Pierce with your arrival date at [h2o1retired@yahoo.com](mailto:h2o1retired@yahoo.com) or 321-863-1042 cell, Lori will email resort with the list. **Deadline for reservation is May 3.**

## UPCOMING RALLY DATES

June "Unofficial" Rally dates 9 to 11, Daytona International RV Resort

July "Unofficial" Rally dates 7 to 9, Daytona International RV Resort

August "Unofficial" Rally dates 4 to 6, Daytona International RV Resort

All early arrivals start on Tuesday.

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# MAY RALLY

Seasons in the Sun located in Mims.

Reservations need to be made directly with the wagon master, Lori Pierce of your arrival date, she needs to let the host know how much food to cook for the rally, deadline is May 3.

Address - 2400 Seasons in the Sun Blvd., Mims, FL 32754

Rate - \$29.70 per night

**Thursday Grill Night at 5:30pm** bring your item of choice to grill. Games in clubhouse in the evening or sitting outside. Location - Circle the wagons rally area.

**Friday morning breakfast at 8:30 am** - pancakes and sausage, bring your utensils and drink. Location - club house.

**Friday afternoon** - Airboat Ride \$18.00 per person (notify wagon master) caravan will leave at 1:00 pm (30-45 minute drive) Airboat Ride 2:00 - 3:00 pm. Followed with an early bird Catfish Dinner \$8.99 (fries or baked beans and cole slaw) or Catfish and Fries Basket \$7.99.

**Friday Game of the Day at 7:00 pm** - bring a pen or pencil. Location - club house. Game of the day is "Member Bingo". This will test how well we know each other and get to know each other.

**Saturday Breakfast- 8:30 am** - pancakes and sausage, bring your utensils and drink. Location - club house.

**Business Meeting 10:00 am** Location - club house.

**Saturday afternoon** - SPCA Tour - caravan leaving at 1:00 pm followed by an early bird dinner at Dixie Crossroads.

Leisure evening - sitting outside, card games in club house. Sunday gathering at 8:30 am - goodbye.

## NEW MEMBER SPOTLIGHT - MIKE & LYN EICHER

The Challenger's would like to welcome our newest members, Lyn and Mike Eicher and Sadie (yellow lab). Mike & Lyn bought their first RV on November 1, 2016, Tifton Allegro Red 40' and we are honored the April Rally was their first rally with The Challenger's. Lyn was asked what is the favorite thing about owning a motorhome "traveling and seeing different places, this will be our first trip outside of Florida as we are going on the Yankee RV Fall Foliage Tour in September."



Lyn is a retired school teacher and Mike is a retired engineer from the space center.

# April Rally Review

**“We had a great time.” Ed Kelly**

The April Rally kicked off Friday afternoon, however Friday morning our host cooked up some tasteful waffles and sausage. Nancy Ragland planned a trip to the Florida National Cemetery located in Bushnell. “It brought tears to my eyes” stated Charlie Ragland and Roger Bentsen. If you have never been, a must trip while in the area. Established on June 1, 1988 and serves over 1.9 billion Veterans in the state of Florida with over 7,000 burials conducted each year. Dinner on Friday was potluck, with a variety of different dishes from pasta to pulled pork and let’s not forget the dessert’s, key lime pie to homemade carrot cake. After dinner a few of the members played hand n foot, while other member’s sat outside and enjoyed everyones company, it was a beautiful evening.



Saturday morning for breakfast we were greeted by the Easter Bunny with little easter baskets. Just before our business meeting was about to start, it was put on hold for the birth of April the giraffe baby, what an amazing thing to watch, it was a boy and both are doing fine.

Our activity director was back in full motion with games planned for the afternoon. We started off with an egg basket toss each member had to try and toss six eggs into three separate buckets. Congrats to Linda Schauland for tossing the most eggs into the basket with a total of four. The next game was a relay game, each member picked a number to match up with their partner’s number. Who would have thought the odds of having a gator fan match with a seminole fan, They put “team spirit” aside and worked together. Each player had a spoon and on the spoon a plastic egg was placed, with interlocking arms they had to work together but against their opponent thru orange cones without dropping their eggs, congrats to Mike Fitzgerald and Scott Meyers. The next game was an egg toss but you had to catch the as many easter eggs into a 2-liter bottle. Not very easy I will say. Scott Meyers along with his partner Wayne Cassada managed to catch a total of 20 eggs. The final game was a Jelly Bean contest. Thanks to Lori’s mom, Raylene who counted out 422 jelly beans and placed them in an easter container and sealed in an envelope the final count. Each member placed their counts and Charlotte Corbin guessed 419, congrats to Charlotte and amazing how close her guess was, only 3 numbers off.



Dinner on Saturday was amazing, salad, ham, green beans, mashed potatoes and apple pie. Nancy and Jane was very happy to see the members who participate in the Easter Bonnet contest. Congrats to Scott & Sandy Meyers for 1st place, Lucy Levine with her “Peep” show for 2nd place and Lori Pierce for 3rd place.



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Sunday morning a few of us gathered for our final goodbyes and safe travels back home. It was great seeing a few members that we've missed!



*"Jesus Christ had risen today, Alleluia." Nancy Ragland*

Photo taken by Nancy Ragland on their way home from the April Rally.

Check our Facebook page for more great pics of all the fun from the April Rally!

## Announcements

### MEMBER SPOTLIGHT - CHARLOTTE CORBIN

Charlotte Corbin has been appointed by President Carol Buck as The Challenger's New Membership Liaison. Charlotte will keep potential new members updated with upcoming rallies and send out information about The Challenger's. Thank you Charlotte for volunteering your time.



### Birthday & Anniversary

Birthday Celebrations: Lori Pierce 05/01, Roger Bentsen 05/04, Ron Nelson 05/07, Steve Fitzgerald 05/15, Charles Alphonso 05/30

Anniversary Celebration: Mike & Felicia Fitzgerald 05/09

The Challenger's wish each and every one of you a Happy Birthday / Happy Anniversary!

# Chaplain's Message

By Dick and Linda Schauland

## Let Peace Rule

*And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to the which also ye are called in one body; and be ye thankful.* Colossians 3:15

Have you been praying that God will let you know whether a certain action you want to take is agreeable to His will or not? Let this peace of Christ be your guide. Let it help you settle the issue. If you start to take that action and you realize you don't have peace about it, don't do it.

Remember, though, that this inner leading of the Holy Spirit, this subtle sense of uneasiness, or peace He gives you, is something you have to watch and listen for carefully. He generally won't just come up and knock you out of bed one morning and tell you what you need to do. The primary way He speaks to you is by what the Bible calls an inward witness.

So, you have to listen. You can't just stay busy about the things of the world all the time. You have to give Him time and attention.

Also, watch out for strife. When you're irritated and upset about things in your life, it's very hard to receive that quiet guidance from the Holy Spirit. So take heed to the instructions at the end of the above scripture and be thankful...appreciative, giving praise to God always. Maintain a thankful grateful heart. You'll find it much easier to hear the "umpire of peace" when he makes a call.

## SPECIAL PRAYERS

Please keep the following members in your prayers and thoughts: Alan and Nancy Marsden, Paul and Norma Connors, Russ and Carol Buck and Martha and Leroy Barnes. If you know of someone who is need of prayers, please let our Challenger's newsletter editor, Lori Pierce know so they may be added to the list.

# Recipe Page

If you have a recipe that you would like submit email newsletter editor, Lori Pierce.