



The **GMC Pacific Cruisers Chapter** of the Family Motor Coach Association, Inc. (FMCA), is a group of GMC motorhome owners from Southern California since 1976. Visit our website: www.gmcpc.org



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FROM BEHIND THE WHEEL

As you know my time as your president is getting close to an end. I want to thank everyone for making it a pleasure to serve. This is by far the friendliest, happy and successful club I have ever belonged to. We are family not friends. I plan to have a meeting in August at the Barn Rally. We need 15 coaches or more because we need a quorum in order to vote on some very important changes on the by-laws and also to vote on the new officers who will become active October 1st, 2014.

John puts on a really great rally—so please sign up. How can you refuse a good time, good food, and your GMC stories from your fellow GMC'ers.

Bob Cook won the President's attendance prize for the second time around. You have to attend the rally in order to win. If you snooze you loose.

Ralph's joke of the day!

A good politician is a man that can tell you to go to hell and you look forward to making the trip.

Your President Ralph Mundia



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BARN BASH RALLY

GMC PACIFIC CRUISERS BARN BASH IV RALLY AUGUST 22 24, 2014 LOCKWOOD BARN IN VENTURA

It has been six years since our last BARN BASH RALLY...IT'S ABOUT TIME FOR ANOTHER!

The location is at John and Dee's Farm in Ventura. There is plenty of parking, but it is dry camping only. (We can use an extension cord for a special situation, if necessary.) Please arrive with a full water tank and empty holding tank. No dump on site.

DIRECTIONS: Take 101 FWY (coming from NORTH OR SOUTH) to the SEAWARD AVE exit. Go LEFT ONTO HARBOR BLVD. Take HARBOR BLVD. SOUTH (past signals at Peninsula & Oyster) to SCHOONER DR (3rd signal). Make a U-TURN at SCHOONER DR and stay in right lane. Go past first "dirt road entry" and keep right onto shoulder. Go up NARROW DIRT ROAD on right all the way to the barn. The road looks very small, but we do it all the time. Go left on wider dirt road in front of the barn and PARK ON LEFT SIDE UNDER THE TREES.

Barn address: 2950 Harbor Blvd.

WEDNESDAY/THURSDAY, AUGUST 20/21

12:00 – ON

If you want to come early and help set up, you are very welcome. We will provide chili, a bonfire, box wine & a keg
Please bring something to share.
Call 805-642-3111 or 805-794-4144 if you are coming early

FRIDAY, AUGUST 22

9AM – 5PM

Come on in and register.

12PM – 1PM

Interesting speaker (tba)

2PM – 4 PM

Preparation of DEEP PIT BARBEQUE

2PM – 5PM

Happy Hours with KEG, BOX WINE & BLASTERS SUPPLIED

6PM – 8PM

Fish tacos made on the Maytag Wok + bonfire time

SATURDAY, AUGUST 23

8AM – 9:30AM

Big Ranch Breakfast, with lots of cholesterol and coffee

10AM – 11AM

Another interesting speaker (tba)

11:AM – 1:30PM

Explore Downtown Ventura's Thrift & Antique Stores, go to the beach, hang around the pond, hang around the keg
Auctioneer Johnny's famous AUCTION! \$10 COUPON provided. Bring something fun to auction (optional)

2:30PM – 4:30PM

Happy Hour & unveiling, slicing and eating of the DEEP PIT BARBEQUED MEAT + other good stuff
DANCE PARTY IN THE BARN to live music, by live GMC owners and their live band! Guests welcome.

5PM – 7:30PM

7:30PM – 9:00PM

SUNDAY, AUGUST 24

8AM – 9:00AM Another hearty Ranch Breakfast
9:30AM – 10:30AM Club Meeting, etc
11AM – 4PM Adios and Clean-up time. If you want to stay, all help will be appreciated...Put away tables, take down shade structures, put up hay bales, sweep barn, finish keg, etc.

RALLY HOSTS: John & Dee Lockwood 805-642-3111 or cell 805-794-4144

Ken & Judy Booth 928-764-3378 or cell 928-699-0913

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS: Dogs are OK but please bring poop bags and dog must be on leash. Wear good walking shoes and bring a flashlight. Bring plates and utensils to all meals...we will supply cups and a washing station.

SPECIAL WARNING: Our organic strawberry and celery farm is beautiful, but it is a working farm, so please be careful. "As an attendee at this event you promise to hold harmless John & Dee Lockwood and Tessa Roper & Kent Smith, for any personal injuries (including death), property losses, or damage, in connection with this activity." (We must include this.)

GMC PACIFIC CRUISERS BARN BASH IV RALLY

AUGUST 22 – 24, 2014

LOCKWOOD BARN IN VENTURA

Send check & Registration to Dee Lockwood, 3086 Bayshore Av., Ventura 93001

Names _____ Phone _____ Cell _____

Address _____

Coach w/ 2 persons \$ 145.00

Coach w/ 1 person \$ 110.00

Extra person 50.00

Amount enclosed \$ _____

COARSEGOLD RALLY REPORT

Spring Time in Coarsegold was a joint rally with the GMC 49ers and the Pacific Cruisers held May 30th thru June 1, 2014 at Yosemite South KOA. The rally hosts were Marc and Lillian Trubert and Donna and Dave de Graffenreid who happen to be members of both clubs. We found this to be a great rally that generated very good memories. We arrived on Friday and started to touch base with friends as happy hour began and were served a catered dinner of salad, rolls, meat patties, chicken, fish, mashed potatoes, gravy, and vegetables, at the camp Club House. Then several of us engaged in games of Mexican Train.

Saturday started with a catered breakfast of fruit, biscuits and gravy, bacon, sausage, potato, scrambled eggs, juice and coffee. A meeting was held where plans for both club's future rallies were discussed. Then every one was free to choose their activities for the day. There was a tech discussion session "Things I wouldn't want to do again with my coach" led by Doug Norton. At the same time, a craft group made pot holders with Lillian Turbert. Also, 2 or 3 ladies made lanyards with the leftovers from the last rally. Other activities included a drive to Bass Lake, a drive to Mariposa Grove, antiquing in local shops, reading a book, or kicking back in the camp ground. There were several who helped out on a GMC project: Dave and Donna de Graffenreid, Nick Roenick, Joe Nehl, and Joe Echols drove over to the Condos home and



GMC made out of horseshoes



**Marc and Lillian Trubert
Rally Hosts**



Shaded coaches



Sunday morning breakfast



Friday night happy hour in club house.



Friday evening catered dinner

helped Frank install new windows in his motorhome and helped install a roof air conditioner. That was a good days work and fun. We all know GMC owners love to work on their vehicles and help others.

The planned train ride and barbeque was unfortunately cancelled by the vendor (money will be refunded). So, Dave and Donna de Graffenreid stepped up to the plate and organized our own barbeque. With a quick collection of funds, a trip to the store and lots of helping hands by evening a delicious dinner was had by all. There was hamburger & hotdogs, and all the fixings, potato salad, bean salad, chips and dip, and ice cream for dessert. As soon as darkness fell in the campground the outdoor movie "Paint Your Wagon" was projected on a giant near drive-in size screen just opposite the pool area. We lasted for two hours of the three hour movie as weather turned very cold. All of the favorite scenes were remembered.

49ers and Pacific Cruisers Rally Springtime in Coarsegold May 30 – June 1, 2014 Yosemite South KOA

Bolton, Carla and Mike Burtch
Bolton, Bill and Sharyn Kastner
Burgess, Francis and Margery
Cantrell, Dave and Arlene
Condos, Frank and Freddi
Cook, Bob
deGraffenreid, Dave and Donna
Echols, Joseph and Rosalyn
Good, Ginger and Bob
Hauge, Charlotte and Hoss
Hooton, Bob and Dorthy
Kincaid, Jack and Mary
Mundia, Ralph and Annie
Nehl, Joe and Kathy
Norton, Doug and Irene
Roenick, Nick and Donna Ventura
Schultz, Bobbie and Gene
Shutzbaugh, Alyce and John
Trubert, Marc and Lillian
Wevers, Bill and Karen
Yeager, Kirk and Eloise



Pacific Cruisers cool near the pool



Kathy Nehl serves Saturday evening desert



A pool of Forty Niners cooling their heels



The twins



A GMC weekend at Yosemite South KOA



Two Daves conspire

Sunday morning there was another catered breakfast much the same at the first one. It filled us up for the trip home. Thanks were given to all for their help with rally. A special acknowledgement to Dave de Graffenreid and Hoss Hauge for the clever GMC center pieces crafted from horseshoes. A volunteer crew cleaned up the hall and everyone was on there way.

By my count there were 19 coaches, one couple in a cabin, and one couple came from home as it was so close. The Kincaids came in on Saturday as they had to have starter surgery to their coach on the way. There were 41 folks in attendance: Bolton, Burtch, Bolton, Kastner, Burgess, Cantrell, Condos, Cook, Hauge, Good, de Graffenreid, Echols, Hooton, Kincaid, Mundia, Nehl, Norton, Roenick, Schultz, Shutzbaugh, Trubert, Ventura, Wevers, and Yeager.

Reported by Irene Norton



Sunday morning breakfast



Saturday evening preparing the barbequed burgers and dogs



Lillian works the crowd Saturday evening

LABOR DAY RALLY ANNOUNCEMENT

Santee Lakes Labor Day Rally
September 19-21, 2014
Santee Lakes RV Park
9310 Fanita Parkway, Santee, CA 92071
Hosts: Mike & Fran Fimbres, Co Hosts: Bobbie & Gene Schultz
Price: \$130 2 per coach, \$100 1 per coach

- Friday 12:00** Check in at noon—Full Hook ups.
Santee Lakes Recreation Park is a beautiful 190 acre park, surrounding 7 scenic lakes. The park provides a tranquil setting for camping, fishing, biking & bird watching, in a natural environment in the best backyard in San Diego. It was named “park of the year” by the national association of parks and campgrounds
- 4:30** Happy Hour—sample our San Diego Craft Beers along with wine –BYOB & snacks
- 5:30** Labor Day Picnic
Checkered table cloths—fried chicken, corn on the cob, baked beans and potato salad.
Desert—home made fruit pies with churned ice cream—that you churn yourself—like times of old
Toasted marshmallows over the fire.
- Saturday 8:00** Continental breakfast with coffee & tea
Followed by the Hunger Games:
Fishing Derby— dust off your fishing poles
Play horseshoes—win prizes
Lounge by the pool
Play card games in the clubhouse
- 4:30** Root beer floats or root beer snaps— wine too
BYOB
- 5:30** Sub sandwiches, salad, chipotle dips
Desert is chocolate cake
- Sunday 8:00** Pancake breakfast with fresh berries, juice and coffee, tea
- 12:00** Checkout—have a safe trip home

Directions: Off I-5, I-805, Highway 163 or I-15, go east on Highway 52, take Mast Blvd east to Santee Lakes Park

Send your check and registration to Mike and Fran Fimbres, 28062 Meadowcreek Rd, Canyon Country, CA 91351. Telephone 661 251 9086 home, 661 803 0690 cell

Names _____ Tele _____ Cell _____

Address _____ Zip _____ Coach License _____

Sept 19-21

Coach with 2 persons: \$130.00

Coach with 1 person \$100.00

Total enclosed _____

KARNEVAL MIT HERZ

KARNEVAL MIT HERZ Nov 13,14,15,16 2014 Canyon RV Park Anaheim, Ca

Hosts: BOBBIE & Gene Schultz, Judy & Ken Booth

Price \$279.00 per coach, \$50 less if you come on Friday Nov 14th

Thursday Check in at noon – towed's are free—extra car \$10.00, dog \$1.00 extra per day, payable at gate, Full hook ups.
Canyon RV Park is the hidden jewel of Orange County – 63 acres of the Featherly Wilderness Preserve – Canyon RV is situated along the Santa Ana River in the heart of the Santa Ana Canyon—bring your bikes - you can cruise through the park or cycle down the Santa Ana Bike Trail.

4:00 - 6:00 Happy Hour—Clubhouse at the pool. And a Deutsch lesson.

7:00 Meet the vans—Arlene & David Cantrell are the two drivers who will shuttle the two 15 passenger vans for the 3 days

7:30 - 10:30 We will attend Big Band dancing at the German Club in their beautiful ballroom—dress like you are on a cruise ship—cocktail attire. Dance admittance is \$10.00 per person, not included in the rally price.

Friday

8:00 - 9:30 Continental breakfast in the clubhouse by the pool—coffee, fruit and rolls.

12:00 Men's GMC discussion—Ken Booth

Ladies group activity—Make hats for Karneval, bring fabric scraps, trim, old jewelry

4:30 - 5:30 Happy Hour Clubhouse by the pool—continue with Thursday's hors d'ouvers, BYOB

6:00 Dinner at the Clubhouse by the pool—Ralph Mundia, your president, is cooking his famous Tri Tip Roast. Each coach to bring a side dish to share with the group.



Saturday

8:00 - 9:30 Continental breakfast in the clubhouse by the pool—coffee, fruit and rolls

4:30 - 5:30 Happy Hour Clubhouse by the pool—BYOB, come dressed for Karneval, prizes by popular vote

5:00 Shuttle to German Club

5:30 - 12:00 Dinner at the German Club, Garden Room, German buffet:

Salad: German Potato salad, Wurst salad with parsley vinaigrette— Tomato and Cucumber Salad, Dill dressing

Entrée: Oven Roast pork loin with homemade gravy—Beef Roulade, all accompanied with braised red cabbage or sauerkraut—spatzle or mashed potatoes—fresh veggies

Dessert German apple strudel, vanilla sauce, German chocolate cake—coffee & tea included
The Club has a Bierstube, a full Bar with \$5.00 german drafts or \$15.00 pitchers of Bit burger Pils. A variety of Bier Steins are available for purchase.

Much awaits us after dinner. We will have our own tables at the Karneval Show and we will learn to Polka like the Germans. The Karneval show is extensive, comedy acts, costumes, marching, dancers and dancing, skits in English and German, dress in bright colors, beads, and funny hat, prize for funniest hat. The show goes till midnight, we then crawl to the vans for home. All included in your package except for the drinks.

Schlafen sie wohl—las die wansen nicht beisen - sleep tight—don't let the bed bugs bite

Sunday Continental breakfast in the clubhouse by the pool—coffee, fruit and rolls

8:00 - 9:30 Fill out Bobbie's quiz for an extra prize—Aufwiedersehen

DIRECTIONS From the East: Take I-15 to Hwy 91 West to exit 41a, at the foot of the ramp, there is a stop light, continue straight to the Canyon RV Park entrance.

From the West: Take a north/south freeway to Hwy 91, proceed east to exit 41, at foot of the ramp (Gypsum Road), turn left under the freeway, at first light, turn left into Canyon RV Park

Send your check and registration to: Roberta Schultz, 1161 Meadowlake Dr., Vista , CA 92084

760-941-1589 (home) 760-525-3551 (Bobbie's cell) 760-525-5016 (Gene's cell)

Sign up by November 9th

After that I can't get reservations for you at the Saturday Karneval dinner and dance

Names _____ Tele _____ Cell _____
Address _____ Zip _____ Coach Lic# _____

Nov 13 to 16 2014

Coach with 2 persons: \$279.00

Coach with 1 Person \$229.00

Total Enclosed _____

Nov 14 to 16 2014

Coach with 2 persons \$229.00

Coach with 1 person \$179.00

NEW YEAR'S EVE

NEW YEARS EVE PARTY Dec 31 2014 to Jan 1 2015

Elks Lodge, Vista Ca

1947 E Vista Way

Vista, CA 92084

Hosts: Lynda Harris & Ron Roman

Price \$55.00 per person

The Benevolent and Protective Order of the Elks sponsors the Vista Lodge #1968.

On New Years Eve, the Vista Lodge will provide a cocktail party, dinner, prize raffles and champagne toasts at 9, 11, and midnight, followed by breakfast before we retire for the night.

Wednesday Check in at noon – Dry camping only. You will be parking on the lower level below the Elks Lodge on E Vista Way

**Cocktail Party starts in the lodge at 5:30 for about 250 guests and includes
Our GMC group.**

5:30 **Cocktails**
7:00 **Dinner**
8:30 **Raffles**
9:00 **New Years East Coast Toast—champagne furnished**
11:00 **New Years Toast, Elks—champagne furnished**
12:00 **New Years Toast, 2015—champagne furnished**
12:00 plus **Breakfast will be served after all the festivities.**

Dance the night away with about 250 other guests!
Enjoy the facilities, while bringing in 2015!
Sleep well, don't let the bed bugs bite!

Thursday

9:00 and later **Continental breakfast under the tent, in the field by the GMC's—Hoss's fire ring, coffee, rolls and fruit. Prize for the best pajamas.**
Have a safe trip home.

DIRECTIONS **From the North East: Take I 15 south to Gopher Canyon Road, west to Vista Way, west on Vista Way to 1947 E Vista Way**
From the South East: Take I 15 north to hwy 78, west on 78 to Civic Center drive, north on Civic Center to E Vista Way, right on E Vista Way to 1947 E Vista Way
From the West: Take I 5 to Hwy 78, East on 78 to Civic Center Dr, north on Civic Center Drive to E Vista Way, right on E Vista Way to 1947 E Vista Way

Send your check and registration to: Lynda Harris, 10931 Sombra Ct, San Diego , CA 92124
858-569-6121(home) 858-583-1904 (Lynda's cell)

Sign up no later than Nov 30

Names _____ **Tele** _____ **Cell** _____

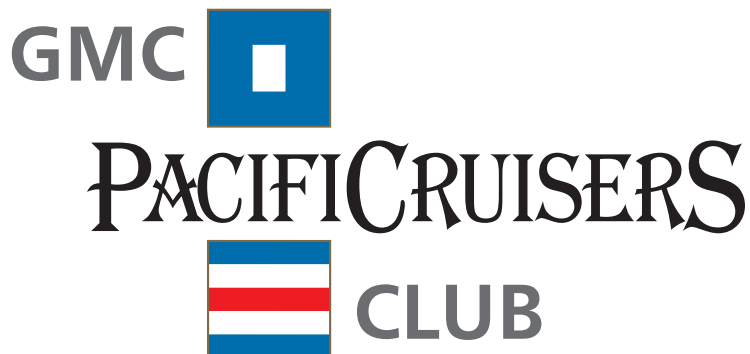
Address _____ **Zip** _____ **Coach Lic#** _____

Dec 31 2014

Coach with 2 persons: \$110.00

Coach with 1 Person \$55.00

Total Enclosed _____



2014 RALLY SCHEDULE

August 22-24, 2014

Summer Barn Rally-We will get together with our hosts at Dee and John Lockwood's Farm in Ventura-joining in the cooking at an old fashioned pit-barbecue. More info to follow. See you on the farm. Dry camping.

September 19-21, 2014

Santee Lakes Regional Park-Santee/San Diego Hosted by Fimbres/Schultz

October 1-6, 2014 Western States 4 Amigos-French Camp RV park in Manteca, Ca. Hosted by Banovich/DeGraffenreid/Travao, Roenick. More information to follow.

November 13-16, 2014

Karneval Mit Herz-Canyon RV, Ahaheim, Canyon RV Park is the hidden jewel of Orange County-63 acres of the Featherly Wilderness Preserve-Canyon RV is situated along the Santa Ana River in the heart of the Santa Ana Canyon-Hosted by Schultz/Booths

December 30-January 1, 2015

New Years Party-Elks Club in Vista, Ca. Party hosted by the Elks Club of Vista and Harris/Roman. Includes breakfast after the festivities. Continental breakfast the next morning by Hoss's fire ring.

Rally Masters Wanted. Lots of help will be given, but we need you!!! Silent Valley, Riverside, Visalia/Sequoia, Refugio State Beach, Anza Borrego, San Diego Harbor are all possibilities looking for hosts, but other locations will also be great. bobbie@daygotours.com)if you would like to host. Have a fun year and thanks to all of you.

Leaving you with these words of wisdom:
When folks are out of hope, don't kick'em, don't hold'em under.
Administer grace!! LOTS of grace.

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