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Dues were due on October 1, 2015. If you have not yet sent them in, please do so now. .Deadline December 1/New VP of Membership is Dave Shehane. Send checks to him at Chinook RV Club % Dave Shehane 2280 Country Lane Auburn, CA. 95603

UPCOMING RALLIES

Chula Vista, CA Pahrump, NV. Temecula, CA Victoria, BC (annual) Comox, BC In December 3, Out December 6, 2015 In March 31, Out April 3, 2016 In May 19, Out May 22, 2016 In July 25, Out July 29, 2016 In July 29, Out August 2, 2016

PURPOSE: This Club (Chinook RV Club) exists to promote social, recreational & informational exchange activities that provide for the enjoyment and pleasurable use of all its members. Our club functions primarily in the western and central US, although it is open to qualified members from the Eastern club (Chinook Camping Club). DUES : Our dues are \$35.00/year. Our fiscal and membership year is October 1 through September 30. Prompt payment not only helps Treasurer in budgeting expenses, but also

September 30. Prompt payment not only helps Treasurer in budgeting expenses, but also helps the V.P.Membership to produce our Membership Directory. Please advise V.P.Membership of any changes in e-mail and mailing addresses.

Message from the President

I wish to express my appreciation for voting me in as your new president! I am humbled by your confidence in me for this role, and Iwill strive to be a great president for all the members.

We had a terrific annual rally at Distant Drums RV Resort, at CampVerde, AZ! Mary & Bob Coleman put on an impressive rally, with tons of activities; so many in fact that Debbie and I couldn't attend them all. The weather changed a lot after we arrived, giving us an idea of how quickly it can change in Arizona! Maybe we'll be back there next year.

I thought I'd give everyone a little background about Debbie and me. We have been members for more than ten years. We purchased our Chinook Destiny used in May, 2004. It came with the Club Lounge, but we wanted a bigger bed, so we had it converted to the Dinette layout. At the time we were doing a lot of "dry camping" with our three sons Rob, Brian and Aaron. Rob and Jennifer had two sons, Nathan and Josh. Debbie and I have been camping together for almost our entire married life.I am a retired (April 2014) IT guy, and Debbie continues to work at International City Mortgage as a Marketing Coordinator, until she retires in November or December of 2017.As for rallies, our schedule looks busy through early August 2016, but you never know, those "flash rallies" can pop up at any time.

I encourage all of you to think about possibly hosting a rally sometime in 2017!.

See you at Chula Vista in December!

Bob Shetland



Linda Speaks (VP Rally)

Dear Fellow Chinookers.

The annual meeting is over and several members took their places as new officers:

New President: Bob Shetland

Vice President of Membership: Dave Shehane

Vice President of Rallies: Linda Blackburn

- Secretary: Mary Esther Chavarela
- Treasurer: Mary Coleman

Member at Large: Barbara Jensen

Congratulations and thank you for taking an office and supporting your club.

Bob and Mary Coleman have set the bar for an annual rally very high. "BRAVO, BRAVO, BRAVO". What a good time we had. Every day was great and filled with new sight seeing adventures. We had our breakfast on our own as well as lunch, but dinner was provided every night except potluck night. As usual the food was delicious.

We went to Sedona and Jerome and spent 1/2 day at each site on separate days with multiple sites to see. After Jerome, we were taken by bus to the Blazin'M Ranch for a dinner/show. What a place. We really enjoyed the place with lots to see and do. The dinner was delicious and the show was great !Loved it and you would have liked it too.

Saturday were optional tours like; Out Of Africa, wine tasting, and Montezuma Castle.

Mary and Bob saw to our every need and spoiled us all rotten----Thank you---

Any free time was spent at the little pavilion or at Bob and Mary's rig, eating, drinking and laughing our way thru the evening . We all had a great time. Bob was our canner this year and he canned asparagus and made jam (kumquat) and anyone who wanted some, got some . He made a lot for everyone (42 people and 21 rigs.) Thanks Bob, it was all delicious.

After our last dinner we took pictures of the group with funny faces and just our faces. This was the second go round at picture taking. We all had a good laugh with our photographers. Lots of fun wish you all could have come. Maybe next time.

We still have Chula Vista coming up this year, our last rally for 2015. Contact Mary Esther (she's in the book) Also look at the 2016 rallies and get your reservation in soon. Travel Safe

Linda Blackburn VP of Rallies



To Lucy and Al Enriquez and Jim Weiderman Thank you very much for helping me while I am recovering from a leg injury I am getting stronger in that leg but its a long process All of the above mentioned help me get up from a seated position and

help me to get in the van that carried us around. I was very embarrassed that I had to have help but I am working on that and hopefully I will be totally able to help myself

Camp Verde, AZ (Annual) Held Oct.14-18, 2015

Tuesday 10-13-2015

Several of us came in a day early, Jensens, Weidmaiers, Walls, Blackburns, and of course our hosts the Colemans. We gathered and talked, and after the long drive, got to bed early.

Wednesday 10-14-2015.

Weather held and it was kind of on the warm side. Slowly, the rest of the club arrived, bringing the total to 21 coaches.



Starting at 4pm, we gathered in the club-



house for social hour and at 6pm, a "dinner" of "walking tacos". It started with an individual bag of Fritos, we crunched them in the bag, and added



ground beef, onions, lettuce, cheese, tomatoes and sour cream into that bag. We tried to eat it out of the bag but most gave up and dumped it onto a plate for a delicious taco salad. We talked into the night, and finally retired.

Thursday 10-15-2015

At 9am we boarded the trolley and headed for Sedona, and a visit to the



Chapel of the Holy Cross. Perched high up on the mountain side. Then drove thru





Boynton Canyon for some spectacular views. Next stop was a

re-created Mexican town called Tlaquepaque. A cluster of shops, restau-



rants, and galleries. We had time for lunch there and strolled through the various art galleries. We



rode back to the RV park where we had the annual board meeting at 4pm. At 6pm, we had our catered dinner and annual business

meeting. Reports were presented by the officers and included reports of upcoming rallies. During dinner we



had the election of officers.





Friday 10-16-2015 Another big day of tours, this time on a large comfortable touring bus. We went



to the city of Jerome. It had gone from a copper mining boom town of 15,000 to Arizona largest ghost town after the mines closed.. By 1950, it was down to

50 people. It is now a thriving tourist

city with artists, boutiques, restaurants and shops. One shop I visited, Nellie Bly Kaleidoscopes, was filled with all kinds of hand made kaleidoscopes, like this one priced at a meager \$20,000.



While we were eating lunch, a rain storm came up, but only lasted for half an hour. Our stay in town lasted for 2 hours, then back on the bus to the ancient ruins of Tuzigoot. This is the remnant of a Southern Sinagua village built between 1000 and 1400. It originally two stories high and had 87 ground floor rooms.



Back on the bus and back to the RV park for an hour and a half rest, before heading to dinner. Dinner was held at the



Blazin'M Ranch in Cottonwood, AZ. This was an "authentically replicated" Western town. We all went on a tractor

pulled tram around the park. Some got lessons and tried their hands at cattle



roping, Vera was finally successful! Dinner was held ranch style with plenty to eat. Chicken and ribs, potatoes, biscuits and beans and coleslaw. Desert was ice



on tin plates and drinking cups were tin also. Then came the dinner show. Professional songs and funny skits.

cream and cobbler. Dinner was served



By the end of this, we were exhausted and ready for the bus ride back to RV Park. (I forgot to mention that on the day we checked in we were told that the hot water heaters were broken, new ones had been ordered and they hoped to get them repaired by the end of the week. That didn't happen, so every night we took our showers in our Chinooks. I'm glad that's why they put them in.)

Saturday 10-17-2015



This morning, a youth group put on a fundraising pancake breakfast in the clubhouse. It turned out to be a good breakfast of scrambled eggs, sausage, juice and coffee and all you could eat pancakes. Great way to start the day.



After breakfast we had our book exchange in the little gazebo where we got some new "reads".



Since today was a day for individual choices of several optional tours, we used rented vehicles (a 15 passenger van and a Tahoe) to take groups to their chosen trips. Some went to "Out of Africa" (a wild animal park}, Montezuma Castle and Well (an ancient five story structure built on the side of a cliff 100 'above the valley floor), while the rest of us stayed back and caught up on our reading, relaxed and had an impromptu wine tasting before the pot luck scheduled for 5pm.

As usually happens on the pot lucks, there was too much food.

In the clubhouse, all was set out. Actually, this was the only pot-luck in the rally. We were all spoiled with dinner provided every night.

On the way into the clubhouse for dinner, we saw in the clouds, what looked like the Roadrunner. It was a good omen for the last night of festivities.

After dinner, we cleaned up the clubhouse, took back our leftovers, and continued with conversations outside. Finally tired out, we went to bed.

What a great rally. Everything went off without a hitch; we welcomed new members and first time rally comers, we elected a mostly new board of Officers, (Dave Shehane switched position, Mary Esther Chavarela continued at Secretary, and Barbara Jensen switched to Member-At-Large), met our quorum for voting and conducting business, and thoroughly enjoyed ourselves. If you didn't attend this rally, try to get to the next one and see what you have been missing !

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Mike Froess

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Orientation first day



Only McDonalds in US with a GREEN logo



Our Hosts, Bob & Mary Coleman



Only some of the 21 Chinooks



"Walking Tacos" meal (meal in a bag)



Catered dinner



Trolley car ride to Sedona, etc.



Little herd of elephants Priced at \$11,000



Start of Annual Business meeting



"Madonna and Child" rock near Sedona



Fountain in Tlaquepaque village



Our own little gazebo just for us.



Linda Blackburn giving Update report on Rallies



Mary Esther Chavarela Announcing election results



Bill Dare with seat all to Himself



Marta Newcomb-Wall announcing election



Dave Shehane's last official act as President



Ruins at Tuzigoot



Gary Brown showing location and info for Victoria Rally



Dave Shehane handing over Presidency to Bob Shetland



Lurking in bushes at Jerome



Bob & Debbie giving info on Temecula rally



Bus ride to Jerome, etc.



Central Vacuum in Jerome museum



Just clowning around



Last day: Roadrunner in the clouds



Al Enriques w/famous Chinook Song

Most of new Officers



Pancake breakfast



Pot Luck last night

12th Annual Rally, Camp Verde, AZ.



Attending, left to right; Mike Froess, Barbara Jensen, Bob Coleman, Dave Shehane, Mary Coleman, Patsy Shehane, Ole Jensen, Margie Froess, Doug Askerman, Oleta Askerman, Terri Runyon, Stan Oliveira, Gene Johnson, Bill & Anne Dare, Kit Oliveira, Pat Runyon, Marcia Johnson, Marnie Weidmaier, Debbie Shetland, Jim Weidmaier, Linda Blackburn, Monte Gorden, Ray Blackburn, Marta Newcomb-Wall, Helena Gorden, Soc Solis, Bert Wall, Mimi Starks, Bob Shetland, Juliana Geleszinski, Lucy Brown, Jim Geleszinski, Bob & Vera Raudman, Gary Brown, Vern Starks, Claudia Solis, Lucy & Al Enriquez Inset: Mike and Mary Esther Chavarela

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Good Sam Ry TRAVEL GUIDE Chula Vista RV Resort is

Chula Vista, CA

In December 3, Out December 6, 2015

San Diego's Bayside RV Camping Resort

The **RV Resort and Marina** is nestled on beautiful **San Diego Bay**, surrounded by landscaped parks and adjacent to its own **552 slip marina**. Some of the other amenities include a general store with ladies boutique, picnic area with barbecues, a beautiful swimming pool and spa, laundry facilities, full restrooms, and two waterfront restaurants, Galley at the Marina, and Dolphins Fish House.

Location: Chula Vista RV Resort & Marina, 460 Sandpiper Way, Chula Vista, CA. 91910

Reservations & Contact: Mary Esther Chavarela (626) 652-1729 or <u>mechavarela@earthlink.net</u> Reservations are made as a group. DO NOT book directly with the RV park. *See note below for early or extra days.*

Cost: Single \$161 - Double \$173 Mail checks payable to: Mary Esther Chavarela 16550 Elm Haven Drive , Hacienda Heights, CA 91745

Deadlines: \$100 deposit due by 9/01/15 & balance due by 10/31/15

Cancellations: If cancelled after 11/1/15, you will be charged \$49.50 (cost for 1 night) if cancelled after Nov. 25 you will forfeit your complete cost.

Activities / Itinerary:

Thursday, 3 rd -	Check in at Registration office after 2pm 5pm - Attitude adjustment at Chavarela site (hosted light meal)
Friday, 4 th –	 8am Coffee, Danish & Fruit @ Chavarela site 8:30am game 9am chamber of commerce rep to give info on points of interest in the area 10am – 5pm on your own enjoy San Diego 5:30pm Pot Luck Dinner & Karaoke
Saturday, 5 th -	8am Coffee, Danish & Fruit @ Chavarela site 8:30am game 9am – 2pm on your own 2pm Make Tamales 5:30pm Typical Mexican Christmas Dinner (Tamales) & (Optional) White Elephant gift exchange (unisex \$10-15 value)
Sunday. 6 th –	8am Coffee, Danish & Fruit @ Chavarela site 12pm check out – travel home – God Speed to you

NOTE: Members who wish to arrive one day early or stay one day longer may do so at the same group rate. They must call in their individual reservations for **those extra days** to the front office of the RV park, (800) 741-6878 and they must arrange payment for **those extra days** directly with them. Be sure to advise them that you are with the Chinook RV Club so that you site will be near or at our group's area.

UPCOMING RALLIES

Pahrump, Nevada (Mini) 3 nights March 31, out April 3, 2016 20 sites reserved







Location: Lakeside Casino and RV Park, 5870 South Homestead Rd, Pahrump, NV 89048
 Reservations & Contact: Vera Raudman (310) 378-5107 raudvera@AOL.com
 Cost: \$20 deposit due by February 28th. Balance for campsite payable at check-in. Send \$20 check made out and payable : Vera Raudman, 23427 Susana Ave, Torrance, CA 90505. (*Do not book reservations directly with park.* Contact Vera with questions)
 Deadline: February 28, 2016
 Cancellations: Refunds up to February 15th, 2016
 Activities: Thursday 31st, Attitude adjustment at Raudman's site, 5pm in the evening. Friday 1st, Free day. 5:30PM Pot Luck ! Saturday 2nd Free day. Ice cream social at Raudman's @2;00pm 5:30 Pot Luck Sunday 3rd Travel home safely

TEMECULA, CA Mini Rally May 19, out May 22, 2016 (20 sites reserved)

Located just off Interstate 15, this contemporary casino hotel and RV Resort is 4.1 miles from downtown Temecula.







Location: Pechanga RV Resort 45000 Pechanga Pkwy, Temecula, CA 92592

Reservations & Contact: Call Bob Shetland (949) 300-6390 or <u>bshetland2@gmail.com</u>.

Cost: \$145.25 Pets: \$5 per pet for up to seven (7) nights A \$10 fee charged for club members for early check-ins and late check-outs Check-in - 2PM - Please check in at the office before pulling into site - members with pets pay the pet fee at check-in. Check-out - Noon

Mail checks payable to Bob Shetland, 28402 Daroca, Mission Viejo, CA 92692

Deadline: April; 15, 2016

Additional Info:

We have 20 sites reserved; 3 of which are pull thru's. They are on a first come first served basis. If you require one of these sites, please contact Bob for details.

On Property free shuttle to Casino, and Journey Golf course

Picnic and Party Pavilion are reserved for Thursday, Friday and Saturday

Golfers: Journey golf course is world class . RV Club rates: after 10am weekdays \$85. After 10am weekends \$99 www.pechanga.com/golf for info.

No sites will be extended at club rate if you elect to arrive earlier or stay longer than hosts. Contact Bob to arrange arrival day earlier or stay one day later.

Activities:

Thursday, May 19 - Check in at office - 2PM or later Around 5PM, please come to the Picnic and Party Pavilion, next to your Host's site. We will have wine, beer, cheese/meat/veggie trays and other drinks .

Friday, May 20 - 10AM - 5PM - Free day. Enjoy the Pechanga Casino, Journey Golf course or Old Town Temecula, or local wineries. 5:30 PM - Pot Luck at the Picnic and Party Pavilion

Saturday, May 21 - Free day. 10AM - Book Exchange at the Picnic and Party Pavilion, or enjoy the Pechanga Casino, Journey Golf Course, Old Town Temecula, or local wineries

Sunday, May 22 - Departure by Noon, and have a safe trip home!!

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VICTORIA, B. C. In July 25, 2016 Out July 29, 2016



LOCATION: West Bay Marine Village RV Park . 453 Head Street, Victoria, BC, V9A551 (www.westbay.bc.ca) (250)385-1831 COST: \$43.00(U.S) per night (\$50.00(Can) DEADLINE: May 1, 2016 **DEPOSIT**: \$43.00 (US) **RESERVATIONS:** Reservations are to be made to Charlene Tufford by phone or E-Mail followed by a check in the amount of \$43.00 (US). The remainder of the cost is to be paid to the RV Park upon arrival.

Please mail your deposit to Charlene soon she wants to make a deposit the first of May to insure every one gets a spot. Check out the web page on this RV park. I love it. I bet you will too.

Mail to Charlene Tufford (250) 384-8974 tuffsgc@shaw.ca 1163 Greenwood Ave Victoria BC, Canada V9A 5L9

Currently there are 13 (thirteen) confirmed members booked and deposits received. There are still 7 (seven) spots available for booking and will be held until 1 May 2016. After this time the spots will be returned to the RV park for their use.

Additional information: There is a vintage car show (pre-1950 cars) being held in downtown Victoria Sunday 24 July. It is called Deuce Days and there will be approximately 800-900 cars from Canada and the USA on display (information avail on line at DEUCE Days Victoria 2016). We have managed to secure a number of spots at the RV Park for Sat 23 Jul and Sunday 24 July. There are three(3) spots remaining if anyone is interested. You would have to arrive on Sat 23 Jul in order to take in the show on 24 Jul. If you are interested please contact Charlene to book.

INFORMATION:

The following is provided for your information: Water Taxi: RV Park to downtown Victoria

www.victoriaharbourferry.com) Butchart Gardens:

(www.butchartgardens.com) Royal BC Museum:

(www.royalbcmuseum.bc.ca)

Victoria Information:

(www.visitors-info.com)

Ferry: (MV COHO) Port Angeles Wash to Victoria: (www.cohoferry.com) Tel from USA 1-360-457-4491

Ferry: (BC Ferries) Tsawwassen (Vancouver) to Swartz Bay (Victoria) Tel: 1-888-223-3779

Ferry: Washington State Ferries, Anacortes Wash to Sydney BC (Victoria) Tel: 206-515-3426

RECOMMENDED ACTIVITIES Butchart Gardens,

Royal BC Museum, Empress Hotel, Tour Inner Harbor (walk), Harbor Ferry Tours, Beacon Hill Park, Victoria Chinatown,

Downtown Shopping, City Bus Tours, Horse Carriage Tours, Visit BC Legislature Buildings, Whale Watching Tours, People Watching. These are only some of the sights and activities available.

PROPOSED ITINERARY

Monday 25 July 2016 - Check in time starts at 12:00 PM. Meet & Greet 5:00 PM Tufford Unit (Proposed snacks and Cold Plate provided)

Tuesday 26 July & Wednesday 27 July -Free days to enjoy area and activities with Pot Luck both evenings for those on sight.

Thursday 28 July - Free morning (Dinner with Annual Meeting? (If applicable)

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION - The situation at the RV Park for power, water and sewer is that the facility outlets are shared on the same post for two units. This means that every second unit may have to back in to the sight if they do not have sufficient power, water and sewer lengths to drive straight in and pass the lines under their unit. In most cases this may not be a problem but I recommend you bring additional lengths.

Recommend you bring good walking shoes, backpack, and bring some warmer clothing because the evenings could become a little windy and cool at the RV Park due to the proximity to the ocean

COSTCO no longer accepts American Express Credit Cards in Canada but does accept MASTERCARD.

There is a small Shopping Plaza within a 10 minute walk distance from the RV Park. It contains a Grocery Store, Bakery, Liquor Store, Drug Store, Bank and a Dollar Store.

If for any reason you are not able to arrive on your scheduled date, please advise WestBay Marine Village ASP. We would not like to see you arrive late and have your space re-allocated to someone else.

Gordon & Charlene Tufford

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COMOX, B.C. July 29, Out August 2, 2016



www.capelazo.com 1.888.558.3946

Come and see how a small town on Vancouver Island celebrates the August provincial holiday weekend. Something for almost everyone-arts and crafts, entertainment, a parade, a car show, boat races, a sea cadet sunset drill and fireworks! We will have a mini-van shuttle form the Cape Lazo RV Park into town for the events and for those who might be interested, up Mt Washington to our local ski resort for lunch and a ride up the chairlift to the top of the mountain to look out over the Comox Valley, the Strait of Georgia and the Coast Mountain range on the mainland. On a clear day we can see from north of Campbell River to Deep Bay in the south. Although it is about 3 miles from the RV park into downtown Comox, the two sites in town are less than ½ mile apart so walking between them is no problem.

Since I have become familiar with the hassles and expense of processing foreign checks, I ask you to make your own reservations with the RV park and will collect for common expenses (the minivan) upon arrival. The details of the park are available at www.capelazo.com and if you identify yourselves as attending the Chinook Rally, I will prevail upon them to put us in the same area, but it is not a big deal since it is a small park and the pavilion is centrally located. The park was completely renovated in 2013 with a new store/office and new washrooms. Currently site prices

HUMOR

- My windows aren't dirty.... That's my dog's nose art.
- If heat makes things expand, I don't have a weight problem, I'm just hot.
- People who say "Nothing tastes as good as skinny feels." have obviously never had bacon.
- I'd lose weight, but I hate losing.
- Whenever I feel the need to exercise, I lie down until it goes away.
- What fits your busy schedule better, exercising one hour a day or being dead 24 hours a day?
- I'm going to order a broiled skinless chicken breast, but I want you to bring me lasagna and garlic bread by mistake.
- A doctor goes out and buys the best car on the market, a brand new Ferrari GTO. It is also the most expensive car in the world, and it costs him %500,000. He takes it out for a spin and stops at a red light. An old man on a moped, looking about 100 years old, pulls up next to him. The old man looks over at the sleek shinny car and asks, "What kinda car ya got there, sonny?" The doctor replies "A Ferrari GTO. It cost half a million dollars". "That's a lot of money", says the old man. "Why does it cost so much?" Because this car can do up to 320 MPH" states the doctor proudly. "Mind if I take a look inside?" "No problem" replied the doctor.

are \$35 and \$45/ night. The park is located just past our home and has easy access to the beach. The important point to remember is that it is their busiest weekend as many of the exhibitors stay there so they recommend getting your reservations in by the first of June2015,

Our schedule will be as follows:

29 July-Arrival and get together pot luck in the park pavilion. **30 July**-After breakfast, shuttle runs to the Filberg Festival (www.filbergfestival.com) for the artisans show and stage entertainment held on the grounds of Filberg Lodge (the waterfront home and gardens of one of the early Comox families). The entry fee is \$15 each and lunch may be purchased at the teahouse.

31 July- After breakfast, shuttle runs into Comox for those not interested in lunching and sightseeing on the mountain (Dragon Boat races are held in the harbor). At approx 9:30 the first run up the mountain for the chairlift, with a second run at 11:15. The two groups can meet for lunch before the second group does the chairlift trip. The reason for using multiple runs with a minivan is driving a 15 pass van requires a commercial license which I don't have.

<u>1 August-</u>We shuttle into town for a pancake breakfast at the marina, then take in the parade, the car show and the Build, Bail and Sail boat race which is a real hoot as you watch the teams build their boats before racing them two at a time in the afternoon

(www.comoxnauticaldays.ca). Events at the marina are free and there are many food vendors to chose from. The shuttle will run throughout the day and into the evening for the sea cadet sunset ceremony and the fireworks.

<u>2 August</u>-Departure

Lucy and Gavey Brown (<u>l-g-brown@telus.net</u>) Phone (International toll charges may apply) 250 339-0752

So the old man pokes his head in the window and looks around. Then, sitting back on his moped, the old man says," That's a pretty nice car, all right,,, but I'll stick with my moped" Just then the light changes, so the doctor decided to show the old man just what his car can do. He floors it, and within 30 seconds the speedometer reads 160 MPH. Suddenly he notices a dot in his rear view mirror. It seems to be getting closer! He slows down to see what it could be and suddenly WHHHOOOOOOSSSSSSHHHHH!. Something whips by him going much faster! "What on earth could be going faster than my Ferrari?" the doctor asks himself. He floors the accelerator and takes the Ferrari up to 250 MPH. Then up ahead of him he sees the old man on the Moped! Amazed that the Moped could pass his Ferrari, he gives it more gas and passes the Moped at 275 MPH. WWHHOOOOSSHHHH!. He's feeling pretty good until he looks in his mirror and see the old man gaining on him again! Astounded by the speed of this old guy, he floors the gas pedal and takes the Ferrari all the way up to 320 MPH. Not a second later, he sees Moped bearing down on him again! The Ferrari is flat out, and there's nothing he can do. Suddenly, the Moped plows into the back of his Ferrari, demolishing the rear end. The doctor stops and jumps out and unbelievably the old man is still alive. He runs up to the mangled old man and says, "Oh my gosh! Is there anything I can do for you?". The old man whispers "Unhook my suspenders from your side view mirror!"

HUMOR-

You will chuckle as you read this Because as stupid as it may sound, this is exactly what we do!

GOD to ST. FRANCIS: Frank, You know all about gardens and nature. What in the world is going on down there on the planet? What happened to the dandelions, violets, milkweeds and stuff I started eons ago? I had a perfect no-maintenance garden plan. Those plants grow in any type of soil, withstand drought and multiply with abandon. The nectar from the long-lasting blossoms attracts butterflies, honey bees and flocks of songbirds. I expected to see a vast garden of colors by now. But, all I see are these green rectangles

St. FRANCIS: It's the tribes that settled there, Lord. The Suburbanites. They started calling your flowers 'weeds' and went to great lengths to kill them and replace them with grass.

GOD: Grass? But, it's so boring. It's not colorful. It doesn't attract butterflies, birds and bees; only grubs and sod worms. It's sensitive to temperatures. Do these Suburbanites really want all that grass growing there?

ST. FRANCIS: Apparently so, Lord. They go to great pains to grow it and keep it green. They begin each spring by fertilizing grass and poisoning any other plant that crops up in the lawn.

GOD: The spring rains and warm weather probably make grass grow really fast. That must make the Suburbanites happy

ST. FRANCIS: Apparently not, Lord. As soon as it grows a little, they cut itsometimes twice a week.

GOD: They cut it? Do they then bale it like hay?

ST. FRANCIS: Not exactly, Lord. Most of them rake it up and put it in bags. **GOD:** They bag it? Why? Is it a cash crop? Do they sell it?

ST. FRANCIS: No, Sir, just the opposite. They pay to throw it away

GOD: Now, let me get this straight. They fertilize grass so it will grow. And, when it does grow, they cut it off and pay to throw it away? ST. FRANCIS: Yes, Sir.

GOD: These Suburbanites must be relieved in the summer when we cut back on the rain and turn up the heat. That surely slows the growth and saves them a lot of work.

ST. FRANCIS: You aren't going to believe this, Lord. When the grass stops growing so fast, they drag out hoses and pay more money to water it, so they can continue to mow it and pay to get rid of it.

GOD: What nonsense. At least they kept some of the trees. That was a sheer stroke of genius, if I do say so myself. The trees grow leaves in the spring to provide beauty and shade in the summer. In the autumn, they fall to the

ground and form a natural blanket to keep moisture in the soil and protect the trees and bushes. It's a natural cycle of life.

ST. FRANCIS: You better sit down, Lord. The Suburbanites have drawn a new circle. As soon as the leaves fall, they rake them into great piles and pay to have them hauled away.

GOD: No!? What do they do to protect the shrub and tree roots in the winter to keep the soil moist and loose?

ST. FRANCIS: After throwing away the leaves, they go out and buy something which they call mulch. They haul it home and spread it around in place of the leaves.

GOD: And where do they get this mulch?

ST. FRANCIS: They cut down trees and grind them up to make the mulch.
GOD: Enough! I don't want to think about this anymore. St. Catherine, you're in charge of the arts. What movie have you scheduled for us tonight?
ST. CATHERINE: "Dumb and Dumber", Lord. It's a story about....
GOD: Never mind, I think I just heard the whole story from St. Francis

If you put a crouton on your sundae instead of a cherry, it counts as a salad.

The handle on your recliner does not qualify as an exercise machine.

My doctor told me to start my exercise program very gradually. Today I drove past a store that sells sweat pants.

The healthiest part of a donut is the hole. Unfortunately you have to eat through the rest of the donut to get there .

GOLF

Golf can be defined as an endless series of tragedies obscured by the occasional miracle, follows by a good bottle of beer.

You hit down to make the ball go up. You swing left and the ball goes right. The lowest score wins. On top of that, the winner buys the drinks !

Golf is harder than baseball. In golf, you have to play your foul balls

If you find you do not mind playing golf in the rain, the snow, even during a hurricane, here's a valuable tip: your life is in trouble.

Golfers who try to make everything perfect before taking the shot, rarely make a perfect shot.

The term "Mulligan" is really a contraction of the phrase "maul it again"

A "Gimme" can best be defined as an agreement between two golfers.... neither of whom can putt very well..

An interesting thing about golf is that no matter how badly you play, it is always possible to get worse.

WITH AGE COMES WISDOM

A guy is 75 years old and loves to fish. He was sitting in his boat the other day when he heard a voice say, "Pick me up". He looked around and couldn't see anyone. He thought he was dreaming when he heard the voice again, "Pick me up". He looked in the water and there, floating on the top, was a frog. The man said, "Are you talking to me?" The frog said "Yes, I'm talking to you. Pick me up. Then, kiss me and I'll turn into the most beautiful woman you have ever seen. I'll make sure that all your friends are envious and jealous because

you will have me as your bride". The man looked at the frog for a short time, reached over, picked it up carefully, and placed it in the front breast pocket. Then the frog said "What, are you nuts? Didn't you hear what I said? Kiss me and I will be your beautiful bride". He opened his pocket, looked at the frog and said "Nah, at my age I'd rather have a talking frog".

ZEN SARCASM

Do not walk behind me, for I may not lead. Do not walk ahead of me, for I may not follow. Do not walk beside me either. Just pretty much leave me the hell alone.

The journey of a thousand miles begins with a broken fan belt and leaky tire.

It's always darkest before dawn. So, if you're going to steal your neighbor's newspaper, that's the time to do it.

Always remember that you are unique. Just like everyone else Don't be irreplaceable. If you can't be replaced, you can't be promoted

Never test the depth of the water with both feet.

Before you criticize someone, you should walk a mile in their shoes. That way, when you criticize them, you're a mile away and have their shoes.

If at first you don't succeed, skydiving is not for you.

If you lend someone \$20 and never see that person again. It was probably worth it.

If you tell the truth, you don't have to remember anything.

Everyone seems normal until you get to know them.

The quickest way to double your money is to fold it in half and put it back in your pocket.

There are two theories in arguing with women. Neither one works.

Generally speaking, you aren't learning much when your lips are moving.

Chinook RV Club 12th Annual Meeting

Distant Drums RV Park 583 Middle Verde Rd. , Camp Verde, AZ October 15, 2015

I. Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by President David Shehane at 6:58 PM.

<u>II. Attendance/Quorum:</u> President Shehane declared that we could proceed with the business of the evening as there were enough members present to establish a quorum. As a side bar, he also announced that we now have enough rigs signed up for next year's annual rally in Canada.

III. Minutes:

The minutes from the General Meeting of August 30, 2014 at 7 Feathers RV Resort in Canyonville, OR had been published in the April, 2015 issue of the Chinook RV Club Road Runner Newsletter for all to read and copies are available if anyone would like to read them now. Al Enriquez requested a copy to read before he made the motion to accept the minutes as published. Margie Froess seconded it. Motion carried.

IV. Vice President of Membership Report:

Kelli Scheese, VP of membership did not attend the rally but President Shehane reported that we remain somewhere between 70 and 80 members strong. He also reminded everyone that annual dues were due effective October 1. Please remit your \$35.00 as soon as possible to the VP membership so that the directory/roster can be published on time. Please make the checks out to "Chinook RV Club".

V. Vice President of Rallies' Report:

Linda Blackburn reported on the upcoming rallies for 2015 and 2016. The hosts were asked to give a short report on the status of the rallies they were hosting.

Mary Esther Chavarela reported on Chula Vista, CA (mini) Dec.3 – 6, 2015
Vera Raudman reported on Pahrump, NV (mini) Mar. 31 – Apr. 3, 2016
C. Bob Shetland reported on Temecula, CA (mini) May 19 – 22, 2016
D. Garry Brown reported on both Victoria (mini) July 25 – 29, 2016
& Comox B.C. (annual) July 29 – Aug. 2, 2016

Marta Wall asked how many would be interested in a rally at the Balloon Festival in Albuquerque, NM, next year? The rally would take place from Sept.29 – Oct. 2, 2016. The show of hands indicated many are interested.

VI. Newsletter:

If there are any questions, suggestions, etc. for the newsletter, contact Mike Froess. The next one will be out in a few weeks.

VII. Historian:

If you have any photos you want to contribute, please note them with the who, what, when, where and send them to our historian Margie Froess..

VIII . Old/Unfinished Business:

None

IX. New Business:

Elections: At the beginning of the meeting Past President and Nominating Committee Chair, Marta Wall, explained that due to past difficulties of filling in or keeping occupied certain board positions, many of the board positions are now due for election at the same time and thereby not keeping with the intended rotation as written in the bylaws. So the board and nominating committee have approved this year's one time election terms of office as follows:

President – 3 year term begins 2015 ends 2018 VP Rallies – 1 year term begins 2015 ends 2016 VP Membership – 2 year term begins 2015 ends 2017 Treasurer – 3 year term begins 2015 ends 2018

Member At Large -2 year term begins 2015 ends 2017 Marta then proceeded to pass out ballots - one for each coach and all were asked to vote. She then collected all 21 ballots and assigned Secretary Mary Esther Chavarela to count the ballots and give the results at the end of the meeting.

Election Results: Secretary Chavarela announced that all candidates ran unopposed and there were no written-in nominations. By unanimous vote (21) the following candidates were elected for the above stated terms:

President – Bob Shetland, 21 votes VP Rallies – Linda Blackburn, 21 votes VP Membership – Dave Shehane, 21 votes Treasurer – Mary Coleman, 21 votes Member At Large – Barbara Jensen, 21 votes

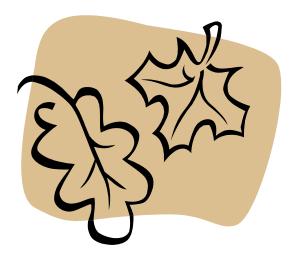
Marta thanked Vera Raudman and Mary Esther Chavarela for their help in the nominating committee.

Dave Shehane asked for volunteers to be in next year's nominating committee. Julianne Geleszinski volunteered.

XII. Adjournment: Barbara Jensen moved that the meeting adjourn and James Gelezsinski seconded it. Motion carried & meeting adjourned at 7:28PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mary Esther Chavarela Secretary



CHINOOK R V CLUB Membership Application

Membership year runs from October 1 to September 30. Dues are due by October annually. New directory issued annually.

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Name:	
Spouse/Other Name:	
Mailing Address:	
City, State & Zip:	
Home Telephone:	
Cell Phone:	
Other Phone:?	
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Chinook Coach Model:	
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* You will be issued an ID badge to be worn at rallies. What name or nickname would you like on it	it?
* Name on ID badge/s	
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