



PRESIDENT JIM

JIM'S TALES AND TRAILS

I just came down from the mountains to get my article to Editor Dave. I could have slacked off a little because the last email I received from Dave they are still on their way home from the Lobsterfest. They took the long way home via New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island and Canada. We would have loved to join them but our schedule did not permit. In my last article I was in VA trying to get the corn planted. When we got home from the Lobsterfest it was off to Va to get the fall food plots planted. The rallies have been hard on my venison supply so I need to fill the freezer up again. Archery starts on Oct 4th. I plan to spend the next two weeks up there.

Last time I talked about the National Rally, but those of you who missed the ME Lobsterfest again missed a great time, good fellowship and fabulous food. See article on the rally for details. I would like to remind everyone that you do not have to come for the full length of the rally. Come for the weekend or what ever length of time you can make. Be sure to check Frank's list of upcoming rallies. He has put a lot time, work and effort into this program and we sure would like to see more people taking advantage of the opportunity for fellowship, have a great time and make new friends. Lynn and I have made some very near and dear friends at rallies. We are still looking for people to volunteer as Wagon Masters. It is not a lot of work and it sure is a lot of fun as Lynn and I know. We now have a lot of motor homes owners as Sunrisers and we would like to see more of you at our rallies and stepping up to be Wagon Masters or write articles about your motor home experiences and share tips with other motor home owners. We need the participation of everyone if our club is to be successful and continue to grow.

If any of you are definitely going to the National Rally in Welches, Oregon next May 2004 please phone or email me of your plans. I need to come up with someone to represent the Sunrisers as Lynn and I will not be going. I have received a letter from the Sunseekers asking who will be our representative. Please let me hear from you ASAP so I can advise them.

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V P FRANK

From the Vice President & Outing Coordinator

Looks like we are going to finish out the year with over 13 rigs to the Lobster Fest, 5 each for Illinois and Pennsylvania. Only have 2 for Georgia – so sign up now.

Though 2004 schedule is near completion, I have started looking at 2005 and I need your ideas, and recommendations to plan Outings. See Sunrisers 2004 Outing questionnaire on page 9.

As mentioned in the July newsletter, we are thinking of making regional areas and having a coordinator for each of these areas. I would imagine that we would schedule 3 outings in each region for the year. On the approval of our officers, a Regional list will be published in the January newsletter. This is your club and to maintain the level and consistency of our past outings, *volunteers* are needed for the Wagon Master. I appreciate very much the two 1st timers who volunteered to be Wagon Masters in response to an email I sent. It really makes the Coordinators job easier when people step up and say, "I'll do it".

Happy Camping
Frank





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Report from Kathryn Garrett National Board of Directors Representative

The Semiannual National Board of Directors Meeting was held in Hemet, Ca on Oct. 2nd. Representatives from each of the Alfa Chapters attended the half day meeting.

Al and Arnell Booth from the Sun Seeker Chapter are the Wagon Masters for the 2004 Alfa National. They presented their plans for the National Outing to be held May 12 - 19, 2004 in Welches, Oregon (about 40 miles east of Portland). They have reserved 140 sites at the Mt Hood RV Village Resort. Seminars and activities are planned for the week.

The Columbia Gorge Tour is an all day trip that includes: buses that seat 30 people, tour guides in each bus, and lunch (in addition to beautiful scenery).

As always, Alfa Leisure will have a work crew at National to handle minor repairs that have been requested on the 'Wish List'. That form goes back to the factory so that the correct parts can be sent with the crew. Alfa has asked again that our members refrain from interrupting the crew as they work thru the repairs that have been requested. These interruptions greatly hinder the number of repairs the crew can complete.

Paulsbo RV in Vancouver, WA will be the Alfa Dealer at the 2004 National. They have offered to give Alfa Owners going to National priority appointments for any Warranty work scheduled with them the weeks before and after

National. Please give them as much notice as possible when scheduling your appointments.

In addition to the Outing activities for National, there are many things to do in the area (golf, nature trails, bicycling, fishing, whitewater rafting, craft shops, factory stores, Mount St. Helens, the Oregon wine country, the end of the Oregon Trail, and on and on -- so plan to come early and to stay after so you can see it all. The Registration Forms for National 2004 are enclosed with this newsletter. The Pacific Northwest is beautiful country and they have a great Outing planned.

The Roadrunner Wagon Masters for the 2005 Alfa National are Garth and Jackie Thomas. They reported on their progress for the National to be held in Salt Lake City, Utah in May 2005. The RV park for this Outing has been reserved and the preliminary planning is progressing nicely.

Jim and Johan Waidelich from the Alfa One Chapter reported that the RV park for the 2006 National has been chosen. That National will be held in Hemet, California (in the same RV park we were in for the Board Meeting) in April or May 2006.

After handling a few minor revisions to the National Bylaws the meeting was adjourned. Our next Board Meeting will be held the day before National 2004.

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Jim's Tales and Trails

We would like to have a rolling rally next September 2004 starting in Florida and traveling all the way up the Eastern US ending in Maine or Nova Scotia. Dave and Tish have agreed to be CO-Wagon Master with Lynn and I. We need to know ASAP how many of you would be interested in all or part of such a trip. The whole rally will be somewhere between 3 and 4 weeks with a Lobsterfest in Me again. Please let us hear from you ASAP so that we can firm up the campground locations, activities etc. If you have any suggestions, locations,

campgrounds, or activities that you would like to be included let us hear from you. We really need to firm this up around the first of the year (2004).

Again, thanks to everyone who has pitched in and helped where ever needed to make this Sunriser Chapter such an outstanding success and growth in membership. It is your chapter and can only grow with your help and participation.

**HAPPY TRAILS AND
HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO EVERYONE.**

Jim Liddick

OUTING SCHEDULE

For more info visit the
SUNRISER web page at:
www.alfaleisure.com
or contact the
Outing Coordinator

November 6-12, 2003
Lake Park, Georgia

January 10, 2004
Florida Pot Luck Lunch & Visiting
Pine Island, Florida

February 17, 2004
Florida Pot Luck Lunch & Visiting
Sebring, Florida

March 18-23, 2004
Natchez Pilgrimage
Natchez, Mississippi

April 29 - May 3, 2004
Amana Colonies, Iowa

May 4-8, 2004
Tulip Festival
Zeeland, Michigan

May 12-18, 2004
Alfa National 2004
Welches, Oregon

June, 2004
Ohio

July, 2004
Wisconsin

August, 2004
Brown County, Indiana

September 2004
Rolling Rally to Lobster Fest in
Maine

September, 2004
Lobster Fest in Maine

October, 2004
Ashville, North Carolina

November, 2004
Top Sail Hill State Preserve
Santa Rosa Beach, Florida

2005

Yes ... Start planning.
See article at right



Gary & Elaine Wulff '03 32' Alfa Sun
July 2003 St. Augustine Beach, Florida

In each Gazette I would like to feature one (or 2 or 3) of our member's rigs. Please send me a photo of your rig. Email, snail mail, or whatever, and include name, rig desc, location, and date of photo.

Dave / Editor

Sunrisers 2005 Outings

2005 ????

Yes, that seems like a long way away, but if you are like me, time is flying by, and 2005 is just a little over a year away.

To plan the outings, and find a Wagonmaster takes time. Also we want to give you as much of a heads up as possible to plan future trips. And most important, it gives you time to have your input into the scheduling, and plan an outing that you can attend.

The general PLAN for 2005 is to get more into the upper mid-west, and also other locations in NY, NH, PA, VA, and KY. But this is not limited. If you have a good spot, call Frank.

As one or two people cannot do all the planning, a WAGONMASTER for each outing is essential. Looking at the 2004 schedule, Frank has done a great job in the overall planning, but a Wagonmaster is needed for each outing. Step up. We need help.....

To be a Wagonmaster, think of calling your favorite RV Park and planning for you and a few friends to spend a few days. That's about it. Easy, fun, and you get to relax and meet old and new friends. Look over the 2004 schedule and see where you can help and have fun too. "Local knowledge" really helps. It's like The Home Depot slogan: "You can do it. We can help."

And the location & date are not firmly

Illinois Rally September 2003

From: Kris & Jim Huber, Wagonmasters

Five Sunriser families (3 fifth wheels and 2 SYAs) met at Whispering Pines Campground in Marseilles, Illinois September 25 to 30, 2003. Although the weather was cool and we had heavy rain on Friday, we enjoyed renewing and making new friends. Trips to local attractions and dinner at Hank's restaurant in Ottawa, Illinois Starved Rock Lodge and Rockwells were greatly enjoyed (It was too cold to be outside!!!!).

The ladies enjoyed making crafts and the men shared ideas for making their units more liveable.

Four of the five families were from nearby locations in Illinois (less than 2 hours driving time) and one family came from 55 miles North of Green Bay (almost 8 hours traveling time).

Attending: Judy and Jim Brooks from Suring, WI
Kay and Charles Keskimaki from Naperville, IL
Carrol and Steve Lakotich from Joliet, IL
Sharon and Jerry Wood from Joliet, IL
Kris and Jim Huber from Washington, IL



WELCOME WELCOME WELCOME

On behalf of the Alfa SUNRISERS I would like to welcome the newest members to The Alfa SUN-DANCERS, and especially to welcome you to our chapter, The Alfa SUNRISERS. Forgive me if your name/address is not perfect, but after going through several hands, mistakes do crop up. I see some 4 digit zips, probably caused by my dumb computer that thought it is a number and dropped the leading "0".

At any rate, please take a moment to send me an email to correct any errors, but most important, tell me why you bought your Alfa, where you bought your Alfa, your plans for travels in your Alfa, and even more important: how our chapter can help you in your travels, and maybe arrange to get together at an outing in the near future.

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ALFA SUNRISER ROSTER By Editor – Dave

Included with this newsletter is a roster of all Sunriser members. PLEASE check your entry carefully to make sure all is correct. As many of us are on the move, and changing things on occasion, it is important to keep the records correct.

If there are any errors, or anything you would like updated, please email or write myself or Nancy.

Also please remember this list is for the private use of **MEMBERS ONLY.**

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Pictures -- All the pictures in this, and other newsletters, are available.. Send an email to the Editor and the picture(s) will be returned A SA P.

Lobster Fest

By: Jim & Lynn Liddick, Wagonmasters

The Rolling Rally to the Maine Lobster Fest began on 9-5-03. Parsons from FL picked up the Liddicks in NC. What a surprise to find the Yeaters driving along behind us on 81 in VA. First night out we had 3 rigs in WV. This is a practice run for the formal Rolling Rally in Sept 04. We stopped in Harrisburg PA, as Mom Liddick had Chicken Corn Soup for the 6 of us, plus birthday cake for Jim. We had stops along the Delaware River on the NY border, took a scenic route through Boston bypass looking for fuel. We had 2 nights in Mystic Seaport, which is beautiful. Then shopping in Freeport Maine.

When we arrived in Trenton there were 2 units waiting for us, the Franks and Pietrantonios.

By the 11th, there were 13 units and what fun we had. We had 2 SOB's the Browns and Chuck & Vera Liddick. The surprise of the week, was a smuggled Mom Liddick (85) in the back seat. They were late because of a flat tire, hence our first fine. What fun Mom had and everyone enjoyed her.

Happy hours were fun, one evening Fred was delivered on a golf cart, he was pulling rank or looked tired. Coffee & donuts were

an everyday affair, some people thought at the crack of dawn, but it was 8:30. There were many trips to Acadia National Park and other areas. Sat 14 of us went Whale Watching, Mom L had been twice before but she said this was the best. It was to be a 3 hr trip, but they kept us out 4 hrs. Nile really put on a show.

We made it back just in time for our Lobster Fest in the Rec room. Jim picked up 27 lobster, just out of the pots, then corn on the cob, coleslaw and Maine Blueberry pie with lots of ice cream. Eating a whole lobster was a new experience for many of us, but our placemats told us what to do. It was the nicest evening, good fellowship and fun.

Once we gathered enough extension cords, the Liddick brothers cooked Sun breakfast, venison tenderloins and 3 kinds of scrapple with syrup. It was a treat for us many tried something new. Chuck & Vera made chile for Sun evening. We sure eat good at our Rallies. We were joined by Alfa owners, Mr & Mrs Good, they now have a beautiful SOB, which they let us tour. The Franks hosted a campfire every evening, others brought in wood also. It looked like we would have to stay 2 wks.

Sheriff Lloyd & Deputy Betty Corley arrived in black with vests, guns and

badges. They were so official and collected \$24 in fines. We had so many laughs. We opted for light snacks, but guess what, it was wonderful again. In the cooler weather, everything tastes so good.

Notes of interest: 1. Jim says he hates toll roads, but gets through for less than half the cost that they Yeaters & Parsons pay. 2. Sherri & Tish had to cut and serve Blueberry pie without the supervision of Holly Ayers, National Rally Kitchen Staff Leader. 3. Dave & Pat Pietrantonio were at their first Rally, but left early Sun AM before the Sheriff had time to collect their fines. They were told to leave a blank check. 4. Jerry & Joanne Klomparens left immediately after being fined. 5. Blueberry pies were smuggled into freezers, now how many did Joe get? I wish there was room to mention everyone, each one made special contribution to the outing.

Those attending were Art & Janet Brown, Lloyd & Betty Corley, Stacey & Gail Frank, Joe Dugan & Judy Giamona, Lester & Lois Grissom, Ray & Sandra Hincer, Jerry & Joanne Klomparens, Chuck, Vera & "Mom" Anna Liddick, Jim & Lynn Liddick, Gary & Margie Snoderly, Dave & Tish Parsons, Dave & Pat Pietrantonio and Fred & Sheri Yeater.



WWW.Notes

By Dave Parsons

By now everyone knows our (Alfa sponsored) web site is:

www.alfaleisure.com, and that the Sunrisers web page is: www.sunrisers@irv2.com.

Then 2 great forum type sites for asking questions about your Alfa are:

www.groups.yahoo.com/groups/alfa5vers and www.groups.yahoo.com/groups/alfaseeya

Here are a few more you might want to spend some time to browse through. Of course each one will provide links to many more web sites. So as you are browsing, if anything peaks your interest, write the address down, or you may never find it again.

www.rversonline.org

www.rvzone.com

www.rv.org

www.camping.about.com

www.newrver.com/index.htm

www.gorving.com

www.gocampingamerica.com

www.RoadNotes.com

www.rvusa

www.rvamerica.com

www.flyingj.com

www.loves.com

www.tatravelcenters.com

www.petrotruckstops.com



HEARD AROUND THE CAMPGROUND

Received from Dennis & JoAnn Frink

We are having a great time in AK, as does everyone. Have actually had great weather until the past two days...pretty foggy and misty here. But the bizillion pink salmon swarming in the bay just don't seem to mind. Will leave here either tomorrow or Tues. for Skagway. Hope you are enjoying your summer. We would love to join you and Liddicks for lobster in Maine but it just won't work for us. We will definitely make it in 2004. So..eat a lobster or three for us!! Have fun! D&J

Received from Dick & Bev Stern

Hi -We are still at Yellowstone until Friday morning. We hate that we missed Great Falls, but will hit it next time. Sometimes our member-ship parks aren't in the right places. The one we had at some MineralSprings didn't work out anyhow and we ended up at Helena at a regular price place. We have a nice one here that is Passport America. We stayed at it last year too.

It sounds like your Maine trip is coming along great! Please find out if they have anything other than seafood, in case we do the Rolling Rally next year.

Dick is out fly fishing in the Gibbon River, so I am in the truck answering emails. The kids had given him fishing stuff for Christmas - his request so now he has to fish a little. He hasn't had any luck so far.

From Roger & Nancy Dyke

Sometimes its hard to share bad news with friends, but I guess that's what friends are for, to share each others burdens. Nancy had her annual check up last Thursday, July 31 and the doctor found a lump in her breast. She then had a mammogram and a ultrasound on Friday and a biopsy on Tuesday. The results of the biopsy came back today and it proved to be malignant. She is scheduled for surgery on Tuesday the 12th to remove the lump and then 6 weeks of radiation.

Please keep us in your prayers.

Nancy & Rog

10/8 Update: From Tish Parsons

Good news from Nancy & Roger. Her last cat and bone scan are normal, so they feel the cancer has not spread.

Please keep the Dykes in your prayers.



Sunriser Ford Museum – Greenfield Outing

By Roger & Nancy Dyke

On July 17, 2003 we had our outing at the KOA in Ypsilanti, Michigan. Our wagon Masters were Don Gilleran and Clara Bondie.



Attending the outing were Don Gilleran & Clara Bondie, Roger & Nancy Dyke, James & Joan Niedzielski, Walt Ottey & Jan Katz, and Jerry & Sharon Wood.

On Thursday, one by one, we all arrived. Don & Clara had a nice meal for us, and later we gathered by the campfire. Friday we had delicious donuts and coffee, then off to the Art Fair in Ann Harbor. If you are looking for something special, this is the place to go. At night Don was in charge of the campfire, and he sure can heat things up.



Saturday we went to Greenfield Village and saw Ford Model T's, the Wright Cycle Shop, Thomas Edison's laboratory, and much more. We all had a great day.

Sunday was a free day. Some went to Cabela's Sport Store while others stayed and relaxed. At night we had a delicious potluck, and later that night the Sheriff showed up and fines were paid by all.

We had a great time, and hope we see each other again at the next outing.

TRAILER vs. TRUCK TIRES

From Jim Liddick, author unknown

For the last 17 years, I have owned and pulled fifth-wheel trailers with two or three axles. I have never had any trouble, but the last for months my luck seems to have run out. I now own a 36-foot fifth-wheel with three axles and truck tires, all of which are in very good shape. In fact, that was one of the points that helped in making my decision to purchase the trailer. I had put these very tires on my pickup truck and was very happy with them. As time went on, two of these tires began to delaminate and caused some damage. Later, two went out at the same time and caused great damage. The other two made it fine, but by now I wasn't taking any chances. I ended up buying six new tires.

Then I learned that truck tires "LT" and trailer tires "ST" are completely different, and on multi-axle trailers it is important to have the proper tires. It seems the difference is that truck tires are designed with rubber formulated to grip the road for traction, whereas a trailer tire is designed and the rubber formulated to slide on the road surface. When one notes the difference it is very obvious the tread is different.

I was told that when truck tires are used and the driver makes severe turns, the tread hangs tight to the surface and tends to tear away from the steel plies under the tread blanket. I have noticed that with the new ST tires, I hardly make a mark on the surface when I am turning to park.

I had never heard of these things before, but I am finding out there are many other people who do not know either.

I thought that sharing my experience might help someone else buy the proper tire for their trailer.

Light-truck (LT) tires are designed to provide superior traction for the drive wheels and have cornering coefficients that make sure the vehicle steers in the direction the driver wants it to go. Trailer tires (ST) must meet higher load capacities with low heat generation. The tread pattern is also designed so that the tires "STICK" less to the pavement when turning sharply. The latter concern is more important for multiple axle trailers. The inherent design of fifth-wheels allowing extremely sharp turning is very hard on the tires. It is possible when turning very sharply to "peel" the tire off the rim.

SUMMARY BY YOUR EDITOR:

- 1) When buying new tires, put "LT" tires on your (light) truck, and "ST" tires on your (special) trailer.
- 2) Keep tire pressure at or very near the max pressure as stamped on the sidewall. Check pressure weekly when traveling. I never start the truck engine until a complete walk-around, visually checking all 12 tires has been completed.
- 3) When in storage, or parked for a few days, protect the tires from sunlight (UV rays).
- 4) Annually, or anytime a tire is off the trailer, have it balanced. Combine this with your annual wheel bearing PM.
- 5) If your tires are 5 years old or more, add to your next annual budget "new tires".

Note: Tire manufacture date is easy to find by reading the "DOT" code on the sidewall. It is only on one side, so may be on the inside. Read the last 3 or 4 digits. It represents the week (first 2 digits) and last digit of the year, if in the 1990's, or last 2 digits if after 1/1/2000.



A FLAT TIRE

Yes, that shiny stuff is the steel belt. The rubber tread is gone. We were on the last day of the trip, with only 4 hours to home. Leaving the campground at 9AM, I had visually checked all tires carefully. The pressure had been checked 2 days earlier, and all was well, so I had no reason to suspect trouble.

90 minutes later we stopped at a rest stop, and before leaving, found this on the back left corner. Don't know the reason, but suspect a previous nail hole repair started leaking, and the tire self destructed. Fortunately there was no other damage.

Looks like a new set of tires have gone much higher on the priority list. These are only 4 years old, with good tread, but showing telltale cracks in the sidewalls.

Dave Parsons

A Little Science

From: Jim Liddick (Author unknown)

About five days ago, my 26-year-old son decided to have a cup of instant coffee. He took a cup of water and put it in the microwave to heat it up (something that he had done numerous times before). I am not sure how long he set the timer for but he told me he wanted to bring the water to a boil.

When the timer shut the oven off, he removed the cup from the oven. As he

looked into the cup he noted that the water was not boiling. Then instantly the water in the cup "blew up" into his face. The cup remained intact until he threw it out of his hand but all the water had flown out into his face due to the buildup of energy. His whole face is blistered and he has 1st and 2nd degree burns to his face, which may leave scarring. He may also have lost partial sight in his left eye.

While we were at the hospital, the doctor who was attending to him stated that this is a fairly common occurrence and water (alone) should never be heated in a

microwave oven. If water is heated in this manner, something such as a wooden stir stick or a tea bag should be placed in the cup to diffuse the energy.

Here is what a science professor has to say on the matter: "Thanks for the microwave warning. I have seen this happen before. It is caused by a phenomenon known as super heating. It can occur any time water is heated and will particularly occur if the vessel that the water is heated in is new.

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JULY OUTING

The July Rally was scheduled for July 10-15, 2003 at The Old Mill Camp-ground in Lancaster, PA.

While there was much to see and do

the rally was cancelled due to lack of miss a trip to Paradise - Paradise PA enrollments. Participants missed the that is via a ride on a steam trade. opportunity to visit Chocolate World and Nearby visits to Bird-In-Hand, Inter-Hershey Park at Hershey, PA, a visit to course, Blue Ball and other colorful and Gettysburg was one hour away and a interesting locations are there to enjoy. tour of Harley Davidson in nearby York Maybe 2004?

was in the plan. And who would want to

Jim Huber

Wagon Master

A Little Science

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What happens is that the water heats faster than the vapor bubbles can form. If the cup is very new then it is unlikely to have small surface scratches inside it that provide a place for the bubbles to form. As the bubbles cannot form and release some of the heat that has built up, the liquid does not boil, and the liquid continues to heat up well past its boiling point. Then, what usually happens is that the liquid is bumped or jarred, which is just enough of a shock to cause the bubbles to rapidly form and expel the hot liquid. The rapid formation of bubbles is also why a carbonated beverage spews when opened after having been shaken."

Please pass this on to everyone you know. It could save a lot of pain and suffering.

Comments from your Editor:

This is so true, and I have seen it happen many times. Being an old retired steam/marine engineer, I could bore you with another technical description of what causes this, but the "superheated water below the surface" is close enough.

And it can only remain in this condition if everything is perfectly calm. At the first disturbance, the superheated water raises to the surface and flashes into steam, causing the problem.

I **ALWAYS** remove the cup (of coffee, water, or whatever) from the microwave and set it on the counter, then place a metal spoon in the cup. If there is a problem, it will be a mess on your counter, not in your face.

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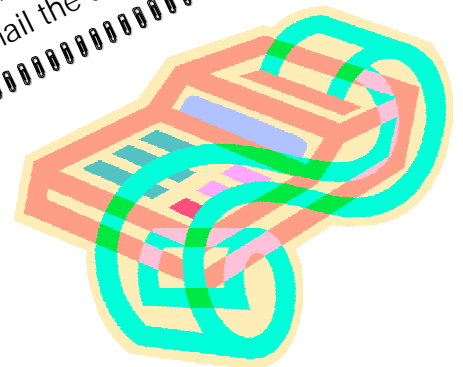
SUNRISERS DUES FORM:

Attention Sunrisers: Annual dues are due in April of each year. If you have not yet paid for year 2003, please use the form at left, and mail \$15 to Nancy Dyke. If you have paid, thank you.



REMINDER:

If there are any changes (or errors) in your address, phone number, email, cell ph., or whatever, please use this form and mail the corrections to Nancy.



Sunrisers 2004 Outings

The Sunriser Outings for 2004 are listed below. This *is your club*. To help plan a location or event, I need your input. What is your favorite place? Where would you like to have an Outing? Please complete the questionnaire below and be sure to write in a destination. *Based on the proposed list below, please indicate your desire to attend, and sign up as Wagon Master for one or more of the Outings.*

Please return this form to: Frank Ayers 214 Cardinal Ridge Rd. Thomasville, GA 31792-8842

<u>Will Attend</u>	<u>May Attend</u>	<u>Wagon Master</u>	<u>Outing</u>
_____	_____	_____	Picnic on Pine Island, Florida January 10, 2004
_____	_____	_____	Picnic @ Sunny Pines – Sebring, FL February 17, 2004
_____	_____	_____	Natchez Pilgrimage – Natchez, MS March 18-23, 2004
_____	_____	_____	Amana Colonies, Iowa April 29 – May 3, 2004
_____	_____	_____	Tulip Festival Zeeland, MI May 4–8, 2004
_____	_____	_____	Alfa National Welches, OR May 12-18, 2004
_____	_____	_____	June - Ohio – Location and dates not set at this time.
_____	_____	_____	July - Wisconsin – Milton, WI Date not set yet
_____	_____	_____	August – Brown County, IN Location and dates not set
_____	_____	_____	September – Rolling Rally to Lobster Fest Start after Labor Day
_____	_____	_____	September - Maine Lobster Fest Location and dates not set
_____	_____	_____	October – Cherokee, NC Date not set
_____	_____	_____	November – Top Sail Hill State Preserve, Santa Rosa Beach, FL Date not set

Location where you would like to see an Outing: _____

Name: _____ Alfa Club/Chapter Affiliation: _____

Address: _____

5th Wheel ___ Motorhome ___ Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____

Sunrisers Chapter Outing
February Luncheon
In
Sebring, FL

Date: February 17, 2004 11 A. M.

Place: Sunny Pines Telephone: 941-385-4144
1200 U.S. Hwy 27 N
Sebring, FL 33870

Wagon Master: Norm & Nancy Coady Telephone: 863-449-0078

What to Bring: Dish to pass and your lawn chair[s]

Directions: North on U.S. 27 from Junction of SR 17 2.5 miles.

Deadline: February 1, 2004 If you decide to attend after the deadline date,
call Nancy & Norm.

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Sunrisers Chapter Outing
February Luncheon
In
Sebring, FL

REGISTRATION FORM

Name _____ Phone (____) _____

Address _____ Email: _____

_____ First Outing? Yes _____ No _____

Mail Registration Form to: **Norm & Nancy Coady, P.O. Box 2428 PMB 8574, Pensacola, FL 32513**

SIGNATURES REQUIRED FROM ALL PERSONS ATTENDING THE RALLY

We agree that we shall not hold alfa Leisure, Inc., the alfa Owners club, nor any officer, employee or agent of either, responsible for any personal injury of any kind which we or any member of our family may suffer during the campout. This agreement applies regardless of the cause of the injury and includes, without limiting it, whether said injury is caused by a condition of the premises, another club member, or any other person. [We make this agreement in consideration of the expenses, which alfa Leisure, Inc., and the alfa Owners Club incur by holding the campout for our benefit, and recognize that in signing this paper we may be waiving a legal right to recover damages.

Signature & Date _____ Signature & Date _____

Sunrisers Chapter Outing Natchez Spring Pilgrimage

**Oldest permanent settlement on the Mississippi. Great stop for lovers of history
and traditions of the Old South.**

Date: March 18 - 23, 2004

Place: River View Park & Resort
100 River View Parkway
Vidalia, LA 71373-4404

Telephone: 318-336-1400
Toll free: 866-336-1402
Web page: www.riverviewrvpark.com

Wagon Master: David & Tish Parsons Ph: 239-282-1267 Email: DavidTish@aol.com

Cost: \$22.50 Water/Sewer/Electric Full Hookup 30 and 50 Amp on each site

Directions: River View Park is immediately across the Mississippi River from Natchez, Mississippi, in Vidalia, Louisiana. It is located on the riverbank, about 1/2 mile south of the bridge. For more info, see the above web page, or contact the Wagon-master.

Deadline: February 18, 2004

If your REGISTRATION is mailed close to the due date, please notify the Wagon Master so you are included in the final count given to the RV Park

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SUNRISERS NATCHEZ PILGRIMAGE

March 18 - 23, 2004
REGISTRATION FORM

Name _____ Phone [] _____

Address _____ Email address _____

_____ First Outing Yes _____ No _____

Trailer _____ 5th Wheel _____ Motorhome _____ Length _____ 30 AMP _____ 50 AMP _____

Deposits & Registration:

Check [dated 2/18/2004] to David & Tish Parsons for \$15.00 [Wagon Master fee]

Check [dated 2/18/2004] to River View Park \$22.50

Please attach your check[s] for the TOTAL[s] due with the completed signed copy of the registration form.

Mail Registration Form and both checks to: **Frank Ayers 214 Cardinal Ridge Rd. Thomasville, GA 31792-8842**

SIGNATURES REQUIRED FROM ALL PERSONS ATTENDING THE RALLY

We agree that we shall not hold *alfa* Leisure, Inc., the *alfa* Owners club, nor any officer, employee or agent of either, responsible for any personal injury of any kind which we or any member of our family may suffer during the campout. This agreement applies regardless of the cause of the injury and includes, without limiting it, whether said injury is caused by a condition of the premises, another club member, or any other person. [We make this agreement in consideration of the expenses, which *alfa* Leisure, Inc., and the *alfa* Owners Club incur by holding the campout for our benefit, and recognize that in signing this paper we may be waiving a legal right to recover damages.

Signature & Date _____

Signature & Date _____

