

**PRESIDENT
FRANK AYERS**

**VICE PRESIDENT
JIM BREECE**

Greetings Sunrisers,

Holly and I would like to welcome all new members since the last issue of the Gazette. We hope you will be able to join us at future rallies.

Our thanks to Robert and Jerry Patterson for a great rally at the Old Federal C.O.E. park near Flowery Branch, Georgia in June. We had a great turn out, weather and of course food. It is always great meeting new members and visiting old friends.

Our officers held a business meeting to discuss dues, by-laws and outings.

The by-laws were revised and are included in this printing.

For those who purchase a new Alfa RV, your first year's dues are paid by Alfa once you fill the card out and send to Alfa. After the end of your first year and you wish to continue in the Sunrisers and receive the quarterly Gazette, dues are payable by April 30th each year to the club treasurer. If dues are not received within 60 days from April 30th your membership will be dropped. We hope you continue to support the Sunrisers and one of the benefits is a great newsletter.

John and Carroll Croes have a great rally planned for Pigeon Forge, TN and Holly and I are working on the November rally. For Sugar Mill @ Thomasville we still have space available, so send in your registrations to Frank Ayers, 15125 US 19 South, PMB 346 Thomasville, GA 31792.

I am sure all of us on the road are paying a great deal of attention on fuel prices. On a recent fuel stop in Indiana, I found notices posted on some auto diesel pumps that x amount of state fuel tax are applied. On the truck islands; the notice says if vehicle has a DOT number the state fuel tax is suspended. Interesting to say the least.

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As we write this, we are in Quebec City, on our way to Prince Edward Island. We started out June 1 and will return to Florida around the end of August.

As Vice-President of the Sunrisers, it is my duty to schedule our outings for 2007. So far, we have the following outings and/or Wagon Masters tentatively scheduled:

January—Lake Placid Area—Wagon Masters Ron & Carol Davis

February—Luncheon, Sebring, FL—Wagon Masters Norm & Nancy Coady

March—Somewhere in Southeast Area—Wagon Masters—Howard & Genie Stein

April—National Alfa Rally

May—Wagon Masters Don & Cile Dockery (Place to be announced),

October—North Georgia—Wagon Masters—Robert & Margie Albertson

November—South Georgia—Wagon Masters—Frank & Holly Ayers

As you can see, we could use someone to volunteer to Wagon Master an outing in June. If you are interested, please let me know. Just keep in mind that you need to find a place where between 10 and 20 rigs can park and everyone will help you with the rest. We all seem to find our own way around once we are all together.

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President Frank

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Holly needs recipes for the Recipe Corner of the Gazette. Please forward your favorite to be included in future editions. Email to fhayers@yahoo.com

I still do not have a resolve on the Alfa Clubs web site. The new web contractor is still working on the site. The Sunriser information will be updated as soon as I'm notified that updates can be made.

Be safe and enjoy a great summer wherever your travels may take you.

Frank & Holly

For rally/outing information see the registration forms in the Gazette.

Have a great Summer and see you at future outings.

Frank Ayers, President

REMINDER: APRIL IS THE MONTH WE COLLECT CLUB DUES OF \$20.00. PLEASE MAKE YOUR CHECK OUT TO: LLOYD CORLEY WITH MEMO OF DUES. Lloyd's address is located in this newsletter. Thank you for continuing your support of the Sunrisers.

VICE PRESIDENT JIM

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We look forward to the outing in October in Pigeon Forge, TN, which has had wonderful response and the November outing in South Georgia with Frank and Holly Ayers. By the way, the outing at Old Federal Park in Georgia, hosted by Robert and Jerry Patterson was great. Thank you. See ya' down the road.

Jim Breece

OUTINGS FOR THE REMAINDER OF 2006

October 3-8, Waldens Creek Campground, Pigeon Forge, TN

Wagon Masters: John & Sue Croes

November 2-6, Sugar Mill RV Park, Thomasville, Ga.
(Ochlocknee, Ga.)

Wagon Masters: Frank & Holly Ayers

Applications on the back of your newsletter.

**SUNRISERS
OUTING SCHEDULE**

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

2006

January 28th --- Florida Lunch
Davenport, Fl. Wagon Masters
Jim & Gwen Breece.

February 21st --- Florida Lunch
Sebring, Fl. Wagon Masters
Norm and Nancy Coady.

March 18th --- Florida Lunch
Ft. Myers, Fl. Wagon Masters
Moores, Richardsons & Lipperts

April 19--26, 2006
Alfa National Rally
Palm Desert, California
Emerald Desert RV Park
Sunriser Wagon Masters:
Ron & Carol Davis

June 5--8, Old Federal COE Park,
Flowery Branch, Ga.
Wagon Masters: Robert & Jerry
Patterson. **

October 3-8, Waldens Creek
Campground, Pigeon Forge, TN.
Wagon Masters: John & Sue
Croes. **

November 2--6, Sugar Mill RV
Park, Thomasville, Ga
Wagon Masters: Frank & Holly
Ayers. **

** Registration form and
complete information included
with this newsletter.

NEWSLETTER ARTICLES/EDITOR'S CORNER

All members are encouraged to submit any articles to the Editor for publishing in the Sunrisers Gazette. Pictures are also appreciated.

Please remember that your Editor will publish most anything you send in, but she has no way of being your author.

Please submit all articles via email. (So she can "cut and paste".)

The e-mail address is: msa1027@bellsouth.net

We would like to thank Robert & Jerry Patterson for a very well planned outing which they hosted at Old Federal COE Park, Flowery Branch, Ga. They did an excellent job and made everyone feel welcome. Below is a picture of the group that attended. If you don't see your smiling face in this picture, just remember that you were missed and we all hope to see you at the next one.

Robert & Margie Albertson



**DON'T FORGET TO SEND
YOUR EDITOR PICTURES
FOR OUR NEWSLETTER.
OR ELSE ALL YOU MAY
SEE WILL BE US!!!!!!!!!!**



**OLD FEDERAL COE PARK, FLOWERY
BRANCH, GEORGIA ATTENDEES**

Remember, above dates are flexible. If you can only make the beginning, the ending, or the weekend, please come. Or come early and/or stay late.

MINUTES OF ALFA SUNRISERS OFFICERS MEETING 6/6/2006

The meeting was held at the chapter outing at Old Federal Corp of Engineers campground in Flowery Branch, Ga. In attendance were President Frank Ayers, Vice-president and Outing Coordinator Jim Breece, Newsletter editor Margie Albertson and Secretary/treasurer Lloyd Corley.

Frank congratulated Margie on the great job she had done in publishing the April Sunriser Gazette. It was her first edition and she did an outstanding job. We will again start putting names and "hometown" of new chapter members in the Gazette. Because of privacy concerns, we will no longer include address and telephone numbers.

We reviewed chapter by-law changes submitted by chapter members. The changes were primarily clarification of existing statements and providing more latitude to outing wagon masters to allow outing attendees to handle their own campground reservations. The revised by-laws were approved by the officers and will be in the July edition of the Gazette.

Jim discussed the tentative schedule for 2007 outings. He plans to solicit more folks as wagon masters while we are here at Flowery Branch. Frank reported that Alfa has a new contractor to maintain their website and he has not been able to update our chapter page. Once the website is accessible, he will update the club listings and add the 2007 outing schedules as they are firmed up.

The treasurer reported that Jim Sells and Jim Breece had conducted an audit of the chapter financial balance sheet and bank statements for the time period of September 2004 (when the Sunchasers chapter was formed and split from the Sunrisers) thru June 1, 2006. The treasurer also reported that we have a balance of \$3952.95 as of 6/01/2006 with no debts. He also reported we have 95 paid up members for 2006. It was agreed that we would mail July newsletters to all members on the current roster and drop those who have not paid their dues at the end of August.

Respectfully submitted,

Lloyd Corley

Alfa Sunrisers

Secretary/treasurer

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

All members are reminded that for all change of addresses, they should notify (email) the club Secretary and newsletter Editor.

As we have no reliable way of handling temporary seasonal changes, please make sure you notify us when going south for the winter, and home for the summer, or whatever your moves are.

SEE THE CLUB BULLETIN BOARD PAGE FOR MORE INFORMATION

NATIONAL RALLY NEWS

FROM RON & CAROL DAVIS

Greetings Sunrisers,

Well another National Rally has come to an end and we have bid farewell to many old and new friends. This year we had a total of 7 rigs attend from the *alfa* Sunrisers, all of them SeeYa motor homes. Those attending were: Richard & June Best from SC, Mike & Carol Callahan from FL, Bill Devereaux & Bryan Drum from FL, Ted & Doreen Hixon from GA & FL, Jim & Shirlee Moomou from NC, Ken & Helen Terry from FL, and of course Ron & I your National Board Members who are also from FL. All attendees except ourselves and the Hixons were first timers. The Sunchasers, our sister club, only had two rigs there so we had them join our group for all events and social hours. Another member, Larry & Sandy LaBossier were here with the Roadrunner chapter, but joined in on several of our social hours and our Sunday night cookout. The host club, *alfa* One did an outstanding job planning this years event. We had two wonderful catered dinners, one the Rally Welcome Dinner and the Dealer Awards Dinner the final evening. They also scheduled a Saturday Buffet Breakfast complete with a hilarious fashion show put on by the club members.

Saturday evening we had a Wine & Cheese Tasting w/heavy Hors d'Oeuvres provided by each table. This event was followed by Card Bingo which was quite memorable by all us Sunrisers who attended (that's a bit of an inside joke for those of us that played).

On Sunday we had a real treat. About 200 of the attendees went to the Palm Springs Follies, an old-time vaudeville show performed by senior singers, dancers, comedians and even an dog act. All of the performers introduced themselves and not one was under 60 and one of the dancers was 82. What an inspiration they were. The MC introduced our group, we took up about half of the theatre. When he found out we were an RV group he said it was the largest group of trailer trash they had seen. Then he asked our rally master Jim Waidelich "What's the difference between a trailer and an RV?" Jim's answer, "About \$150,000." The MC didn't have a comeback for that, it was hilarious.

Monday brought the golf outing, we had three of our guys in the tournament. Johnny Crean, the owner of *alfa* arrived Sunday evening and played in the tournament. Only Mike Callahan's team placed in the top three teams. We had an Ice Cream Social that evening followed by the Bakers another old vaudeville act. (I think there are more senior citizens in Palm Springs than in FL.)

Tuesday the final day there was a pet parade, the Hixon's Molly was adorable as Minnie Mouse. That evening we had our farewell dinner where the golf and bowling awards were given out. Johnny Crean joined us and told the group about the property *alfa* has purchased near Roseburg, OR. At this time the tentative plans are to have a second manufacturing facility along with an area for service work. However, nothing is definite yet. All our names were submitted for the drawing of the chapter baskets as well as numerous prizes donated by vendors and local business. Thanks to all who contributed to the basket it really turned out nice.

We hope all who joined us at the rally enjoyed it as much as Ron and I did. The rally next year will be in Mesa, AZ at the Viewpoint RV Park from April 18th - 25th. We encourage all members to consider attending, it is really a great way to make new friends, find out more about your rig, and just have a wonderful time. Ron and I are definitely including those dates in our schedule next year and will be more than willing to be wagon masters again if the outing coordinator agrees.

THE NATIONAL RALLY ATTENDEES



UPDATE

Smoky Mountain Rally-Pigeon Forge, TN

The planning is in high gear for the Smoky Mountain Rally to be held in Pigeon Forge, TN this October. The dates are October 3rd - 9th. A welcome mixer will be the kick-off event on the evening of the 3rd. Bring a heavy hors d'oeuvre. The campground is located right on Waldens Creek and the clubhouse has a big deck overlooking the creek where we have a cookout planned one evening. We will have the usual "pot luck" meals at the campground on our free evenings as well as at least 2 round table technical sessions on specific issues. Waldens Creek is a small campground so we are space limited. Reservations at the campground are filling up quickly so if you plan to attend this event we recommend you make your reservations now.

October in the Smokies is one of the most beautiful times of the year but unfortunately this makes it one of the most popular tourism times. For that reason we will be dealing with crowds and **lots** of traffic. We are very fortunate to even be able to book our rally at this busy time. Waldens Creek Campground is just a few blocks off the main parkway and a trolley stop is located at the campground and will transport you wherever you want to go in Pigeon Forge and Gatlinburg. Most of the trolley fares are 25 cents one way so bring lots of quarters. Due to the huge volume of traffic, the trolley will be the best way for us to get around most of the time, especially when traveling to Gatlinburg.

We have made reservations on the evening of Oct. 4th for our group to attend Dolly Parton's Dixie Stampede dinner and show - billed as the Smokies most fun place to eat. Thirty-two beautiful horses and a cast of top-notch riders thrill you with daring feats of trick riding and competition, pitting North against South in a friendly and fun rivalry. The show also includes music, dancing, special effects, comedy and much more. Before the show a dinner feast includes a whole rotisserie chicken, hickory smoked bbq pork loin, buttery corn on the cob, creamy vegetable soup, hot home-made biscuits, herb-basted potato, flaky apple pastry and unlimited Pepsi, tea or coffee. Plan to go hungry! We will have a group picture made before the show and will be seated together for the show.

The Smoky Mountain Craftsman's Fair in Gatlinburg - voted one of the south's most popular events - starts on October 5th. In addition to the wonderful arts and crafts, a fun foot-stomping country music show is included free with your admission to the fair. Attending the craft fair on opening day will be one of the less crowded days so we will leave that day free for everyone to visit the fair if they so desire. Because there is so much to do in the Smokies during the time we are there, we will allow a lot of free time for you to do "whatever". Shopping the many outlet centers located in Pigeon Forge can certainly fill a day or two.

Looking forward to seeing you in Pigeon Forge!

John and Carroll Croes, Wagon Masters

**Sunrisers Chapter Outing
Pigeon Forge, TN**

Date: October 3 - 9, 2006

Place: Waldens Creek Campground
2485 Henderson Springs Rd.
Pigeon Forge, TN 37863

Telephone:
1-877-908-2727
1-865-908-2727

Wagon Masters: John and Carroll Croes

Telephone: 1-865-463-8364
1-865-803-8364

Email – seacroes@aol.com

Cost: \$25.00 + tax 30 Amp All sites - Water/Sewer/Electric Full Hookup/Cable/WIFI
\$28.00 + tax 50 Amp

Directions: Exit # 407, Hwy. 66, off Interstate 40 (to Sevierville, Pigeon Forge, Dollywood, etc.) Proceed through Sevierville to Pigeon Forge. Turn right at traffic light #3 in Pigeon Forge (Wears Valley Rd.) Go to 2nd traffic light and turn right on Henderson Springs Rd. 1st campground on right. CAUTION: There is a traffic light #2B after traffic light #2 – do not turn at 2B or you will end up in a congested shopping center!

Deadline: August 1, 2006

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SUNRISERS CHAPTER OUTING Pigeon Forge, TN

REGISTRATION FORM

Name _____

Address _____

Phone [] _____ Email address _____ First Outing Yes _____ No _____

5th Wheel _____ Motor Home _____ Length _____ 30 AMP _____ 50 AMP _____

Deposits & Registration:

Check [dated 8/1/2006] to Carroll Croes for \$20.00 [Wagon Master Fee]

Check [dated 8/1/2006] to Carroll Croes for \$33.81 per person (\$67.62 total) for Dixie Stampede Dinner Show
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: Carroll Croes, 368 Johnson Circle, Clinton, TN 37716

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
Historic Thomasville, GA

Date: November 2 - 7, 2006

Place: Sugar Mill RV Park

4857 McMilan Rd, Ochlocknee, GA 31733

Telephone: 229-227-1451

E-mail: sugarmillrv@yahoo.com

Wagon Masters: Frank & Holly Ayers

Telephone: Cell 229-224-4355 [voice mail]\

E-mail: fayers@rose.net

Cost: \$15.90

Water/Sewer/Electric Full Hookup 30 / 50 Amp, cable and Modem Friendly

[\$15.90 cash or check – with credit card it will be a little more for card processing.]

Directions: From junction of U.S. 19 / 319 in Thomasville, north on U.S. 19 approximately 7 miles, park located on left. From Albany, GA south on U.S. 19 approximately 60 miles, park on right.

Deadline: October 3, 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 CHAPTER OUTING
Historic Thomasville, GA
November 2 – 7, 2006
REGISTRATION FORM

Name _____

Address _____

Phone [] _____ Email address _____

First Outing Yes _____ No _____

5th Wheel _____ Motor Home _____ Length _____ 30 AMP _____ 50 AMP _____

Deposits & Registration:

Check [dated 10/1/2006] to Frank or Holly Ayers for \$15.00 [Wagon Master fee]

Check [dated 10/1/2006] to Sugar Mill RV Park \$15.90

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 PMB 346, 15125 US 19 South Thomasville, GA 31792**

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ALFA SUNRISERS WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

1/1/2006—TO DATE

Ken & Pat Minnig	Davie	FL
Jeff Hartzler	Leesburg	FL
Terry Moreland	Green Cove Springs	FL
Steve Douglas	Grey	TN
Travis & Wanda Johnson	Cordova	TN
Wayne & Patti Gatlin	Orange Beach	AL
Jim Lankford	Warrington	MO
Patrick Spinks	Crossville	TN
Carl & Mary Lou Morris	Virginia Beach	VA
Dimitri & Linda Georginow	Loxahatchee	FL
Ralph Elver	LaBelle	FL
Bill & Carol Bruorton	Groveland	FL
Jimmie Wallace	Norfolk	VA
Jack & Shirley Capps	Suwanee	GA
Carol & Colin Daniel Calfapietra	Knoxville	TN
Charles Gritt	Green Cove Springs	FL
Kenneth & Ellen Hall	Boca Raton	FL
Vaughn "Butch" Shinaberry	Pasadena	MD
Janet & Paul White	Columbia	SC
Phil Capes	Covington	GA
Willie F. Crosby	Wildwood	FL
John & Denise Padgett	Ten Mile	TN
Jim & Valerie Lawrence	Milton	FL
Bob Nicholas	Sarasota	FL
Bert Schadek	Cape Coral	FL
Bernard Slater	Sebastian	FL
James Walker	Safety Harbor	FL
William Eyring	Polk	FL
Charles & Bonnie Carter	Denham Springs	LA
Jeff Stephens	Tampa	FL
Reginald Edwards	Antioch	TN
Herbert R. Groves	St. Louis	MO
David R. Erwin	Saint Albans	WV
Darrell & Barbara Mauldin	Shalotte	NC
Doug & Linda Karraker	ChIPLEY	FL
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John Griffith	Virginia Beach	VA
Randall & Ruth Swift	Port Orange	FL

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