



Anniversary Rally, Black Oak RV Resort “America the Beautiful”

Message from our President

Our last rally was our 48th Anniversary Party held at the Black Oak RV Park near Sonora. As usual the food was great, and a big thank you to Ruth Beckman for the wonderful breakfasts. We had a great caterer for our banquet on Saturday evening followed by an excellent band that kept us all dancing,

We held our annual officer installation. Thanks to outgoing President Nick Roenick for presiding over another successful year. Barney Noel assumed the President's role. Mark Schneider took over as 1st Vice-President. Dean Hansen resumed as 2nd VP. He is the FMCA representative and will help you with any information you need. A big thanks to Jack Christensen who has served many years as Treasurer, keeping our finances in check. Taking over as our new Treasurer is Chris Schneider. George Beckman remains on as our Secretary and also our web master extraordinaire for our 49er web site. Gwen Hansen is still our Recording Secretary.

Welcome all and thank you for being there. I'm looking forward to our first rally of the New Year at Casa De Fruta in Gilroy on December 30th. As usual, our hosts Deo and Jodell have again taken the reins. We will have our New Year's Eve party at the club house. Hope to see you all there.

Barney Noel, GMC 49ers President

GMC 49ers Business Meeting

September 8-10, 2023, Oroville

President, Nick Roenick, called the meeting to order at 10:30 am

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Air Force veterans Mark and Christine Schneider.

Past Presidents in attendance were acknowledged:

1981 John Shutzbaugh, 2008 Terry Taylor, 2009 Dave Case, 2010 George Banovich, 2013 Joe Nehl, 2015 Bill Wevers, 2020- 2021 Alyce Shutzbaugh, 2022 Donna Ventura.
Current GMCWS President Jim Kanomata

Approval of the Minutes:

There were no corrections or omissions to the Minutes of the previous meeting. George Beckman motioned to accept the Minutes as written. Ruth Beckman seconded. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report – Jack Christensen

Treasurer report - recall that the dues structure has changed for 2024 - if you haven't paid yet please get your payment (cash or check to Jack) ASAP.

Secretary Report - Gwen is under the weather so Donna will take notes for this meeting.

2024 will be George Beckman's last year as secretary. Roster - continued discussion re incurring the costs of the club's printing and mailing the rosters vs having the roster info on the website (password protected) and each member downloading and printing their own copies. Much discussion ensued on the pros and cons of all options raised. The possibility of having revenue from vendor ads partially or fully fund production costs was raised by Jim Kanomata. Motion to continue roster production as is, with possible vendor financial support, was made by Ruth Beckman and seconded by Dean Hanson, and passed by members present.

Debra Taylor, owner of our Facebook page, announced that Carla Bolton has agreed to be Debra's assistant and is doing a great job.

FMCA Report – Liaison, Dean Hanson

Dean Hanson. Again promoted the benefits of belonging to the FMCA (which is a requirement for joining any GMC Motorhome Club), including the travel insurance and tire programs.

As an aside, Dean has GMC Motorhome t-shirts available for \$20 at his coach's- all sizes available.

Sunshine Report – Alyce Shutzbaugh

Alyce Shutzbaugh. Nick Roenick and Debra Taylor are both recovering from knee replacement surgery. Terry Taylor continues his recovery process.

Future Rallies - as of this date:

President Roenick listed all the rallies in 2024. Donna Ventura again reminded the members why some rally dates are not in line with second weekend of the month because of availability of appropriate venues, and to please be understanding and accommodating. See our website for rally dates, venues and hosts. The only 2024 rally for which we need a host is November 8-10 in Feather Falls, Oroville.

The New Year's rally at the end of 2023 (Dec 30-Jan 2) will again be held at Casa de Fruta, hosted by Jodell Banovich and Deo Trovao. Will again be very low key. Details will be emailed to members in the next couple of weeks. But in the meantime please let Jodell know if you plan to attend so they can work up necessary logistics.

George Banovich gave some details on the September 2024 rally in Truckee. He has reserved 15 spots. The club has had a rally there several years ago.

Old Business – John Shutzbaugh thanked Jim Kanomata for his support to the GMC community over the last many years, sometimes going above and beyond.

New Business – Jim Kanomata let us know that he regularly promotes the GMC clubs. The next Western States is April 4-7 and encourages all to attend. Again mentioned the trifold GMC brochures that are available to individuals who are seriously interested in owning a GMC.

President Roenick thanked in advance the leaders of the ladies' seminar - Christine Schneider and Kathy Nehl. The technical seminar will be an open discussion on GMC maintenance issues, led by John Shutzbaugh and Nick Roenick.

Respectfully submitted

Donna

Acting Recording Secretary

Anniversary Rally Report

Our Anniversary Rally was a wonderful mixture of patriotism and love.

Friday evening, we dressed up in red, white, and blue. The love for our country showed on the faces of all. A veteran tribute table, full of symbolism, was created by Mark Schneider.



Our Saturday evening dinner dance was marvelous. The band, Shades of Gray, played music we knew and loved. There was much dancing and fun.

Our coffee and breakfasts were beyond compare.

Thanks to John and Alyce Shutzbaugh and Ruth Beckman for all their work to make this rally a success

Crafts

Crafts involved pots and succulents. A good time was had by all.

Tech Talk

Dean discussed the original Slick-50, and its use in aircraft and gas engines. We had a field trip to John's coach and several took a ride. The transmission got very warm and all the expertise yielded no solution. (It later had to be replaced.)

Another field trip was at Jack's coach. Listening to it run led George to believe it was missing. Jack discovered that two of the plug wires (newly installed) were not connected. They were very loose when attached and Jack solved the problem by crimping the clips with pliers. He planned to get a new set of wires.

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Rally Pictures



What?? George Working??



Not Two Times! (The Do Chef)



We Were All Safe!



Patriotic!



Lady Liberty



Young Lovers



Our Band



Aww



Now, That's s Cake



Puzzle—Missing One Piece!



Wonder Why Jack Fell in Love?



Barney Entertained us with Patter



Nothing But Fun



Music to Dance To



Cute Couple



Deep Thought



53 Years and They Never Get Tired of This



New Friends and Old

Future Rallies

March Rally, Flag City, Lodi March 22-24, Dave & Donna de Graffenreid—hosts

May Rally, Port Costa-Point Richmond May 16-19, Tom and Suzanne List—hosts

Guerneville, July 12-14, Dee & Jen Soza, Guttmans—hosts

Truckee, September Sept 13-15, Banoviches—hosts

November Anniversary Rally....November 8-10