



# Vintage Bird Words

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## RALLIES

### Vintage Birds Chapter

ATHENS, TN, OCT 16-20, 2013. Visit the proclaimed “Garden Spot” of the earth in east Tennessee hosted by Peggy & Charlie McKeehan and Jane & Gregg Gessee. Information in this issue.

OSWEGO, NY, JUL 24 – 28, 2014. A joint Vintage Birds rally with the Pen/NY Mixers at the Oswego Harborfest hosted by Jim & Sherry Miller, 607-898-4626. See information in this issue.

### Blue Bird Chapter

SAVIERVILLE, TN, OCT 29- NOV 2, 2013. Annual chapter meeting. River Plantation Park, 800-758-5267. Hosted by Tom & Sandy Bay, 352-361-9001.

### Lone Star Birds

FREDERICKSBURG, TX, DEC 6 – 8, 2013. Texas wine country Christmas rally. Call 830-990-2267 to make your own reservations at 25 reserved sites and three cabins with up to a 1/3 discount. See agenda included in this issue. Hosted by Michael & Sharon Brundridge.

### Wanderlodge Owners Group Forum

WOG RALLY (formerly Rats), PINE MOUNTAIN, GA, OCT 23-27, 2013. Totally relaxed, potlucks, walk about techs. Pine Mountain Campground, 706-663-4329, pine-mountain.rvcoutdoors.com/reservations.

### Birds of a Feather

QUARTZSITE, AZ, JAN 18 – 26, 2014. Many coaches arrive before, some arrive weeks before. For rally information click on the link, <https://birdsofafeather1.shutterfly.com>, and enter the password, flocktogether. Five documents are on the left side. Be sure to view the website for the latest information and pictures of previous trips.

# NEWS FROM THE NATIONAL DIRECTOR

This summer convention in Gillette WY was one of the most awesome locations FMCA has chosen. Electric and full hookups were available for all attendees.

On June 18th the meeting was held. For the first time that I have been a National Director there were no battles. The budget was accepted as it showed FMCA was financially sound. The elections were held. Charlie Adcock was elected President and John Walker VP. Vickie was reelected as Secretary and Percy Bell as Treasurer.

Our one concern is membership. It has fallen off drastically. We are hoping every member will bring in one new member. This is not a difficult task. When in a campground check out the motorhomes and then go chat with them. Most people will join if presented with the magazine and knowledge of our organization. On that note at the annual meeting Ralph and I were presented with gold watches as we have signed up 100 new members.

Submitted  
Sue Marino F111272  
National Director

Since our last newsletter we have lost two of our former members.  
JoAnn Sanders  
James Baber

**Sign Up Form for Vintage Birds Annual Meeting Rally 2013**  
**October 16—20, 2013 Athens, TN**  
**“The Friendly City”**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Number Attending \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Information—Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Names of those attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount included: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## **Highlights from Door County, WI Rally**

**Sun. Aug. 4 – Fri. Aug. 9, 2013**

### **All Birds Welcomed**

Attendees: Cindy & Joe Cich, Linda & Harvey Collins, Lucy & Barry Grim, Peggy & Charlie McKeehan, Marita & Geoff Newton, Kathy & Mark Ragsdale, Hosted By Jane and Gregg Gesse.

Everything went off as planned except the weather, so all the plans were changed. However, the weather did finally get back to normal, that is beautiful, and all activities were accomplished. See the pictures for details.

Sturgeon Bay native Dick Murphy who is a long time rv'er and two time Blue Bird owner stopped by to chat and reminisce about mutual friends.

Joe & Cindy were first time rally attendees and new Bird owners, so we were fortunate to have several Blue Bird pros in attendance. After the normal Bird problem solving, Charlie was able to do a tech session on putting a hole in your generator radiator and creating a new coordinated work clothes outfit.

Gregg learned that his satellite rotator actually rotated his TV antenna, and was finally able to use one of the relays he got from KC. Lighting had welded Harvey's compartment door lock relay and was eating 10 amp fuses as fast as you could feed them to the coach.

Barry showed true Blue Bird character and style, and earned all the Blue Birders a good name by helping a damsel in distress when her slide wouldn't close and she had to leave for a family medical emergency. Of course, anyone who knows Barry knows he does this every day.

The last night the group was ready to stare down Death's Door and later ate a Wisconsin fish boil to celebrate.

Thanks to all the attendees who helped the hosts with their first rally. We now know how much work has gone into all the rallies we have attended. So, we would like to say thanks to all those rally hosts who remember us.

Old friends were enjoyed, new friends were made and the Blue Bird family once again got together. Safe travels and, as always, All Birds Welcome.

## 2013 Lone Star Birds Christmas Rally agenda

Date: December 6th through 8th

Where: Texas Wine Country (Jellystone Park), Physical address: 10618 East Hwy 290, Fredericksburg, TX 78624, GPS: Lat 30.223297 Lng: -98.735435

Reservations: We have procured rally rates (see table below). 25 spaces and 3 cabins are presently on hold for the Lone Star Birds till Nov. 6th. You need to reserve your own spot. Call the reservation desk at: (830) 990-2267 and identify yourself as a member of the Lone Star Birds and let them know what nights you will be there. Their direct E-mail address is: [twcjellystone@gmail.com](mailto:twcjellystone@gmail.com), their direct website is: <http://www.twcjellystone.com>

### RV Slots - Dec 6-8

Meadow	Regular \$58 (per night)	Rally Rate \$45 (per night)
Pull through	Regular \$62 ( per night)	Rally Rate \$45 (per night)
Creek side	Regular \$68 (per night)	Rally Rate \$45 (per night)

### Cabins—Dec 6—8

Cottage—2 adults	Regular \$331.20 (2 nights incl room tax)	Rally Rate: 271.20 (2 nights incl room tax)
Bungalow—2 adults	Regular \$309.12 ( 2 nights incl room tax)	Rally Rate: \$253.12 ( 2 nights incl room tax)

### Friday:

**5PM Cocktail Hour:** Bring your favorite snack and drink to the Rally room, time to catch-up with new and old friends alike. Utensils and paper goods will be provided. Dinner is not supplied Friday as many Birds are just arriving. But we always have plenty of good snacks, hors d' oeuvres and the like, or you can go out and eat at one of the many good places in Fredericksburg.

### Saturday:

**9AM Potluck Breakfast:** Bring your favorite breakfast dish to share with others. Juice, coffee, utensils and paper goods will be provided.

**Lunch:** On your own, lost to do in Fredericksburg and surrounding areas or just hang around the park and chat it up, help someone with their coach, etc.

**5PM Cocktail Hour:** Bring a snack and your favorite beverage to the rally room for some good old fashion story telling. Utensils and paper goods will be provided.

**7PM Dinner:** Old fashion Texas Barbeque. Brisket and Sausage with all the trimmings (Pinto beans, green beans, potato salad, mixed salad, and desert). Iced tea and coffee provided. The White Elephant Christmas party will take place right after dinner, please supply one gift per participant, please make the gift male, female, or neutral.

### Sunday:

**9AM Continental Breakfast:** Pastry's from the Old German Bakery, coffee and juice to be provided by the hosts. The Lone Start Birds Christmas Rally is concluded, have a safe trip to where ever life takes you from here and have a happy holidays!

Happy Holidays and Safe Travels  
Michael & Sharon Brundridge



Vintage Birds &  
Pen NY Mixers  
Chapter Rally  
At  
Oswego Harborfest  
July 24-28 2014

***Rally Fee includes-***

- *4 or 5 nights dry camping (Thu thru Mon ) at Oswego Port Authority with view of the fireworks*
  - *Wednesday July 23 optional early arrival with fish dinner*
  - *Continental breakfast Thursday through Monday*
- *Social hour including frozen drinks, beer, wine, soft drinks, information and door prizes on Thursday July 24 at 5:00 pm. bring a hardy snack to share*
  - *Trolley passes included (\$6 value) trolley comes to our lot*
- *Farewell dinner and ice cream Sunday July 27 evening sponsored by Camping World*
  - *Fort Ontario, maritime museum and other attractions*

***Harborfest highlights -***

- **Named one of the top one hundred events for group travel by the American Bus Association**
  - **Rated top 10 in USA fireworks show**
    - **Juried arts and crafts**
  - **Music and entertainment on three main stages plus other locations though town**
    - **30+ bands classic rock, country, blues and jazz**
      - **Midway and street vendors**
      - **Lake Ontario waterfront location**
      - **Optional Friday fishing charter**

[www.oswegoharborfest.com](http://www.oswegoharborfest.com)

***Rally fee available spring 2014. In 2012 rally fee was \$75.00 per couple for Thursday arrival \$ 15.00 additional person we hope to maintain that price.***

Early arrivals are Wednesday after 12:00 PM. for additional \$15.00

Please bring a 1-gallon jug of water for coffee

Jim & Sherry Miller VB #1168

607-898-4626

Jem590@aol.com

# PLEASE SUBMIT THIS SHEET WITH ANNUAL DUES PAYMENT OR MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

(CHECK ONE)  MEMBERSHIP DUES PAYEMENT       MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

>>>INFORMATION FOR EXISTING MEMBERS AND MEMBERSHIP APPLICANTS<<<				
_____	_____	_____		
First Name (Please Print)	Middle Name	Last Name		
_____	_____	_____		
Spouse/Other First Name	Spouse/Other Middle Name	Spouse/Other Last Name		
_____	_____	_____		
Street	Apt. No./Box	City	State	Zip
(____) _____	(____) _____			
Home Phone	Cell Phone			
_____	_____			
Coach Make, Model, Year	FMCA Number			

>>>ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION<<<	
_____	_____
Preferred Name for Badge One	Preferred Name for Badge Two

**REMIT TO** Vintage Birds  
318 East Fourth Street  
Rome, GA 30161

**CONTACT** Jim Hamrick, Treasurer  
E-Mail vintagebird@comcast.net  
Telephone (706) 232-2486

**MEMBERSHIP APPLICANTS** (First year dues and initiation fee) \$30.00

**MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL** (Please Circle) 2012, 2013, 2014      year(s) \$15 per year      \$\_\_\_\_\_

**Check Number** \_\_\_\_\_      **Amount Remitted**      \$\_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**Note: FMCA dues must be current for Vintage Bird membership to remain in good standing.**

## BUZZYS BILLBOARD

### 1990 BLUEBIRD WANDERLODGE 40 WB 8V92

Batteries less than a year old  
New refrigerator  
Rebuilt 15 KW power tech gen.  
Satellite system  
(3) 13,500 BTU roof a/c units  
Blue Ox tow bar with cables  
\$65,000

For more info call  
(352) 430-2020

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### 1990 BLUEBIRD WANDERLODGE 40 WB 8V92

Tires & batteries 2 year, lifetime air  
filter  
New refrigerator & icemaker  
Ultra leather captain and co-pilot seats  
Exterior gray/silver/mauve  
\$40,000  
(931) 337-6181

**REDUCED**

### Parts needed for a 1984 PT40 with a 6V92

Bay door 45' L X 29" H, Roof AC unit  
Kohler 12.5 KW voltage regulator  
Alternator bracket for a second alternator  
on a 6V92, Bendix air throttle cable and  
cylinder 12V alternator & bracket for the  
kohler/Perkins engine, 30,000 btu We-  
besto or Espar diesel  
water heater  
Ken Doyle  
Cell (301) 908-5735  
Email Ken.hvac-conserve@att.net

### 1987 BLUEBIRD WANDERLODGE PT40 8V92

This coach was purchased in 1990 with  
7,000 miles from Harvey Mitchell, Tampa  
Florida. We were the 2nd owner.

120,000 miles  
4000 Wt inverter/charger  
With auto generator start  
10 bank battery set, All new washer/dryer,  
refrigerator, icemaker, back up tv  
Largest roof trunk, 50# freezer  
20" color TV entertainment center in bay  
Car haul trailer available \$4,000

\$34,500

Ed Wentzel

828-389-4494

Cell phone 941-400-4131

**REDUCED**

### 1993 WANDERLODGE

8V92 rebuilt engine  
Side aisle—walnut interior  
All Bluebird options plus  
3 TV's in-motion-satellite— w/d  
Health forces sale  
79,900 or best offer  
404-808-3331 or  
jjdubac@etcm.com

### Bundle of parts for sale all together

Chandelier (plus parts to install) ,2 Bathroom fans- manual  
pop up, 2 Dash fans, Plastic inserts for side deco, Exhaust  
vent parts, Schematics- some 1987 FC, 2 Ac covers- soft,  
Internal light covers, External light cover lenses, Side mir-  
rors and mirror inserts, Mirror air deflectors, Wheel lug  
nut covers, Electric fuel pump, Dump valve, Furnace parts  
and gas control valve, Plastic shroud- top front AC, Mis-  
cellaneous pieces, Metal antennae mount plate, Water  
pump with extra motor

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**Review the mailing label on this newsletter to find the expiration date of your dues. Please send us remittance sheet when sending payment to ensure accurate credit for payment.**

**Also, If any changes need to be made to your address, send the information to Jim Hamrick.**