



# Classics Chatter

G M C C L A S S I C S

**UP COMING RALLY**

Oak Creek RV  
Ranch  
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Weatherford, Texas  
76088  
817 594 0200  
JANUARY 22, 23 AND  
24, 2015

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**L E T T E R F R O M O U R P R E S I D E N T**



As this is my final column for The Chatter as president of GMC Classics, I would like to express my appreciation to members and officers for the excellent, proactive cooperation and support accorded me during my three years as president. Special thanks to outgoing officers **Georgene Farrill** (vice president), **Jaye Hodges** (secretary), **Frank Jacob** (assistant FMCA national director and **Willard Murdock** (FMCA national director). Their support was invaluable to me. As **Billy Massey** was elected as my successor at the Concan rally, I encourage members and officers to be similarly supportive of him as your club president.

The fall rally at Concan, TX/ Parkview Riverside RV Park was an extraordinary event, in part, because of its rugged, scenic, location in the Texas Hill Country. Considerable credit, however, is due the rally team of **Billy**

**Massey, Virgie/Corky McHaney and Tommy/ Ann Walker** for putting on an enjoyable event for the 37 members present.

At the business meeting, members present elected officers for 2015 and made a decision for the 2015 spring rally.

2015 Officer election results: President Billy Massey, Vice President Reg Phillips, Treasurer Dot Phillips, Secretary Redonia Harper (pending recruitment of a "permanent" secretary), Wagonmaster - Carroll Shelley, Assistant Wagonmaster Boyd Mooney, FMCA National Director Virgie McHaney, Alternate National Director - open (recruitment pending).

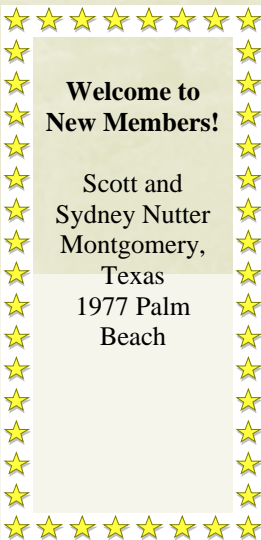
This team of officers will confirm appointments to non-elected roles and recruit replacements as needed at the winter 2015 rally. The non-elected roles are currently filled by **Bob Lee** (Technical Program), **Billy Massey** (GMCC Ad-

ministrato), **Redonia Harper** (GMCC Newsletter Editor) and **Willard Murdock** (Defib.Program). The new officer team will also propose a nominating team for 2015 and arrange for a financial review at that rally. Thanks to the 2014 nominating team of **Georgene Farrill, Redonia Harper and John Sharpe** for performing the always difficult task of recruiting nominees for club roles.

Wagonmaster **Reg Phillips** advised at Concan that a location must be selected and a rally team recruited immediately for the spring 2015 rally. He cited as an alternative to a standalone Classics rally the use of the GMC Motorhomes International Spring Convention for the Classics spring rally. That would eliminate the need for acquiring and recruiting a rally team. At Reg's invitation, **John Sharpe**, GMCMI VP/South Central region, commented on the GMCMI spring convention plans. The convention will run from Friday, 27 March to Thursday AM, 02 April '15.  
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**Welcome to New Members!**

Scott and  
Sydney Nutter  
Montgomery,  
Texas  
1977 Palm  
Beach



It will be at the Kemper Williams Park & Patterson Area Civic Center in Patterson, Louisiana. GMC Classics members would be accommodated with a time, probably 5:30 PM Sunday, 29 Mar, and a place for a club dinner and business meeting. Classics members who prefer to attend only a portion of the convention and attend the Classics dinner and business meeting are welcome. **Kim Weeks**, GMCMI's convention manager and Classics member, will adjust the convention fee accordingly. Members present at Concan voted to hold the Classics spring '15 rally with GMCMI's spring convention.

On a minor note, the Executive Committee requested that the club secretary place notices for future Classics rallies in FMCA Magazine. This is a depar-

ture from past practice when 50-70 coaches were often present at Classics rallies and accommodating more coaches would have been difficult. By welcoming FMCA members owning other motorhomes, we may be able to occasionally offset some of our reduced member attendance. Our bylaws, however, restrict initial membership in GMC Classics to owners of GMC Motorhomes.

The Classics winter rally will be at the Oak Grove RV Park, Weatherford, TX - 22-25 Jan'15 (<http://www.oakcreekrvpark.com/index.php>). **Sharon Jacob (and Frank), Joyce Murdoch (and Willard)** will lead the rally team but would "appreciate a little help". The summer '12 rally was at Weatherford and the accommodations at this RV park were top-tier. A large turnout at Weatherford

would be a fine tribute to the rally team for their commitment of a lot of time and work for member enjoyment.

As always, your executive committee and I work for you, the members of GMC Classics, and welcome your feedback on any aspect of the club's operations – in person, by email, or phone. Our email addresses and phone numbers are in each edition of The Chatter.

Regards,

Fred

## T E C H S E S S I O N

Tom Landis presented a talk on the power and effects of lightning.

He also passed around a card of AC Delco Radiator Stop Leak tablets, part #10 108. A couple of these tablets in your radiator will keep very small leaks in check.

He noted to replace a circuit breaker that had been tripped repeatedly as they weaken over time and use and then will not withstand the originally rated amperage. He noted that it was best to try to replace with the same as original Bryant brand breakers as they fit the box correctly as designed.

Voltage and hertz should be checked at your RV Utility Post prior to plugging in. Check for correctly grounded circuits and that hertz are, if not exactly 60 cycles, not below 55hz as it could ruin your roof air conditioners.

He emphasized that if changes are made to your electrical system; note the changes on the diagrams in your manuals. It will help you in the future, as well as subsequent owner of your motorhome.

He noted that he uses only marine type 840 cranking amp starting batteries since they are built for a larger tank, thus will last longer. Also, they are not actually "maintenance free" as advertised. Water level is still critical as always.

While discussing the best way to splice a wire, Jerry Reeves noted that he came across some "self shrink" tape at Home Depot. He reported having good results and that it was almost impossible to remove just as heat shrink tubing.

Thank you, Tom, for a nice informative discussion.



## A WORD FROM STANLEY

By Georgene Farrill

STANLEY will not have a report this edition. Poor Stanley had to attend the rally without his pseudonym. He therefore cannot give a report of all the happenings at the rally. There were a total of 37 members, 16 coaches with 4 not in motor homes.

It was reported that everyone had a really great time just being together. The Parkview Riverside RV Park is a beautiful park across the picturesque Frio River from Garner State Park, the most popular State Park in Texas.

The management and staff were excellent and cheerful. They bent over backward to accommodate our every wish.

The food was furnished by Buckhorn Bar and Grill catering all evening meals. Could not have asked for better food and attitudes from the servers, Carla and Louisa.

Everyone hated to leave but look forward to seeing everyone again at the excellent Oak Creek RV, West of Weatherford, in January. Most are looking forward to seeing the "Big A\*\*" fan again.

LONE STAR MOTORCYCLE MUSEUM. Lots of members traveled the 33 miles to the museum and lunch. It was a very interesting place that had a constant stream of motorcycle groups coming and going while there. Good "Aussie" meat pies and pecan pie too. Nice folks.

Dot especially enjoyed the tour, said she never realized there were so many motorcycle manufacturers. The 1917 one was really a jewel to see.

### GAME RESULTS

Everyone wants to give a big thank you to **Charles and Janice Wersal** for always being such good sports and stepping in to handle the games.

The winners of each game were:

|                      |                                     |                     |                    |
|----------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Chicken Foot:</b> | <i>First Place</i>                  | <i>Second Place</i> | <i>Third Place</i> |
|                      | Sherry Mooney                       | Gay Guelker         | Sharon Jacob       |
|                      | <i>Fourth Place:</i> Francis Reeves |                     |                    |

(Congratulations Francis, you got to take Charlie Chicken again, a little bird mentioned that your scored was 246 points.)

|                 |                    |                     |                    |
|-----------------|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Washers:</b> | <i>First Place</i> | <i>Second Place</i> | <i>Third Place</i> |
|                 | Jerry Reeve        | Frank Jacob         | Billy Massey       |

**Bean Bag Baseball:** Played two games with most folks participating, Winners won and losers lost.

**BINGO:** Everyone loves bingo. Winners were Anne Marie Carter, Kay Zepke, Reggie Phillips, Frank Jacob, Pat Monk, Joyce Murdock, Sherry Mooney and the big winner was Dot Phillips

Dues for 2015 are payable now and should be received before January 1, 2015.  
Please send a check for \$25.00 to the GMC Classics Club at:

GMC Classics Headquarters  
7110 Forbess Drive  
Brownwood, Texas 76801  
OR

Click the PayPal button at:

<https://www.gmcclassics.com/application.html#apply>

**Please note we will be distributing the newsletter electronically to everyone who has an email address starting with this Fall 2014 issue. The reason being, it is so much less expensive to deliver. You can then print it out and read at your leisure as usual. You will be notified by email when it is ready to view on line.**

**However, if you prefer receiving it by the US Postal Service for whatever reason, just let us know at [bdub@gmcclassics.com](mailto:bdub@gmcclassics.com).**

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# GMC Classics Winter Rally 2015 Schedule

## *OAK CREEK RV PARK*

Weatherford, Texas

*You are responsible for making your own reservations and paying for your space.*

January 22 – 25, 2015

**Hosts: Willard & Joyce Murdock, Frank & Sharon Jacob, Robert & Linda Kaufman and Richard and Jaye Hodges**

|                          |             |  |
|--------------------------|-------------|--|
| Thur. 22 <sup>th</sup>   |             | All day check in and registration  |
| AM                       | 7:30        | Continental Breakfast  |
|                          | 10:00       | Smart Phone Tips   |
|                          | 12:00       | Lunch on your own  |
|                          | 2:00        | Flower Design Tips   |
|                          | 4:00        | Executive Board Meeting  |
| PM                       | 5:00 – 6:00 | Social Hour  |
|                          | 6:00 – 7:00 | Dinner –Brisket, Chicken, Sausage, Beans, Potato Salad, Coleslaw   |
|                          | 7:00        | Chickenfoot  |
| Fri 23 <sup>rd</sup> AM  | 7:30        | Continental Breakfast  |
|                          | 9:30        | Flea Market  |
|                          | 11:30       | Classy Ladies – Bring Sweetheart Desserts or Finger Food plus a wrapped Valentine Surprise                 |
| PM                       | 2:00        | Washers  |
|                          | 5:00 – 6:00 | Social Hour  |
|                          | 6:00        | Dinner – Chicken Fried Steak, Chicken Fried Chicken, Potatoes & gravy. Corn. Green beans and tossed salad. |
|                          | 7:00        | Bingo  |
| Sat. 24 <sup>th</sup> AM | 8:00        | Pancake Breakfast  |
|                          | 9:00        | Tech Session   |
| PM                       | 12:00       | Lunch on your Own  |
|                          | 1:00 – 2:00 | Crafts   |
|                          | 2:00 – 2:30 | Ice Cream  |
|                          | 2:30 – 4:30 | Inside Baseball  |
|                          | 5:00 – 6:00 | Social Hour  |
|                          | 6:00        | Dinner – Fajitas, Beef, Chicken, or pork, sautéed bell peppers & onions, beans, rice & condiments          |
|                          | 7:00        | Business Meeting – Installation of Officers & Awards   |
| Sun. 25 <sup>th</sup> AM | 7:00 – 8:00 | Worship Service  |

# GMC Classics Winter 2015 Registration

## OAK CREEK RV PARK

7652 West Interstate 20 (Exit 397)

Weatherford, Texas

Ph: 817 594 0200 Web site: [www.oakcreekrvpark@yahoo.com](http://www.oakcreekrvpark@yahoo.com)

January 22-25, 2015

Mail this form along with check payable to *GMC Classics* to:

### Dot Phillips

2510 Vega Street

Grand Prairie, Texas 75050

(972) 647 2018

|  |                |              |                |
|--|----------------|--------------|----------------|
| Members' Names:  |                |              | Check # _____  |
| Guests' Names:   |                |              |                |
| <b>ATTENTION:</b><br><i>You must make your own reservations and pay for the RV site - \$31.50 per night.</i> |                |              |                |
| Rally Fee  |                |              | <b>\$25.00</b> |
| Thursday p.m. Dinner   | \$15.25 each x | =            | \$             |
| Friday p.m. Dinner   | \$14.00 each x | =            | \$             |
| Saturday p.m. Dinner   | \$16.25 each x | =            | \$             |
|  |                | <i>Total</i> | \$             |

**RESERVATIONS ARE DUE BY**

**January 10, 2015**