

# NASHVILLE TENNESSEE

## 2018

## JUBILEE

## OCTOBER 13 – 20

***It is time to start planning on attending this Jubilee.  
Mark your calendars and make your reservations at Nashville KOA.  
See page 5 for more information.***

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## From the Editors:

We welcome rally reports, announcements, recipes, repair hints, anything that would be of general interest to our membership. *The Tidings* is published three times a year: January, May, and September. **The deadlines for submitting articles for publication are December 1, April 1, and August 1.** Please send all articles for publication to Val Sherer, valpub@yahoo.com, or mail to Tidings Editor, 17 Angela Ave, San Anselmo CA 94960. When sending rally announcements, also send a copy to our webmaster, Rick Newcomb (rnewcomb@comcast.net) so he can put them on the TrailBlazer web page (<http://tmtrailblazers.org>).

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR PRIVACY

There have been concerns about publishing member information on websites. In particular, the concern was that listing the names and other address information of rally contacts, directors, etc. might expose those people to harassment or other unwanted contact. The member information published in *The Tidings* is in a 'controlled' distribution. That is, *The Tidings* is only sent to members. Many times the rally announcements in *The Tidings* are copied to Internet web sites as a means of getting broader coverage for our events. However, when the rally information is published on the Internet, everyone can read it. So, if you don't want your personal information (name, address, phone or email address) to be published on the Internet, indicate your desire with your rally announcements or other items you send for publication and we'll put the notice (not to be published on the Internet) with your personal information.

# News from Nebraska



**G**reetings from the factory!  
We had a very late spring... our last snow (with 5-6 inches) was on May Day! The past several weeks have been near perfect, especially for planting potatoes and sweet corn AND the dandelions are in full bloom! :-)

This good weather has brought many of you here to have service work completed. We enjoy meeting you, getting to know you and hearing your TrailManor stories along with your plans for summer camping trips.

If you haven't been on Facebook recently, you may want to spend some time in the TrailManor Facebook Fan page. It has great photos of camping sights, redecorating ideas and a lot of helpful hints for TrailManor owners. I've learn a lot just reading through the posts.

The TrailManor Facebook Fan page was created by Jim and Jolene Leinbaugh. Their story is so very similar

to the ones we hear daily. They owned a pop-up canvas camper but after three consecutive camping trips of getting caught in major thunderstorms they were done with canvas camping. After an internet search they came across the TrailManor; a hard sided camper that was easy to tow, compatible with their 6-cylinder SUV and had heat, AC and indoor plumbing. It was exactly what they needed plus they wouldn't have to spend a fortune for a heavy duty tow vehicle. So, we extend A BIG THANK YOU to Jim and Jolene.

We think about all of you out enjoying camping, hiking, boating, etc. Have a WONDERFUL and SAFE summer.

*Cleo Eickhoff  
for those of us at TrailManor*

The TrailManor Trailblazers History 1993-2015 is on the TrailManor TrailBlazers webpage, <http://www.tmltrailblazers.org/>. Click the "Tidings" or "Photos" icons.

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## ***The President's Corner***

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**I**am pleased to welcome our new Membership Coordinator, Veronica Zieminski. Veronica stepped forward and volunteered to take this position when Ed Ruch had to resign due to personal reasons. When Gary Lewis could no longer to continue as Membership Coordinator, Ed Ruch volunteered. He said that since no one came forward to perform this position, he would volunteer. Thank you Ed for taking over from Gary.

The transitions from Ed to Veronica is processing very smoothly. Please note the new address to send your membership dues and any other membership information.

I hope everyone is looking forward to the 2018 Jubilee. We are planning on attending. Many years ago we camped at the Nashville KOA in our tent camper with our young son and his grandmother. We had a great time there. I have heard from a couple of West Coast members who are planning on attending and also others who said they are attending. This park was picked due to its central location for all our chapters. Everyone who traveled to the California Jubilee had a great time. Let Nashville KOA be another great Jubilee.

# Upcoming Rally Dates

Rally announcements are also posted on [www.tntrailblazers.org](http://www.tntrailblazers.org)

New England Tour  
October, 2017  
*(sold out)*

Scarborough ME  
September 8-10, 2017  
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Marshall MI  
Sept. 21-24, 2017  
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Casey IL  
June 8 -11, 2017  
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West Coast, Petaluma CA  
October 5-8, 2017  
Petaluma KOA  
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Byron NY  
Sept 8-10 2017  
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Williamsberg VA  
October 13-15  
*See page 13*

Pine Mountain GA  
October 27-29, 2017  
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**Mile High Trailblazers**

June 9-10	Navajo State Park
July 14-15	Steamboat Lake State Park
August 11-12	South Fork
Sept 8-9	Mueller State Park
Oct. 13-14	Buena Vista

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**2017 Calendar Summary**

June 8-11	Casey IL
September 8-10	Scarborough ME
September 8-10	Byron NY
September 21-24	Marshall MI
October 5-8	Petaluma KOA
October 13-15	Williamsberg VA
October 27-29	Pine Mountain GA

# *Jubilee 2018*

## *October 13 – 20, 2018*

### *Nashville*

Well the campground is chosen, dates have been set, contract is signed, the deposit has been made, Nashville here we come!

<http://koa.com/campgrounds/nashville/>

#### **So start planning!**

The KOA has put aside 100 deluxe, pull-thru and back-in sites for the Trailblazers. You'll make your reservations directly with the KOA and make them early! This is one of the busier months for Nashville and if you have to cancel you'll only lose \$10 as long as it's 30 days before the Jubilee.

The sites we'll have are as follows; H1- H17, I1- I16, J1-J16, K1- K9, L1 - L4, L7 - L10, M1 - M10, S1 - S11 and S24 - S36.

We wanted to get the Jubilee back towards the center, we'll only be 813 miles from Lebanon, KS.

We'll receive a 20% discount on the sites if we reserve at least 50 sites.

We'll do that, so the rates will be \$69.19 for the deluxe pull thru, \$56.15 for a pull-thru and \$53.14 for a back in.

The crew will be meeting at the KOA in early April to look into the tours, dinner cruises, etc. The Grand Ole Opry is just minutes away by shuttle that picks you up at the campground! Then there's downtown ...

What to while in Nashville:

<http://www.visitmusiccity.com>

[https://www.tripadvisor.com/Tourism-g55229-Nashville\\_Tennessee-Vacations.html](https://www.tripadvisor.com/Tourism-g55229-Nashville_Tennessee-Vacations.html)

# Nashville KOA



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[https://www.tripadvisor.com/Tourism-g55229-Nashville\\_Tennessee-Vacations.html](https://www.tripadvisor.com/Tourism-g55229-Nashville_Tennessee-Vacations.html)

# Rally Reports

## West Coast Chapter Spring Rally 2017

Our Spring Rally may have been few in numbers but we had a great time connecting with each other despite of the off and on again rain. For some reason this year, many of our members had conflicts for this date and could not attend. We have come to this same campground for many years, mainly because it's a great campground, lots to do in this area and most importantly, I seem to be the only one willing to host the rally. This campground makes it very easy for reservations, and it's close to where I live.

We heard stories from one member who was returning from a trip to Florida in his TrailManor for a family reunion; he met up with his cousin from Iowa, who joined him in the trip back to California for this Spring Rally stopping by to visit Randy Sampson, TrailBlazers Vice President. They had a very enjoyable visit. On the way back to California the invariable flat tire occurred. His next big trip will be going on Rick Newcombs' Fall East Coast Trip. He is also planning to attend next year's Jubilee.

Another couple is selling their home here in California and planning to move to Oregon. The biggest problem for them here in California is the amount of congestion and higher living expenses. They have been

at this home for years but traffic and dense housing has just become more than they wish to deal with. They will be traveling and living in their TrailManor while checking out the various communities in Oregon where they plan to buy a new home. Even though they will be further away, they are still planning on attending the West Coast Rallies.

This what so great about these rallies—we hear what is happening with our members.



# Rally Announcements

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Please send all rally announcements to Val Sherer, Tidings Editor, [valpub@yahoo.com](mailto:valpub@yahoo.com)

(17 Angela Ave, San Anselmo CA 94960)

To make your announcement complete, include the Chapter name, the name, address, phone and email address of the place where the rally will be held, the rally dates, the cost, the host or contact person, including the address, phone, and email if available. Also include any special instructions such as bringing gifts, pot luck suppers, etc. You may include additional information but always include as much of the above as possible.

Send copies of your emails to Rick Newcomb, [rnewcomb@comcast.net](mailto:rnewcomb@comcast.net) so he can update the TrailManor Rally pages.

Check the TrailBlazer Rally pages at [www.tmtrailblazers.org](http://www.tmtrailblazers.org) for any changes.

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## Charter Chapter 2017 Spring Rally, June 8 –11, 2017 Casey KOA Casey, Illinois

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### “Come See Big Things in a Small Town”

Hosted by David and Mary Stjern and John and Lyn-  
da Graham

Casey KOA Casey, Illinois

217-932-5319

[KOA@CaseyKOA.com](mailto:KOA@CaseyKOA.com)

1248 E.1250 Rd

Casey, Illinois 62420

Call direct to make reservations after 3/1/17. Need to  
have reservations by 4/15/17.

They are holding 15 full hookup sites for us.

There are 4 sleeping cabins, no bathrooms or water -  
must bring own towels etc.

There is a Days Inn within 2 miles. Phone 217-932-  
2212

After reservations are made please let John and Lyn-  
da know when you are arriving and for how long. Same  
rate if you come early or stay longer. (Last year rates  
\$39.00)

Our e-mail: [johnorlynda@gmail.com](mailto:johnorlynda@gmail.com) Phone 217-  
932-2968

Be sure to tell them you are with Trailmanor/Charter  
Chapter

Please send 15.00 a person to cover expenses to: John  
Graham

511 Horseshoe Lane

Casey, Illinois 62420

### **Thursday June 8**

Lunch at Moonshine, Illinois –Population 2

Early Bird Dinner

Brats and Hot Dogs, Mac and Cheese

Baked Beans & Chips

Bring your own drink and service.

### **Friday June 9**

Donuts, coffee, and Juice 8 am

Free day to roam

Evening meal on your own

Ideas for the day:

State Parks close by, Clay Shooting

Lincoln’s Log Cabin, Amish Settlement, Canoeing

### **Saturday June 10**

Donuts, Coffee and Juice 8 am

Talk by Jim Bolin Creator of “Big Things in a Small  
Town” 10 am

Evening meal at Richards Farm Restaurant

### **Sunday June 11**

Catered Breakfast 7:30 am

Biscuits and Sausage Gravy

Breakfast Ham Casserole, Bacon Sausage Links

Fruit Tray, Muffins

Coffee, Juice, and Milk



## Dixie Chapter Fall Rally 2017

Oct 27– 29, 2017

Pine Mountain RV Resort  
8804 Hamilton Road,  
Pine Mountain, GA 31822

Reservations by phone call 866-811-3691 Margret is the special events coordinator. We have an entire area of the park reserved just for us. They don't have much availability before the rally but you can reserve the 26th. You can also stay longer but must call early to reserve. They stay booked.

The rate per night is \$40.99 per unit (that price will go down if we have more than 15 RV's) it is full hook, with WiFi, Swimming pool, and a 16 foot hot tub.

To the right is a copy of the RV Park information and maps.



Friday night we have reservations at the Calloway Gardens Country Kitchen at 6:00 pm.

Saturday night we will do our pot luck at the Activities Pavilion with a full kitchen on site at the park, at 5:00 pm.

Sunday morning we will have breakfast at the Activities Pavilion at on site at the park.

It is imperative we book as early as possible with this park; they stay booked up year round.


*Instead of the place you stay on the way to somewhere, we are the somewhere...*




- Concierge Service
- Free Wi-Fi
- Activities Pavilion with Full Indoor Kitchen
- Bicycle Rentals
- Saline Swimming Pool with Zero-Depth Kids Play Area
- 16' Hot Tub
- Shuttle Service to Local Attractions by Appointment
- Steam Shower by Appointment
- Lodge:
  - Coffee Bar
  - Game Room
  - Large Screen Wii
  - Fitness Center

**Information or Reservations:**  
**866-811-3691**  
[www.rvcoutdoors.com](http://www.rvcoutdoors.com)

8804 Hamilton Rd.  
Pine Mountain, GA 31822  
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## **New England Pilgrim Chapter Fall Rally**

Wassamki Springs Campground, Scarborough, ME, September 8-10, 2017

website: <https://www.wassamkisprings.com/>

email: [wassamkisprings@aol.com](mailto:wassamkisprings@aol.com), (207) 839-4276

Please come and join us for camping in Maine's Greater Portland and Casco Bay region. The New England Pilgrim Chapter Fall Rally will be held at Wassamki Springs Campground, 56 Saco Street, Scarborough, ME 04074.

The campground will offer us a 10% discount off the 2017 full hookup site—water, electric, sewer and cable TV. The 2016 rate is \$35.00 per night for full hook ups. Some members will be extending their stay arriving on Thursday and departing on Monday. Please feel free to do the same.

To make a reservation, please contact Wassamki Springs Campground directly. Between October 16th and March 1st, reservations should be made through their website. Phone reservations may be made after March 1. Be sure to indicate that you are with the Trailblazers rally.

Reservation Deadline: August 13, 2017

For information contact Rick Newcomb, email: [rnewcomb@comcast.net](mailto:rnewcomb@comcast.net) or phone: (978) 663-9005.

If you do not have TrailBlazers nametags, please email Rick Newcomb at [rnewcomb@comcast.net](mailto:rnewcomb@comcast.net) with the names for the nametags. He will have them ready for you at the rally.

For those who arrive a day early, you may want to join the optional day trip to Peaks Island via Casco Bay Lines' ferry on Friday. You may check out the website for the passenger and bike ferry rate, <http://www.cascobaylines.com/portland-ferry-rates/passenger/>. Dick Hamel will lead a group who wish to explore the island by bike. Rick Newcomb will lead a group who wish to explore by foot. More details will be in the May Tidings.

Our traditional potluck dinner is scheduled for Saturday evening at 5:30 pm.

Area Information:

Visit Maine Website – Portland/Casco Bay Region: <http://www.visitmaine.com/region/portland/>

Visit Maine Website – Maine Beaches Region: <http://www.visitmaine.com/region/beaches/>

Visit Portland Maine website: <http://www.visitportland.com/>

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## **West Coast 2017 Fall Rally**

**October 5-8, 2017 San Francisco Petaluma KOA, Petaluma CA**

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### **County Camping Near the City**

Our Fall Rally at Petaluma, California, is October 5, 2017 to October 9, 2017. This is a great time to get together and have fun!

We have reserved 10 sites near the Club House, plus use of the West End of the Club House. Additional sites can be added if needed. You should make your reservations as early as possible to get your preferred camp site. KOA is taking reservations at this time. To make your reservations, call KOA at (800) 992-2267 and mention our group name: TrailBlazers. A deposit fee of \$52.00 is required. If you wish to come earlier and/or leave later, let the campground know ahead of time. This rate

applies for those who want to come earlier and/or stay longer. Otherwise, you will have to pay the going rate. There is a \$10.00 cancellation fee.

The reservations should be made now—the sooner the better.

The rate this year is \$52 per night plus 12% tax for a total of \$58.24. Site rate includes four persons with a 6 person max. All sites have full hookups.

Please let your Host/Wagonmasters know that you are coming. More details for the weekend will be sent to each attendee. Your Hosts/Wagonmasters are Ralph & Val Sherer, email [RLSHERER@sbcglobal.net](mailto:RLSHERER@sbcglobal.net).

## Central Northeast Chapter Meet & Greet, Sept, 8-10, 2017

### Southwoods RV Resort

Campground is located at 6749 Townline Rd, Byron, NY 14422

Your hosts, Bill & Marge Elliott. Former members Russ & Marj Tabor contacted me recently and asked if we, as well as perhaps other TM owners would be interested in camping with them in Byron in Sept since they miss the old crew and would like to see us again. Our chapter actually did hold a rally there back in the Fall of 2009 and it was a really nice campground with plenty to see and do in the area. Her message reads: If anyone would like to join us in Sept/ The dates are Sept 8 - 10th It's a popular week end so get your reservations in early. We usually go "on the hill" sites 40 - 60. Those sites have water and electric. For full hook up, sites B2 - B10 are the closest. We still camp under Hi-Love New York, although there aren't as many of us, and certainly not as many Hi-Los, so any SOB is welcome to camp under our group It's up to the Wagon master to develop a weekend schedule, and as soon as they do, I will let you know. We usually have a potluck, and a community breakfast. Looking forward to seeing you and I hope many of the Trailmanor group will come. Please visit the campground website at ([www.southwoodsrvresort.com](http://www.southwoodsrvresort.com)) to view site locations and additional information on rates, facilities etc-etc (with) links for area attractions and directions. They do offer a 10% discount to Good Sam members.

At this time I have made no additional plans because for the past three years every rally we have tried to schedule has only brought out 3-4 trailers, one of which was ours, plus a few old long time members, other than that, there doesn't seem to be hardly any interest in not only attending but running a rally in an area close to them. To be totally honest, this is what I am considering my last ditch effort to hold whatever membership in our chapter together and hopefully have others become more involved

Come, join your old friends or come and meet some new friends that have basically the same interest at heart (Camping and Friendship) we would love for you to attend.

Reservations and one night payment must be made directly with the campground by calling them at (585) 548-90022 remember to mention the Hi-Love NY Group if you wish to camp in the area mentioned above. After registering with the campground please contact "hosts" Bill & Marge by e-mail ([bimba1134@aol.com](mailto:bimba1134@aol.com)) "subject" Meet & Greet, or call (215) 669-5681 and tell him the dates you have registered for and site# assigned. Check with campground about come early or stay late options

**DEADLINE:** Reservations and first nights payment to the campground should be made ASAP and please don't forget to notify Bill so he can add you onto the attendee list as well as send you additional information if and when it becomes available.

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## Charter Chapter 2017 Fall Rally

Sept. 21 – Sept. 24, 2017, Camp Turkeyville in Marshall, MI  
Hosted by: Clara Kahle & Ed Jones and Sarah & Bob Cooley

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Call Camp Turkeyville directly to make reservations: 800-228-4315 or contact them at: [www.campturkeyville.com](http://www.campturkeyville.com). The current rate is \$40 per night for groups of ten or more units. Make sure to mention “Trailmanor Trailblazers” to receive the discount. They are holding 15 sites for us until August 21. Please note they have no cabins for rent, but there are local motel or bed & breakfast options available.

After reservations have been made, please send \$10 per person to Bob Cooley, 334 Lakeshore Dr. Battle Creek, MI 49015. Please let me know the date that you will be arriving. Come early & stay late—we look forward to seeing you!

Thursday: dinner at a local restaurant for early arrivals.

Friday evening: We will attend a dinner theatre at Cornwell’s Turkeyville U.S.A. at 6 pm. It includes a Turkey buffet with all of the trimmings and the show “Ring of Fire” featuring the music of Johnny Cash. For additional information, see

<http://www.turkeyville.com/dinner-theater/dinner-theatre-shows/>

The dinner and show are \$40 per person payable at dinner. Please RSVP Bob Cooley by Sept 1st for a final count. E-mail: [bobmccooley@gmail.com](mailto:bobmccooley@gmail.com) or Phone: (269)963-8486.

Saturday Morning-Omelets in a bag at the pavilion at 9am. \*

Saturday Afternoon-Tour available of the historical Honolulu House \$5 per person.

Saturday Evening-Dinner will be a potluck in the community building at 6 pm. Please bring a dish to pass & plates/service; BBQ pulled pork to be provided.

Sunday Morning-Donuts, coffee, and juice at the pavilion at 8:30 am. \*

\*Turkeyville has a Flea Market and Antique Show on both Saturday and Sunday.

Marshall is a small historical town with many restored sites within one of the nation’s largest historic landmark districts. Other stops like Schuler’s Restaurant & Pub, Dark Horse Brewery and the Honolulu House anchor a vibrant downtown filled with unique shops, restaurants and sycamore-lined streets.

The Honolulu House Museum stands in the heart of Marshall’s National Historic Landmark District and is listed on the Historic American Buildings Survey. The house was built in 1860 by the first U.S. consul to the Sandwich Islands.

The second-largest U.S. Postal Service museum is in Marshall. Its 4,000 artifacts—including uniforms, rural carrier memorabilia, rural post office equipment, automobiles and sleds—are eclipsed only by the collection of the Smithsonian Institution Smithsonian National Postal Museum in Washington D.C. It was established in 1986, and is in the basement of the historical Schragg Marshall post office.

**Appalachian Chapter Fall Rally**  
**October 13-15**  
**American Heritage RV Park, Williamsburg, VA**

The Fall Rally of the Appalachian TrailBlazers Chapter will be held at the **American Heritage RV Park**, Williamsburg VA. the weekend of **October 13-15**. We have 15 sites reserved until **August 30<sup>th</sup>**. There are pictures and descriptions of amenities on the website: [americanheritagervpark.com](http://americanheritagervpark.com).

**They have concrete sites for your camper, a swimming pool, free wi-fi and cable, and much more. Each site has a fire pit and, unless there is a 'burn ban', campfires are permitted at the campsites.**

**There are 2 large group rooms and we have reserved the Colonial Room for the Saturday evening pot-luck dinner and the Sunday morning OJ, pastries and coffee breakfast.**

Make your **reservations with the campground at 1-888-530-2267**. The rates are \$49.00 per day. They will want a one night deposit with your reservation. Be sure to identify yourself as a **TrailManor TrailBlazer** member to qualify for special fee of \$49.00 plus tax for each night. If you want to come early or stay later, let them know when you make the reservation.

After making reservations with the campground, call or email **Lindy Gough (540-337-6126; [m-lgough@hughes.net](mailto:m-lgough@hughes.net)** .

**Williamsburg, Jamestown, & Yorktown comprise America's Historic Triangle.**

There is much more to do and see here than we can cover in this article but here are some 'starters':

**Jamestown** is the site of the first permanent English speaking settlement in America.

At the **Historic Jamestown Visitor Center** a museum features exhibits and a multimedia theater presentation about Jamestown's 92 years as the capital of the Virginia colony. You can walk through the original James Fort site and see reconstructed portions of the palisade walls exactly where they stood 400 years ago. Along the James River, re-creations of the 1607 ships, Susan Constant, Godspeed, and Discovery are moored for visitors to explore.

From 1699 to 1780, **Williamsburg** was the capital of the largest English colony in the New World. Near the end of the Revolutionary War the seat of the government of Virginia was moved to Richmond to be safer and more centrally located.

For nearly 150 years afterward Williamsburg was a quiet college town, home of the **College of William and Mary**. In 1926 the Reverend Dr. W.A.R. Goodwin , rector of Bruton Parish Church, and Philanthropist John D. Rockefeller Jr. began a project of preserving the city's historic buildings. This progressed and led to the present **Colonial Williamsburg**.

Go to [colonialwilliamsburg.com](http://colonialwilliamsburg.com) to access sites that will lead you to information about places to go and things to see.

**Historic Yorktown**

This is the site of the last major battle of the **Revolutionary war**. The **Yorktown Victory Center** has been renovated and renamed "**American Revolution Museum at Yorktown**

The grand reopening was held March 23 thru April 4, 2017.

Go to <http://www.historyisfun.org/yorktown-victory-center/new-yorktown-museum/> for the latest information.

Mile High Trailblazers 2017 Schedule  
Gary Heckmann, Camping Coordinator

2017 RALLY SCHEDULE

RALLY DATE	RESERVE DATE	HOSTS	RALLY LOCATION	NOTES
APRIL 14 & 15	14-Apr-16	Doc Weinacht & Renee Peterson <a href="mailto:plweinacht@msn.com">plweinacht@msn.com</a>	<b>JACKSON LAKE STATE PARK*</b> Pelican Loop NW. of Ft. Morgan <a href="http://cpw.state.co.us/placestogo/parks/JacksonLa">cpw.state.co.us/placestogo/parks/JacksonLa</a>	<a href="http://reserveamerica.com">reserveamerica.com</a> NOTE: reserve on time to be sure of a site in the "LOOP"
MAY 5 & 6	1-Mar-17	Jim and JoDee Beethe <a href="mailto:jo.beethe@gmail.com">jo.beethe@gmail.com</a>	<b>Pueblo South KOA</b> South of Pueblo <a href="http://koa.com/campgrounds/pueblo-south/">koa.com/campgrounds/pueblo-south/</a>	South of Pueblo <b>Send reservation request</b> to Jim and JoDee Beethe
JUNE 9 & 10	9-Dec-16	Marc and Linda Bougeant <a href="mailto:maboug@hotmail.com">maboug@hotmail.com</a>	<b>Navajo State Park</b> <a href="http://cpw.state.co.us/placestogo/parks/Navajo">cpw.state.co.us/placestogo/parks/Navajo</a> Rosa Campground which has full hookups	South of Pueblo <b>Send reservation request</b> to Jim and JoDee Beethe
JULY 14 & 15	12-Jan-17	Gary and Eileen Mealzer <a href="mailto:gmaelzer43@gmail.com">gmaelzer43@gmail.com</a> Mike and Kathy Serpan <a href="mailto:gmserpan@msn.com">gmserpan@msn.com</a>	<b>Steamboat Lake State Park</b> Steamboat <a href="http://state.co.us/placestogo/parks/Steamboat/">state.co.us/placestogo/parks/Steamboat/</a> <b>Dutch Hill Wheeler Electric Sites</b>	South of Pueblo <b>Send reservation request</b> to be sure of a site in the "LOOP"
AUGUST 11 & 12	1-Jun-17	Tom Shaw <a href="mailto:trshaw28@gmail.com">trshaw28@gmail.com</a> Rich and Dot Barwinski <a href="mailto:richard.barwinski@gmail.com">richard.barwinski@gmail.com</a>	<b>South Fork Campground</b> South Fork <a href="http://www.southforkcampground.com/">www.southforkcampground.com/</a>	South Fork <b>Call to reserve site</b> 719.873.5500
SEPTEMBER 8 & 9	10-Mar-17	Larry and Paula Lagerstrom <a href="mailto:larrypaulalag@msn.com">larrypaulalag@msn.com</a> Sam and Betty Yoshihara <a href="mailto:samyoshihara6@qg.com">samyoshihara6@qg.com</a>	<b>Mueller SP</b> Grouse Mtn. loop sites 91 - 132 Near Divide <a href="http://cpw.state.co.us/placestogo/parks/Mueller">cpw.state.co.us/placestogo/parks/Mueller</a>	South Fork <b>Call to reserve site</b> 719.873.5500
OCTOBER 13 & 14	1-Aug-17	Warren Luckow and Sandy Thimmiig <a href="mailto:wiluckow@mindspring.com">wiluckow@mindspring.com</a>	<b>Snowy Peaks</b> Buena Vista <a href="http://www.snowypeaksrvpark.com/">http://www.snowypeaksrvpark.com/</a>	Buena Vista <b>Call to reserve site</b> (719) 395-8481

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# Membership Information

Send any changes of your membership information to **Veronica Zieminski, 2881 Capewood Ln, San Jose CA 95132**. All future issues of **The Tidings** will be distributed via E-mail. Be sure to keep us advised of any changes to your e-mail address. If you want to receive paper copies of **The Tidings**, send your request to **Veronica at vhz627@hotmail.com** or at the address above.

Here are some answers to Frequently Asked Questions about your membership.

- Q. When do I need to pay dues and how much are they?  
A. \$15.00 should be paid by September 30. The address label on **The Tidings** will show what year is due. If your label shows 9/14, your membership needs to be renewed. To continue your membership, send your check, payable in US funds, to the Membership Coordinator. If you wish to pay for more than one year, just include \$15.00 for each year.
- Q. Where do I send the check?  
A. **Veronica Zieminski, 2881 Capewood Ln, San Jose CA 95132**. Checks should be made payable to TRAILMANOR TRAILBLAZERS.
- Q. Why did I not get a bill?  
A. Bills are not mailed. There is a notice in the May **TIDINGS** each year and a reminder in the September **TIDINGS** and in the directory. In addition, email notices are sent to members with email addresses on file.
- Q. What if I forget to send the check?  
A. According to the constitution, reminders will be mailed the first of January. Anyone not paying by Feb. 28 will be dropped.
- Q. Why hasn't my check cleared my bank? I mailed it several weeks ago!  
A. (Now that we have our accounts in a bank that has offices in several states, this problem will be minimized.)
- Q. What if I decide to mail my check after March 1?  
A. You can be reinstated by mailing a check for \$15.00 to the address above.
- Q. Why am I not getting **The Tidings**?  
A. You moved or had an address change. The postal service will not forward bulk mail. Any address changes should be sent to the address above as soon as possible or e-mailed to [tmtrailblazermc@yahoo.com](mailto:tmtrailblazermc@yahoo.com). The Tidings mailings are in January, May, and September. If you will be at an alternate address at these times, send your alternate address to the Membership Coordinator at least 30 days ahead so we can have the Tidings sent there. Send the Membership Renewal Form with your check.

## MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM

Please enclose \$15.00 in US funds for each year of renewal. Checks for an improper amount will be returned to the sender. Make checks payable to TrailManor TrailBlazers.

Mail to: **Veronica Zieminski, 2881 Capewood Ln, San Jose CA 95132**

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Please send all information listed the form, so we can confirm that the information we have in our records is current.