

# THE FLEETWOOD FLYER



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## PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

by Terry Sorensen  
International President  
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Good day Fleetwooders:  
Looking back over my 10+ years in the club I can honestly say "I've had a great time except that fun, food and fellowship has added too many inches around my midsection". How could I even think of dropping my membership when, any time I wish, I can turn to my state unit or friends through out the club during rallies or rendezvous' and, at the very least, associate with folks with similar interests. For those of you that didn't know, there is in place what is considered a top notch committee chaired by Roy Manor that is working on making things simpler and hopefully more modern. You've been vocal on how far behind we are

so please keep an open mind. Some of us aren't used to dealing with radical changes except to criticize that which we don't understand. So as changes are introduced please be objective and forward thinking. If you don't understand ask; we're an open book.

Those of you willing and able to download The Fleetwood Flyer and fully appreciate your club are true assets. I guess it's safe to say "you are our future" so please hang in there with the rest of us. This day and age the computer is the source of vast amounts of data. We are finally catching up with everyone else.

## "KICK UP YOUR HEELS IN MISSOURI"



Fleetwood Travelcade  
Club Winter Rendezvous  
April 22-28, 2008  
Bob & Gerry Lorenz &  
MO Unit - Directors

This is the first rendezvous of the year where we hold our annual meeting and we are striving for a record turnout. You will find the Pre-Registration Form on this website under National Functions and Rendezvous. There is also a tentative schedule to assist you in signing up for tours and activities. Remember Missouri is beautiful in April so please fill out the Pre-Registration Form, send it in and plan to see all of your old and new friends in Columbia, MO.

## MESSAGE FROM THE FINANCIAL PLAN ADMINISTRATOR

by Pat Bradford  
PBrad65024@aol.com

Remember it is time to pay your International Dues for 2008 if you haven't done so. Dues are \$35.00 to be remitted to: Billing Officer of Fleetwood Travelcade Club, P.O. Box 43886, Birmingham, AL 35243. It is not too early to make your list of people you are going to contact and invite to the Winter Rendezvous in Columbia, MO April 22-28, 2008. The challenge is to bring along three

units. They can be old or new members or interested Fleetwood Product owners. I am sure it will be a time filled with lots of FUN, FOOD and FELLOWSHIP. Hope to see you in MO. Watch for more details on the Web Site.

Hope your Thanksgiving was a blessed one and have a Merry Christmas.

## AMATEUR RADIO CLASS OFFERED AT RENDEZVOUS

This is an ideal opportunity to obtain your Amateur Radio operators license. Classes are every morning for five days. You will study, receive special hands on instructions and take the exam administered by Radio Club's Licensed Volunteer Examiners.

Your new Amateur Radio license allows you to converse with other "Hams" around the world, as well as helping your community with

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**REMINDER: YEAR AWARDS**

If you think you are eligible for a 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40 or 45 year award, you must fill out a request form and send it in between October 1 and December 31 to FTC, Executive Secretary, Carol Davis 43597 Jared Ln., Hemet, CA 92544. If you have questions regarding eligibility, send me an email or call me at (951) 927-5902 and I will let you know. The year that you joined is counted and also the year you are currently paying for.

The awards are given out at the Winter Rendezvous each year or mailed to you after the rendezvous if you do not attend.

The form is found on page 91 of the directory and you can print out only that page or you may use the one provided here. Be sure to indicate if you want a pin or a plastic bar.

**5 - 10 - 15 - 20 - 25 - 30 - 35 - 40 YEAR AWARD****APPLY BETWEEN OCTOBER 1 AND DECEMBER 31**

**to receive your award at the Winter Rendezvous. Awards not received at the Winter Rendezvous will be mailed after the rendezvous.**

**To apply, fill out this form and mail to: Carol Davis  
Executive Secretary, 43597 Jared Lane, Hemet, CA 92544. You will receive the award for which you applied unless otherwise notified.**

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

STATE UNIT \_\_\_\_\_ Membership # \_\_\_\_\_

Eligible for: 5\_\_10\_\_15\_\_20\_\_25\_\_30\_\_35\_\_40\_\_45\_\_

I wish to receive either: \_\_\_\_\_ plastic bar or \_\_\_\_\_ pin

(If neither of the above is checked, you will receive plastic bars)

Will receive at Winter Rendezvous \_\_\_\_\_ Please Mail \_\_\_\_\_

## **GREECE & THE GREEK ISLANDS**

**May 2009**

### **Harry & Betty Peterson Travelcade Leaders**

We are continuing to make arrangements for our exciting 15 day travelcade. We will spend the first week touring Athens (including the Acropolis, the Olympic stadium, and much more) and Delphi (location of the Corinthian Valley and the Temple of Apollo, etc). Then we board our motor-cruising yacht for a week's cruise on the calm Aegean Sea to visit five islands (Delos, Mykonos, Patmos, Santorini and Paros) and Ephesus (Kusadasi) Turkey. An optional 3 night extension is available to the island of Crete in the Mediterranean Sea. We will fly to this island. All 24 cabins on our cruise ship are located on the outside of the ship and have a private bathroom with shower, mini-fridge, satellite TV, telephone, and air-conditioning. The food features a mix of continental and traditional Greek dishes. Wine is served daily with lunch and dinner while aboard the ship.

Please visit our Club web site for previous articles that cover more details of this wonderful tour. Vantage Deluxe Travel will be the agent for our travelcade as they have given us such wonderful tours in the past few years. They are NOW accepting reservations for specific cabins. The prices we quoted in previous articles were based on the information we had at the time, but they were priced for the off season, not for mid May when we plan to travel. The weather should be warmer, in the 70s, in mid May. Mid May 2008 prices begin at \$4815, per person, for the standard outside cabin and include air fare from most east coast cities. The cost of the extension to Crete is priced at \$799 per person. You need to make your reservation NOW, to reserve the lower price. A \$500 registration fee, per person, is required to reserve your cabin. Since this is a pending reservation, due to the fact final prices and dates will not be available until spring 2008, your \$500 will be fully refundable up until Vantage notifies you of the final 2009 prices. Please review our last article (# 3, on the web site) for specifics on each class of cabins on the ship.

To register and select your cabin location, please call our group coordinator at Vantage Travel, Ruthann Famolare, at 1-800-994-6321, ext. 6438. Be sure you tell her you are with the Fleetwood Travelcade Club, going to Greece in May 2009. We would like you to notify us also, when you have made your reservations. Our cell phone is (321) 432-9038, or e-mail us at hpeterson500@wmconnect.com. Also feel free to phone us with any questions or concerns you may have, especially if you do not use a computer and are unable to view the past articles. We hope you are getting as excited as we are for this wonderful cultural experience, and will join us on this travelcade.

**CALENDAR****FIRST MONDAY****ALABAMA**

Decatur Area Dinner, Barnhills on Beltline Rd. at Danville Rd. 6:00 pm

**WASHINGTON**

North-end Puget Sound Fleetwood Lunch Bunch, Golden Corral, 1065 State St., Marysville, 11:30 AM Except May, Sept. & Dec.

**FIRST WEDNESDAY****OREGON**

Oregon Unit Luncheon, 11:30 am Schroeder's Guest House. Salem, OR (New place). Take I-5 to exit 258 and go E approximately 3/4 mile on Hwy 99. Contact Norma Edwards (541) 767-0422.

**TEXAS**

Rio Grande Valley Group Luncheon, Country Pancake House, on the west access road for 281, just 1/2 block south of Nolana, Pharr. 11:30 AM, (Nov.-Mar.)

**FIRST THURSDAY****TEXAS**

Southeast Texas Group Luncheon, Esther's Cajun Seafood, under the "Rainbow Bridge" over the Neches River, Hwy 87, 73 Port Arthur, TX side. 11:30 AM

**FIRST SATURDAY****ARIZONA**

Phoenix Luncheon 1PM Pebble Creek Clubhouse, Contact Theresa Turpin for location directions at (623) 536-1436 or cell phone (818) 203-7804 or jtturpin@aol.com.

**MICHIGAN**

Kalamazoo Area Luncheon, Big T Restaurant, I-94 W. to Exit 60, go S. to Lawton, 4 mi. on the right, downtown Lawton, 2PM. (Starting 1st Saturday in May)

**TEXAS**

Alamo Group Luncheon, (Formerly Ryans) NOW Fire Mountain, South of Mill Plaza Mall, Exit 189, New Braunfels, noon. (Come early 11:30 for fellowship)

**SECOND MONDAY****OKLAHOMA**

Eastern Group Luncheon, Delta Cafe, 3330 S Peoria, Tulsa, OK, 1:00 PM

**TEXAS**

Hill Country Luncheon, Inn of the Hills, Kerrville, 11:30 AM.

**TEXAS**

Houston Group Luncheon, Golden Corral, 11555 West Airport Blvd., Stafford, (281)2407316 11 AM

**SECOND TUESDAY****FLORIDA**

Central Florida Luncheon, Golden Corral, 4705 N. US Hwy 98, Lakeland, FL 11:30 AM (Dec thru Mar)

Contact Pat Bradford #16065 (863) 859-3339

**SECOND WEDNESDAY****ARIZONA**

Yuma area luncheon, Tylers Taste of Texas (**Name Change "Daybreak" same location**), 10800 North Frontage Rd., Yuma AZ. 11:30 AM (Oct-Mar). Contact Mary Plunkett (928)342-1827

**MISSOURI**

Monthly luncheon, Home Town Buffet 1282 Old Orchard Center Manchester, MO at 1PM

**TEXAS**

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**SECOND THURSDAY****MICHIGAN**

Rainbow Grill on 32<sup>nd</sup> Street, Hudsonville, MI 6:30 PM. (except Jan, Feb, Mar), Contact Leon & Adrianna Scholten #12526 MI.

**SECOND SATURDAY****CALIFORNIA**

Inland Empire Luncheon, Coco's in Moreno Valley, 24949 Sunnymead, corner of Sunnymead & Perris Ave. 1:00 pm. Contact Gale Hubert (951)582-9616 or Dorothy Ansevics (951)683-5062.

**TEXAS**

Dallas/Ft Worth Group, Spring Creek Bar-B-Q, 1509 Airport Freeway, Bedford, TX (N side of Airport Fwy (Hwy 183) at Forest Ridge exit.) 11:30 AM

**IOWA**

Ryan's Family Steakhouse on 86<sup>th</sup> Street, Des Moines, Iowa 12:30

**THIRD TUESDAY****WASHINGTON**

South-end Luncheon, Old Country Buffet, 1816 S. 320th St., Federal Way, WA. (Across from Sea Tac Mall) 11:30 AM, Except May, Sept & Dec.

**THIRD WEDNESDAY****ARIZONA**

Tucson Area Luncheon, Beer Bottoms Bistro at Beaudry RV Resort 5151 South Country Club Rd., Tucson, AZ 85706, 11:30 AM (Nov.-Apr.) Jack Ernest (520)648-3836 djernest@juno.com

**TEXAS**

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**THIRD SATURDAY****NEBRASKA**

Lunch, Old Country Buffet, 14525 W Center Rd. Omaha, NE, 11:30 AM

**FOURTH MONDAY****ARIZONA**

Phoenix/Mesa Tempe dinner, Old Country Buffet, Mesa, 6:30 PM, Jan Wilton (480)820-5772, (Oct to May)

**FOURTH WEDNESDAY****MICHIGAN**

Red Knapp's, Clarkston, MI.

**TEXAS**

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**FOURTH FRIDAY****TEXAS**

Heart of Texas, Lodge Restaurant, Hilltop Lakes TX 11:00 AM

**FIFTH WEDNESDAY****TEXAS**

Rio Grande Valley Group Luncheon, Country Pancake House, on the west access road for 281 just 1/2 block S. of Nolana, Pharr. 11:30 AM, (Nov-Mar)

**ACTIVITIES****2008****APRIL**

**7-12, TEXAS SPRING RALLY.** Sundown Ranch RV Park, Sanger, TX. Contact Bill Hale.

**MAY**

**12-19, OHIO SPRING RALLY.** Medina County Fairgrounds. Planning is underway. Keep watching for details. Contact Marilyn Zakrajsek (330) 239-2156 or r.zakrajsek@att.net.

**14-18, PENNSYLVANIA SPRING BUDDY RALLY.** Mountain Creek Campground, Gardners, PA. Wagonmasters: Jane & Billy Ray Turner (717) 249-7219

**15-18, WASHINGTON SPRING BUDDY RALLY.** BCRV Park, Burnaby, BC. You will need a passport in order to re-enter the US. Contact Ken Abramson (604) 852-6597 or comquot@shaw.ca.

**30-JUNE 3, CALIFORNIA SPRING RALLY.** Napa County Fairgrounds, Calistoga, CA. Contact Mike Sexton (530) 671-0164 or msexton45@comcast.net.

**JUNE**

**2-5, WEST CENTRAL REGION ROUNDUP/IA/NE SPRING RALLY.** Mt. Pleasant, IA. Details to follow. Contact Joyce Wilson (563) 649-2235.

**SEPTEMBER**

**3-7, PENNSYLVANIA FALL BUDDY RALLY.** Sea Pirate Campground, West Creek, NJ. Wagonmasters: Skrables (609) 660-8846

**OCTOBER**

**24-28, CALIFORNIA FALL RALLY.** Borrego Springs, CA. Contact Mike Sexton, (530) 671-0164 or msexton45@comcast.net.

**RM UNIT ROLLING  
BUDDY RALLY  
Begins June 14, 2008**

We'd like to invite everyone to our Spring Buddy Rally, where we will roll our trailers and motorhomes to various Wild West towns with many attractions. We will begin in the colorful town of Cody, WY on June 14th, staying 4 nights. Here we will attend a rodeo, a Wild West shootout, tour the Buffalo Bill Museum, a steak house with room for dancing, and much more. We have reserved space at the Ponderosa Campground, where each person/couple will need to make their own reservation. Please send a check for \$35.00 to reserve your site (regardless of the type of site you may choose). Send along a note stating you are with the Fleetwood Travelcade Club and include the length of your rig, number of slide outs, and if you need 30 or 50 amps. You can also select a back-in (\$31/ngt) or a pull through site, which is \$34. They will send a confirmation, so if you have e-mail, please include your e-mail address. Mail your check and note to: Ponderosa Campground, P.O. Box 1477, Cody, WY 82414. They have a web site to learn more about the area.

We hope you will continue to travel with us through Yellowstone National Park for our next stop of 3 nights in West Yellowstone, MT. Here we will visit the Grizzly and Wolf Discovery Center, attend an IMAX theater, and the Playmill Theater. Of course you can return to both Yellowstone and Grand Teton Nat'l Parks for more adventures. Again, you must make your own reservations; we will be staying at the Rustic Wagon RV Campground. If you have computer capability please go to their web site and fill out their registration form. Be sure to state you will be with the Fleetwood Travelcade Group, RM Unit, and will be arriving on June 18, leaving on June 21, 2008. If you do not have computer capability please call us and we will make the reservation for you. (They are closed for the winter and will not be an-

swering the phone at the campground.) You will receive a confirmation from the manager, Dorit@wyellowstone.com. You do not need to send a check at this time. Hopefully, you will want to continue to our next location, but that is your decision. We will head north into MT following the Madison River for a stop at Quake Lake Visitors Center, where we will learn about the earthquake that slid half of the mountain into the valley damming off the river. Our next stop will be in Ennis, MT, for 3 nights. This campground does not need reservations at this time. While in Ennis we will visit two gold mining ghost towns that have many authentic buildings plus a melodrama and cabaret show nightly. Harry is willing to take any folks trout fishing on the world famous Madison River, if interested. Much to do; much to see in beautiful MT, the state where we were raised.

For those still wanting more, we will move to the state capital city of Helena, MT for another 3 day stay. Here we will take a tour train to see "Last Chance Gulch" another former gold mining area, the state Capitol, and the beautiful St. Helena Cathedral. We also will take a boat tour to the Gates of the Mountains through the spectacular Missouri River Canyon. No need to make reservations at the campground, at this time.

If you still have time for more touring we will be moving on to Great Falls, our home, which has many more attractions. You can stay for one or more stops along our route; your decision. You will need to make reservations in Cody, WY and West Yellowstone, MT as soon as possible, as these are resort areas and spaces cannot be held very long. We hope you will join us on this Wild West adventure. Remember, this is a buddy rally, so we invite Fleetwood members from other units and everyone's family or friends. Please let us know when you have registered.

Email hpeter500@wmconnect.com. or call (321) 432-9038 if you have questions. Harry & Betty Peterson

**TRAVELCADES****AN AUSSIE ADVENTURE  
2008****March 2-April 2, 2008****Leaders:  
Burdell & Mable Ann  
Borchardt****Registration Fee  
\$55 per person  
Limit 24 Units**(Watch for Registration  
Information)**A TASTE OF BIG BEND  
2008****October 12-26, 2008****Leaders:  
Harry & Flo Brennen****GREECE & THE GREEK  
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Harry & Betty Peterson**(Further information  
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Lorenz and the MO Unit**OCTOBER 6-12 FALL**Braunig Lake RV Resort,  
Elmondorf, (San Antonio) TX, Ivan  
& Nell Alspaw**2009****APRIL 29-MAY 5 WINTER**Beth Page Camp - Resort, Urbanna,  
VA, Pete & Alice Pizzano**RADIO CLASS CONT'D FROM  
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Pre-Registration form on this  
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