



## January 2025 NEWSLETTER

Outstanding Chapter for  
2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024

### Arizona Tumbleweed 2025 Muster Schedule:

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January 17<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup>-Muster  
River Sands RV Resort  
49960 Ehrenberg Poston Hwy  
Ehrenberg, AZ 928-255-5208

February 23<sup>rd</sup>-26<sup>th</sup>-Muster  
Casino Del Sol  
5655 Valencia Road  
Tucson, AZ 855-765-7829

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### Words from our President,

#### Rich Caruso

Dear S\*M\*A\*R\*T\* Arizona Tumbleweeds members, Holly and I hope that all of you have a Wonderful and Merry Christmas. We had 23 of our members at our Holiday luncheon. It was held at the Links Neighborhood Grill in Peoria. Good food and a great time was had by all who attended. At our luncheon, our chapter gave a check for a donation of \$250.00 to Master Sgt Holmes and Sgt Douglas from Luke AFB for Operation Warm Heart, a nonprofit program that is run by First Sergeants who help their airman and families in need at Luke AFB.

We look forward to seeing most of you at the January Muster at the River Sands RV Resort in Ehrenberg. The February Muster will be

held at the Casino Del Sol RV Resort in Tucson.

**Remember those of you that haven't paid your dues for 2025, can pay by check the \$15.00 either by mail or at the January Muster. Please make the check out to AZ Tumbleweeds and mail it to me, Rich Caruso at PO Box 26382 Prescott Valley, AZ 86312.**

Holly and I wish all our members a great and prosperous New Year and safe travels throughout the year.

Rich

**Remember To Sign Up For All National and Chapter Musters On The S\*M\*A\*R\*T Website**  
[smartrving.org](http://smartrving.org)

**2025 Western Regional Muster Golden Gate Chapter**  
April 2nd – 5<sup>th</sup>

Orange Grove RV Park  
Bakersfield, CA

Hosted by the Golden Gate Chapter  
This is from Vicki Utt:

I have made tentative reservations for the 2025 Western Regional at the Orange Grove RV Park in Bakersfield, starting Wed 4/2 and departing Sun 4/6. That gives those departing Mexico 2 & 1/2 days as we depart Puerto Penasco on Monday 3/31.

I can only take 20 reservations and all of those will need to pay me the 1st night deposit along with contact and rig info. I have to pay the park the deposits by March 1st - no refunds after that. Anyone wanting to reserve after I have 20, or after 3/1, will have to make their own reservation and pay the non-discounted nightly fee.

Let me know if you have any questions.

Vicki Utt, 661-203-1965

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## SMART Caravans 2025

### **SMART Caribbean Cruise**

Feb 8 – 17

### **Louisiana Food and Music**

March 25 – April 25<sup>th</sup>

### **Venice of America**

May 23 – 30<sup>th</sup>

### **Planes, Trains, Automobiles and Ships**

June 16<sup>th</sup> - July 31<sup>st</sup>

### **Alaska Bound Caravan**

July 1 – Sept 2<sup>nd</sup>

### **SMART Nationals 2025**

Sept 15-19 Mineola, TX

### **Touring Texas Together**

Sept 20 – Oct 15<sup>th</sup>

Find all the information about musters and caravans at the SMART website:

[www.smartrving.org](http://www.smartrving.org)

Western Region





