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President Jan Lemaire's Message: We have had a wonderful beginning to the 2023 camping season! We just wrapped up the pre-muster for the South Central Regional Muster and on the heels of that we hosted the South Central Regional Muster at Anchors Aweigh RV Resort in Foley, AL. I have to say that it was a big success. As the first SCR Muster since 2019 and more than 60% of the host chapter as first timers we were in uncharted territory. Everyone rose to the occasion and exceeded my expectations. Our reviews were very positive and spoke to the efforts of everyone involved. **Thank you to ALL who worked so hard to make it happen.** I'm so grateful for each and every one of you. You make our organization a welcoming place to be (a comment I heard more than a few times at Regional). I wouldn't do this if you were not a part of us. Come join us when you can.

Our upcoming summer lunches will probably begin in June—more on that from Charley. Look for his email on the subject.

Jan Lemaire

Newsletter Editor Message: Thank you for the pictures I received taken by some of you to make this newsletter occur. Since this was a pre-muster with a minimum agenda and activities, very few pictures were taken, but I hope you enjoy what we do have.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Anita James reported a current balance as of April 30 to be \$1185.72. The 50/50 raffle and silent auction monies for March were not given to Anita until this muster, so the amount of \$243 for our charity of choice, Fisher House, is not reflected in the current balance. Also, \$130 from our Sunday night 50/50 raffle was collected for Fisher House.

Health and Wellness Update of MS Magnolia Members

Lee and Irene Fontenot are making arrangements to move into an assisted living home. According to Lee they do not plan to sell their RV yet.

Warren Kelly has been traveling with his companion Kathryn and they were not able to attend the muster because of prior commitments to visit Kathryn's relatives.

Frank and Pauline Krenkel have been doing some traveling. Frank unfortunately fell backwards off some steps and had to be transported to ER with cuts, bumps and bruises, but he recovered enough to be at the pre-muster for a few days before they went to an FMCA rally in Gulf Shores.

Denny and Ann Olvany are visiting relatives after the SC Regional Muster finished for a much-needed rest.

James and Gene Stubbs are back on the road with their repaired RV. They attended their 50th anniversary of Alcorn University attendance which occurred at the same time as our muster.

Juanita Glazier celebrated her 89th birthday with the Magnolias before the SC Regional officially began. On the way to Foley, Juanita and Bob had some RV mishaps and will be putting the RV into a repair shop as soon as they return home from Foley.

John and Nancy Arce's Motorhome was hit by a massive electrical surge during a bad thunderstorm Saturday before SC Regional. Nancy came and stayed at a Foley hotel to complete her responsibilities for SC Regional while John stayed home to do all that was necessary to get the MH repaired and back on the road. They learned that they also lost some appliances in their home, including two TVs to the electrical surge.

Bill and Sara Esterly came and stayed in a hotel for several days for the muster. They are no longer RVing because of Bill's loss of vision due to Macular Degeneration. Sara is still being treated for her cancer and did not always feel well enough to always participate during the muster. However, she did make it to the famous Lambert's for their thrown rolls.

Mary Ferguson was finally able to join us at this muster after several years of not being able to come. She stayed with Gloria in a locally owned lodge. Many card players were excited to buy her hand made wood products that she brought with her. They loved her peanut brittle also.

Dianne LeBlanc's right eye developed an irritation that created a lot of discomfort for her during the musters.

Ron Erieg while a new member of the MS, is also a charter member of the American Bandstand!

Musters of the MS Magnolias

Oct 15-20, 2023 at Parker's Lending RV Park in Woolmarket, MS.(Biloxi) Hosts Bob and Juanita Glazier are requesting lots of help for this Halloween muster. Be sure to register on chapter website. Fee is \$20/pp.

Dec 3-7, 2023 with departure on Dec 8. Christmas Muster at Sun Roamers RV Park and Resort, Picayune, MS: Hosts are Bob and Judy Theriot with cohosts Jan and Dave Lemaire for this Christmas Muster with a fee of \$20/pp. We will have our Dirty Santa Game as usual. Check out the website for more info and registration forms.

Apr 8-12, 2024 at Hollywood Casino RV Park in Bay St. Louis, MS. It is a no-host and no-muster fees muster. We cannot make the reservations until six months before the muster because of the Casino Management policy, so the muster's dates could possibly change.

February or May, 2024 Muster TBA. Muster Master Joe Battaglia will be contacting various campgrounds to determine where and when the muster will occur and then he will announce the future plans. The Magnolias voted that this muster will be free (no registration fee and costs will be paid by Chapter Treasury).

Signage in our RV Park and Foley area.



Left: MS Magnolias BOD Meeting. Right: MS Magnolias starting business meeting.



Left: Potential new MS Magnolias, Connie and Bill Lackey from Florida. Right: Members Phil and Mary Coward finally attending their first MS Magnolias meeting.





Two more potential new MS Magnolias members are Jim Fuhrman and Ben Lane. They both live in Alabama. Jim is already a SMART member and Ben along with his wife Tee plan to join SMART and the MS Magnolias.

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Left: Jan and Dave Lemaire's Rig. Right: Juanita Glazier and Shelly Battaglia, are 50/50 winners.



Left: That SkipBo Game is always being played somewhere Right: Ken and Kitty Buckner.



Left: Bob and Elaine Comeaux.

Right: Patsy and Ron Erieg.



Left: Nita and Phil Taylor

Right: Mary Ferguson, Juanita and Bob Glazier.



Left: Judy Theriot

Right: Bob Theriot



This delicious recipe was brought to the muster by Nancy Arce.

Marinated Tomatoes



- 1 Cup Canola Oil
- ¼ Cups Balsamic Vinegar
- 4 Tablespoons Sugar
- 1 tsp Salt
- Ground Pepper
- 3 Whole Green Onion Diced
- ¼ Cup Fresh Parsley, chopped
- 18 Basil leaves sliced
- ¼ tsp Ground Thyme
- 2 Cloves minced Garlic
- 2 lbs tomatoes (grape, cherry) sliced

Combine all of the ingredients except tomatoes in a large bowl. Wisk to combine then add the tomatoes.

Allow to marinate for at least 3-4 Hours. Serve on toasted baguettes