

WHITE SANDS PANHANDLERS Chapter Meeting Minutes/Newsletter

SEPTEMBER 2024 CHAPTER MEETING MINUTES

INTRODUCTION

An informal Chapter Meeting was held on September 5th during the September Chow Call at Mugshots Bat & Grill.

The meeting was called to order by President Paul Moniz, Margie Moniz gave the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

The officers present were Paul Moniz, President; Chuck Kuzma, Secretary; Carol Kuzma Treasurer.

Members present were Lisa Lyons, Susan Posey, Gerri Pence and Mike & Cheryl Schmitz, and Bob Zeller.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

The reading of the minutes of the March 2024 Chapter Meeting were waived. A motion to accept the minutes was made and seconded. The motion carried and the minutes were accepted.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's report was provided by Carol Kuzma, Treasurer.

Beginning Balance as of May1, 2024	\$1,74.92
Expenses May muster chapter food expense \$ 83.00 May muster 50/50 MS Magnolias share \$ 72.00. \$155 50/50 reduced by \$83 for food expense	
Total Expenses	<u>\$ 155.00</u>
Income Dues \$ 20.00 May muster 50/50 MS Magnolias share \$ 155.00 May muster 50/50 Chapter share \$ 155.00	
Total Income Ending Balance as of March 1, 2024	\$ 330.00 \$1,349.92

SECRETARY'S REPORT – No report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Sunshine Committee: Carol Kuzma asked that anyone who knows of a member, family member or friend that needs to receive a sympathy, get well, thinking of you/missing you card or greeting, please contact Carol directly with the information. If the person is not listed on our chapter roster, please include a mailing address. Contact her at at ckuzma116@cox.net 850 217-2586. **HELP NEEDED** - The chapter is also looking for someone to step up and take on the job of Sunshine Committee Chair. The job requires minimal time, perhaps mailing 1 or 2 cards a month, and supplies such as stamps and cards are paid for by the chapter. **PLEASE CONSIDER THIS**.

Survivor Assistance Program Chair, Mike Schmitz briefed that the Survivor Assistance Program was briefed at the May Muster and he will make a presentations at Regional and National Musters. Information on the program is also available on the SMART website,

<u>www.smartrving.com</u>. Mike can be contacted at <u>amimjs@yahoo.com</u> or 850 572-3370 If immediate assistance is needed.

Muster Committee. The Chapter Muster Master, Paul Moniz, briefed on the newest Chapter Activity Schedule and that these and any additional changes will be placed in the Activity Schedule and posted online and emailed as soon as they are finalized.

OLD BUSINESS – No Report.

NEW BUSINESS – No report

CLOSING

Paul Moniz thanked everyone for coming and hopes to see everyone at the October Chow Call on Thursday, October 10th, 11:00, at Sonny's BBQ at 630 N. Navy Blvd. in Pensacola. This Chow Call replaces the cancelled October Muster.

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made and seconded. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned.

SEPTEMBER 2024 CHAPTER NEWSLETTER

- 1. The August Chapter Muster was held at Magnolia Springs Golf & RV Hideaway in Foley AL. No Chapter Meeting was held. The muster was attended by Leroy & Shelene Armacost, Lisa Lyons, Paul & Margie Moniz, Susan Posey and Bob Zeller. Chuck & Carol Kuzma visited on Wednesday. Because of limited facilities, a Potluck dinner was held on Wednesday. Appreciation was expressed to those that attended.
- 2. Because of the low response to an August Muster, no musters will be scheduled in August.
- 3. The September Muster at All About Relaxing RV Park has been cancelled as the park cannot hold sites for the chapter as they would have to turn away long-term Snow-bird campers. An October Chow Call will be held on Thursday, October 10th, 11:00, at Sonny's BBQ at 630 N. Navy Blvd. in Pensacola. This Chow Call replaces the cancelled October Muster.
- 4. The March 2025 Chapter Muster at Blue Angel RV Park on Pensacola NAS was cancelled as there are no full hook-ups, only water & electric.
- 5. The March Muster will be March 4-6, departing on March 7. Early arrival March 3. The location will be Outback Springs RV Resort, 90 Son-In-Law Rd., Bonifay, FL. From I-10, Exit 112, FL Hwy 79, North to Son-In-Law Rd. is next to Waffle House. Turn right and the park is on the left. Call 850 258-3110 for Reservations. Site Fee is \$50.72 tax incl. Cabins are \$100 per night, 2 night minimum with a \$50 cleaning fee. There is a pool & hot tub, clubhouse and other amenities. A Host/Co-Host will be needed for this Muster
- 6. The October Muster will be at new location. The muster will be October 7-9, departing on September 10. Early arrival September 6. Azalea Acres RV Park, 27450 Glass Rd., Robertsdale, AL 36567. 251 504-2275, http://www.azaleaacresrvpark.com/. The park has full hook-ups, pull through sites and a Club house. Site rates \$58.00, tax incl. Call RV park for site reservations, tell them you are with SMART Chapter. Directions-from I-10 East, Exit 53, Wilcox Rd.(first AL exit after leaving FL OR last AL exit prior to entering FL). Turn south on Wilcox Rd., Hwy 64, turn left on Patterson Rd., turn left on Glass Rd., FL. Azalea. Acres RV Park is at end of road. White Sands and Tri-State Panhandlers have both stayed at this park numerous times in the past. The Oasis Travel center has an excellent restaurant located in a railroad car. A Host/Co-Host will be needed.

7. a reminder of the new registration process for Chapter Musters. No longer will registration forms be sent out by email. Registration for Musters must be done online on the chapter website. Each person registering is still required to send the Muster Fee of \$15/person to the Muster Host no later than 2 weeks prior to a muster. The online process provides the Muster Host, the Chapter Muster Master (Paul Moniz) and the Chapter Secretary with immediate feedback on who is registered to come to a muster. This allows the Host to know how many will be attending the muster, how much Muster Fee to expect so that meal planning and food purchasing can be done. This also allows the Chapter Muster Master to determine the number of RV sites to reserve at the muster location, and the Secretary to prepare the necessary paperwork and muster correspondence and details.

Online Muster Registration must be done not later than 2 weeks prior to a muster. This is because most RV parks now require a firm number of attendees 2 weeks prior to a muster to hold sites open and reserve the clubhouse. RV park site reservations must also be made with the RV park at the same time online muster registration is done. This is critical to reserve the correct number of sites. Less than 2 weeks prior, most RV parks will not hold sites open for group reservations.

- 8. Online registration will also be required for all members that plan to attend a Chow Call. This is required to reserve tables and chairs in a separate location or private room in restaurants. Online registration for Chow Calls must be done at least 7 days (1 week) prior to a chow call.
- 9. The Chapter website and schedule will be updated as soon as information is made available. Information on all Musters and Chow Calls will be found on the website and be emailed to all chapter members.

Approved by: Submitted By:

Paul Moniz, President Chuck Kuzma, Secretary White Sands Panhandlers White Sands Panhandlers

On: September 30,2024