

# The Sunspots



## Arizona Sun Chasers Pahrump Rally February 11 -14 2009

Attended by 5 coaches at beautiful  
Terrible's Lakeside Resort in Pahrump  
Nevada



This resort is an RVer's dream, very wide pull thru's, concrete pads, lake with fountains, grass areas and a staff that went out of their way to ensure that we had a great time. The Simmons, Hawes and guests arrived on Tuesday to be there to greet, park and welcome everyone. The weather was cool so happy hour was held in the Simmons' rig.

Bill and Anelise Krause, Bob Lussier and Carolyn Rhea arrived on Wednesday afternoon. Greetings and hugs were exchanged after set ups. Happy hour was held in the banquet room as the weather was still cool. Thursday morning was free to explore the town and the resort. We all met at 1:00pm and car pooled to the Pahrump Valley Winery. The winery grounds are beautiful and we all now understand how a winery can flourish in the high desert as the owner presented an interesting and informational tour. Most of us indulged in the wine and came away with our personal preference of bottles of wine.

Although the weather remained cool, we enjoyed our "Beach Bon Fire Happy Hour" Thursday evening.



As the fire roared we each took a moment to reflect and share our lives and open the door to deeper friendships.

Bob and Gene kept us all laughing with their antics, as did the ducks stealing our snacks. Thursday night was dinner out.

Friday morning our hosts the Simmons' and co-hosts Hawes' prepared a breakfast of eggs, sausage, fruit cup, English muffins, juice and coffee. It was a treat to have a hot breakfast, especially since this was all prepared with no kitchen facilities, electric skillets and grills only.

After our hot breakfast we began our session of games. We first began with "Fact and figures" which was won by Bill and Anelise. Next came the game of "What's my name?" Our guests Ken and Paula won this contest.

We finished our game session with Card Bingo. We had a mix of winners.

Everyone enjoyed themselves.

Breakfast and games lasted till  
11:30am

The night was a "Hosted" happy hour followed by a Mexican Fiesta. Each coach prepared a crock-pot Mexican dish. Anelise out did us all, she prepared sopapillas on the spot Jose' Cuervo would have been proud. Everyone was so in-tune with the spirit of the rally that we spent a great deal of time visiting after dinner.

Our hosts gave everyone Valentine Candies with instructions to give their love a 'KISS'. Bill and Anelise shared the longest kiss of all. Yeah Krause's! Before every happy hour and meal the Pledge of Allegiance was recited and a group hands blessing was given.

Saturday morning our banner came down, "good byes for now" until we meet again" were said and we all departed some going home and some extending their trip in other locations.

All in all an outstanding rally  
PS: Gene has his metal detector and found money in the playground and tried out his fishing rod on the 7 acre lake.

Thank you so much Gene and Sherri and Don and Janice Hawes for hosting this rally, sounds like everyone had a great time. We really do appreciate all our hosts who make these rallies truly

unique and a lot of fun.



This Sun Spots newsletter was written by Gene and Sherri Simmons' thank you for taking the time to share this rally with all the Chasers. Till we meet in Tonopah in April keep a smile on your face and song in your heart spring is finally here.

Your Sun Spots Editors Gene and Sherri Simmons and Mary and Mike Holmen

*From the President's corner:*



Well another successful rally and now start planning for the March and April rallies. Also the May rally is in the planning stages and we should be hearing about it any time now. We had a board meeting on the 19<sup>th</sup> and a new set of guidelines and

standing rules will be coming out after they are approved at the next board meeting. We will be mailing out updates to the club loose leaf to have the new guidelines and rally schedules and board members. We also discussed the problem with people or groups doing activities on their own without inviting the rest of the rally participants. It seems like the host of a rally may need to schedule events for each day and night to keep everyone busy or at least allow them the choice to be busy with the whole group. We must try and do better to involve everyone in all scheduled and non-scheduled events. Have fun in Casa Grande.

**Books on CD Library:**

1. The Righteous Men by Sam Bourne. 5 CDs.
2. 5<sup>th</sup> Horseman by James Patterson. 7 CDs

**CLASSIFIED ADDS:**