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### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE APRIL 2015

#### Hesperia Rally

We all had a great time. But that's not news, Bus Nuts always do. The park was very nice with good wide sites and access to the club house only a very short walk away. The Club House would easily hold 60 or more people with a great kitchen. Between park management and our trail bosses, the room theme was very much St Patrick's Day. We all spent a day going to the Route 66 museum and had our pictures taken as a group by their photographer. The pictures will be posted on the Route 66 web site next month if you'd like to take a look. If you did not go to the rally and are in the area, stop by and check it out. It's an entertaining 2-3 hours of history. They were very nice and had lots of goodies to look at and some sellable items. The museum was followed up by a ride following the written guide of the old Route 66. It made a interesting and fun midday outing. Personally, I would like to thank both Jim and Edda Patterson for their work hosting this rally. They did a great job! After great dinners each evening, we played games and cards and there were lots of prizes

for all. Everyone had lots of fun.

On Saturday night Gene and Jackie LeMeur's guests, Donna and Larry Hammond, decided that they would like to join the Bus Nuts. So, we have new members thanks to the LeMeur's.

If you have not hosted a rally, try it. There are always lots of members anxious to help in any way. You would be surprised how easy hosting can be and best of all, it is very rewarding.

Thanks for your support,  
*Glen Blankenship*

**HESPERIA, CA MARCH 12-15, 2015  
REPORTED BY JIM PATTERSON**

Fourteen motorhomes, with 26 members, attended the March outing at Desert Willows RV Park. After braving heavy winds, down the hill, everyone made it safe to Hesperia. We all went to the Golden Corral, across the street, for dinner after a Happy Hour at the park. The park staff decorated the clubhouse in a St Patrick's theme for our use; and, made a large sign telling the world who we were.



Friday, we started the day with coffee, quiche, toast/muffins, and fruit before heading to the Route 66 Museum in Victorville. The staff at the museum was excited to have us and could not have been more helpful in answering questions and showing us around.





The museum put together a self-guided auto tour of Route 66 which some members took all the way to Barstow. After Happy Hour, we enjoyed an Irish Spud dinner with green salad, followed by Key Lime pie. Before the evening card game, that Donna Bass won, Edda Patterson passed out 50-piece jig saw puzzles for all to solve. It became very quiet as everyone got very competitive trying to win the gold trophy. Lou & Lois Huff were the first to finish and Judie Kass was the last (her puzzle was missing a piece – made in China).



Saturday started with a pancake breakfast and a warm day. The evening meal was a St Patrick's Sheppard's Pie with ice cream and topping to make a sundae. Edda had made up a scavenger list of items to find in each motorhome. Ursie Fisher won the Grand Prize by finding 17 of the 20 items. Two games of left-right-center were played with Jim Patterson and Ray Bass going back to their motorhomes with all the money.

Sunday was another bright and warm day as everyone packed up and headed home.

**For future events, please see the 2015 Southwestern Bus Nuts Rallies Schedule which follows.**

*The following information is provided by Jim Patterson, Wagon Master for 2015. He can be reached at 909.881.2558, or cell 909.269.1877---E-mail: [double2d@verizon.net](mailto:double2d@verizon.net).*

### **2015 Southwestern Bus Nuts Rallies**

<b>January 7 – 11</b>	WMHA Western States Rally – Indio Fairgrounds
<b>February</b>	No Rally
<b>March 12 – 15</b>	Desert Willows RV Resort – Hesperia
<b>March 26 – 29</b>	FMCA 91 <sup>st</sup> National Rally – Pomona Fairgrounds
<b>April 9 – 12</b>	Three Rivers Jazz Festival
<b>May 7 – 10</b>	Pechanga RV Park
<b>June/July/August</b>	No Rallies
<b>September 10 – 13</b>	Chula Vista RV Resort
<b>October 8 – 11</b>	Joshua Tree Sportsman's Club
<b>November</b>	No Rally
<b>December 29 – Jan 2</b>	Emerald Desert RV Resort – Palm Desert

*More information and registration forms to follow by e-mail to each member.*

## HOSPITALITY REPORT

### LOIS HUFF

Spring is here and everyone seems to be getting busier. The weather has certainly been wonderful and puts me in the 'spring fever' mode.

We just heard Jim Haupt is having severe back pain again and they are cancelling their trip to the 3 Rivers Rally. So sorry to hear about this.

Phyllis Wilson had foot surgery; however, she is doing okay. Recuperating slowly, but better each week.

Tony Fraley was in the hospital for a few days with pneumonia. He developed a harsh cough which was so bad he ripped the muscles around his ribs. He will be unable to drive or move around much for about 8 to 10 weeks. We wish him a speedy recovery. We know Betty is taking good care of him, so expect him to be getting around real soon. He is still waiting for the doctors to decide when and where he will have his back surgery.

Talked to Eunice Berman. She told me Chuck is in the hospital; and, they are trying to build him back up so he can continue his last few chemo treatments. He has had 5 procedures on his brain tumor and the priority now is to just build him back up physically.

There has been the passing of some of our Bus Nut families loved ones. Monika & Harvey Legrone lost their daughter-in-law last month. Lou Huff lost his brother, suddenly, a few weeks ago.

The Blankenships won't be at the April Rally because they are travelling to Kentucky for their grandson's competition in the National Robotics competition. Good luck Trevor!!

The Huffs just returned from a fast trip to Texas. Our great grandson's first birthday. Lots of fun. Looks like we will be taking two more trips to TX this year. A college graduation and a new great grandbaby in September.

Our prayers go out to those who are experiencing difficulties in their lives.

Have a great summer and hugs to all from Lois.

**MEMBERSHIP**  
**BARBARA HART**

We have new members to add to our roster. They are:

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We want to thank Gene and Jackie LeMeur for introducing this delightful couple to us. We look forward to seeing them at future rallies.

Editor's note: Barbara is scanning the FMCA member's list for potential members for the Southwestern Bus Nuts. We welcome anyone interested in joining our group. Perhaps you know some people with motorhomes who would enjoy belonging to our great chapter.

Also, if you have not paid your dues for this year, this is the last copy of the Gazette that you will be receiving.

Richard Rody has prepared the new Roster for the year 2015. More than likely you have received it by now.

EDITOR'S REPORT BY DONNA BASS

ALSO KNOWN AS

*Missus Spintales*



Received a pleasant phone call from Jean Gunnufson. She wanted to make sure she would still be receiving the Gazette. Told her she would. She also made me aware she had major heart surgery last May. Explained that we had no idea she had the surgery. She indicated not many people knew about it. Jean said she recuperated quite well afterwards, and is doing fine now. She, and Marvin, miss the Bus Nuts. They were amongst the first members of the chapter. We miss them, too.

While in Hesperia, Barbara Hart celebrated her 84<sup>th</sup> birthday. She opened her "Chick Mobile" to all of us, and we celebrated the event with champagne. Just to let you know, she is now older than Lois Jones. However, that will change in the near future---and---they will be 84 together. Lord love a duck, we should all be so spry at 84 years of age as are these ladies.

Got an interesting quiz in my e-mail and am sharing it with you. I didn't do very well, but am sure all you members with high IQ's will fair out better.

***Something for seniors to do to keep those "aging" gray cells active!***

1. Johnny's mother had three children. The first child was named April. The second child was named May.

**...What was the third child's name?**

2. There is a clerk at the butcher shop, he is five feet ten inches tall and he wears size 13 sneakers.

**...What does he weigh?**

3. Before Mt. Everest was discovered,  
.... **what was the highest mountain in the world?**
  
4. How much dirt is there in a hole  
**...that measures two feet by three feet by four feet?**
  
5. What word in the English language  
**...is always spelled incorrectly?**
  
6. Billy was born on December 28th, yet his birthday is always in the summer.  
**....How is this possible?**
  
7. In California , you cannot take a picture of a man with a wooden leg.  
**...Why not?**
  
8. What was the President's name  
**...in 1975?**
  
9. If you were running a race,  
**...and you passed the person in 2nd place, what place would you be in now?**
  
10. Which is correct to say,  
.... **"The yolk of the egg are white" or "The yolk of the egg is white"?**
  
11. If a farmer has 5 haystacks in one field and 4 haystacks in the other field,  
**...how many haystacks would he have if he combined them all in another field?**

## Here are the Answers

1. Johnny's mother had three children. The first child was named April. The second child was named May.

Answer: **Johnny, of course**

2. There is a clerk at the butcher shop, he is five feet ten inches tall, and he wears size 13 sneakers. What does he weigh?

Answer: **Meat.**

3. Before Mt. Everest was discovered, what was the highest mountain in the world?

Answer: **Mt. Everest; it just wasn't discovered yet. [You're not very good at this are you?]**

4. How much dirt is there in a hole that measures two feet by three feet by four feet?

Answer: **There is no dirt in a hole.**

5. What word in the English language is always spelled incorrectly?

Answer: **Incorrectly**

6. Billy was born on December 28th, yet his birthday is always in the summer. How is this possible?

Answer: **Billy lives in the Southern Hemisphere.**

7. In California, you cannot take a picture of a man with a wooden leg. Why not?

Answer: **You can't take pictures with a wooden leg. You need a camera to take pictures.**

8. What was the President's name in 1975?

Answer: Same as is it now - **Barack Obama [Oh, come on...]**

9. If you were running a race, and you passed the person in 2nd place, what place would you be in now?

Answer: **You would be in 2nd. Well, you passed the person in second place, not first.**

10. Which is correct to say, "The yolk of the egg are white" or "The yolk of the egg is white"?

Answer: **Neither, the yolk of the egg is yellow [duh!]**

11. If a farmer has 5 haystacks in one field and 4 haystacks in the other field, how many haystacks would he have if he combined them all in another field?

Answer: **One. If he combines all of his haystacks, they all become one big on one.**

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**There will be no Gazette for the next several months. If you have any inputs for the next issue, please provide them to Donna Bass, Editor.**

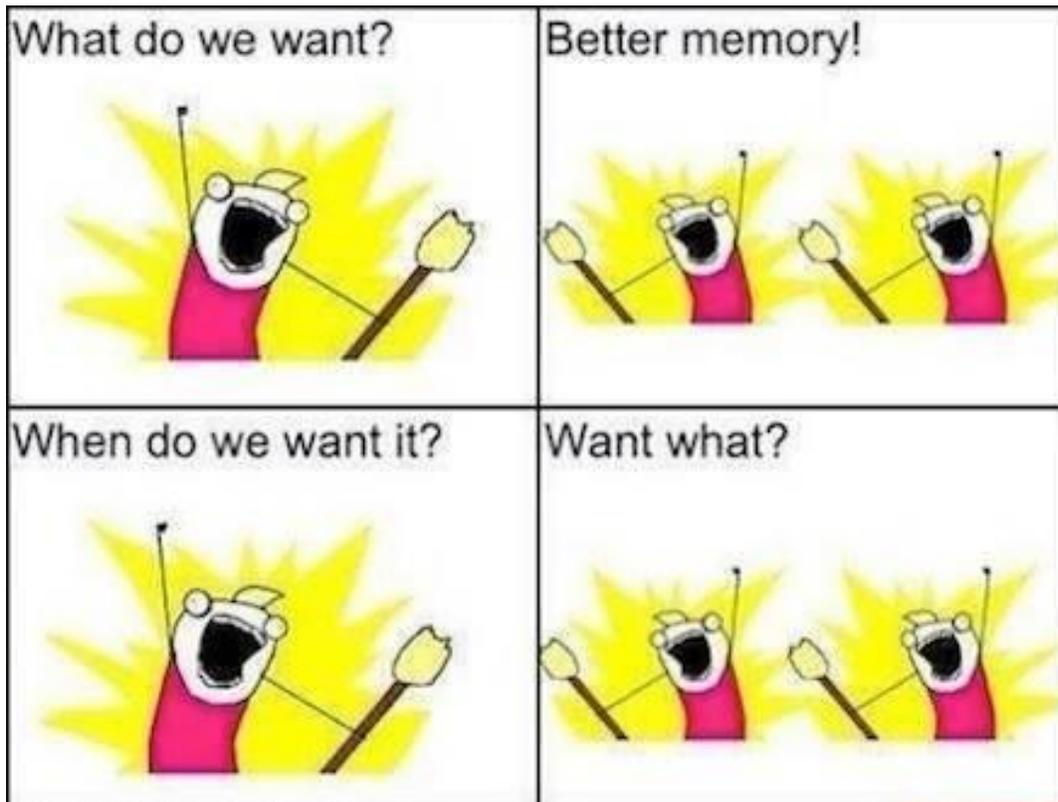
**I would like to thank Beverly Jones, Lorraine Tesler, and Edda Patterson for providing pictures for this issue of the Gazette. Photo follows.**



**Be sure to see the last page of this newsletter. It probably applies to all of us.**

**Have a great summer. *Missus Spintales***

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