



GREETINGS FROM GULF STREAMERS INTERNATIONAL OFFICE



Where is the year 2007 going? In planning the rallies, all my focus must be on the location, date and time of the rally I am planning. I am currently working on the completion of the flyer for the Las Vegas Rally, April 21-25, 2008, at the beautiful Lake Mead RV Village, in Boulder City Nevada. The location is only 30 miles from the "strip." Free time is available for those who sign up to visit the casinos and shows on their own; or you may sign up for the optional trip into Las Vegas with the group for a show and free time to tour the city or to visit the casinos, museums or shops. Visit the website in the next week or two for the flyer information. We will also send out a mailer once all the flyers are finished for 2008, to include a copy of each flyer, just in case you missed the one in your Main Stream or just don't like to tear out the form from the magazine. I am also working on the Pomona Pre-Rally in February 2008, St. Paul Minnesota Pre-Rally in July 2008, the Back Home in Indiana Rally in June of 2008, and the Rose Parade in December 2009-January 2010, not to mention completing the Branson Rally for 2007, and you wonder why I don't know what day or year it is sometimes!



You should receive your Main Stream Magazine the first or second week of October. We have tried to save money by sending the magazine pre-sorted bulk mail. It will not be forwarded to you if we have a wrong address on file. If you have not received your Main Stream by the end of October, please contact Jennifer Shaw, our membership coordinator, at 1-800-289-8787, extension 3067, to verify the mailing address we have on file for you. Also, the magazine will look a little different from the last three issues you received. We used a less expensive, lighter paper, to save money and printing costs on the magazine. The new type of magazine that you receive for this issue is the same magazine as sent by five of our competitor clubs. We are doing everything we can to keep from raising the membership dues; with the increasing number of new members, the printing of the Main Stream is very expensive.



Thirty-two RVs and 65 Gulf Streamers just visited Portland Maine for the Lighthouse & Lobsters Rally. It was a great rally with 16 of the RVs bringing first timers to the rally. We hope they decide to join us at a future rally! It was great to have Jean Potteiger there, with all the help she provided. We missed Lester but know he is planning on joining us for the Branson Rally; he tells me he is looking forward to an active RV lifestyle again! A special "thank you" to Bob & Kaye Combs, Ray & Theda Massie, Bill & Diane Gallo and Beverly Hiltachk, who helped with transporting all the items we needed to the rally. Bob & Kaye and Ray & Theda were excellent host couples, who helped us with everything we needed! Please view the rally recap on our website (www.gulfstreamrv.com) to view photos of the rally. One of my favorites is Bill Gallo feasting on his 50th (at least) steamed clam! Also, notice how happy all the bingo winners look in the pictures, especially Diane Gifford who was our \$50 cover-all winner!



To update you on the Branson Christmas Rally November 12-17, 2007, we now have 15 RV sign ups and have opened this rally up to SOB's, in case you would like to sign up and bring along a family member or friend with another brand of RV. The campground has extended the cut-off date until October 10, 2007. They have also added an additional cabin to their facilities for your non-RVing friends or family members. It sleeps six, with two separate bedroom facilities and a hide-a-bed in the living room, full bath and kitchen. If you have not visited America's Best Campground, it is one of the nicest facilities I have found to host a rally. Check them out online at www.abc-branson.com. They offer 15% discounts for veterans and Good Sam members. They recently won the Good Sam Welcome Mat Award for the 5th year in a row! I just ran across a WIT Club Magazine and they are charging \$1,670.00 for two people in an RV for their Christmas Branson Rally. The agenda did not look as full as ours, so I am wondering if we just picked a bad year or the members who wanted this rally have made other plans.



FLORIDA Tampa Buddy Rally, January 15-20, 2008, is accepting sign ups. The flyer is available on the website and in the Main Stream. A reunion wine and cheese social is being planned for the attendees who participated in the Alaskan Caravan held in 2004, organized by Adventure Caravans. Don & Suzanne Palczynski and Les & Jean Potteiger were the Gulf Streamer representatives on the two caravans and are looking forward to reminiscing with you about the caravans. Bring along your pictures, videos, and memories of the caravan to share! There will also be free show passes for those of you who just want to attend the rally for the reunion wine & cheese social, no RV needed!



New York Rally October 6-10, 2008, has been posted on the website and is included in the Main Stream magazine. Due to the outside companies used to secure charter buses, THE BEST tickets to shows, etc., the cut-off date is earlier than most of our International Rallies. No refunds are offered after a specific date. TRIP INSURANCE is available as an additional purchase for this rally (and all rallies for extra security) and is available through Farm & City Insurance. Contact them for more information. Call Travel Insured Free at 1-800-243-3174, or visit www.travelinsured.com for more information.



Rose Parade Rally is planned for December 2009-January 2010 in Pasadena California. We are using Adventure Caravans for this rally. Based upon our participation, the rally will be exclusive Gulf Streamers. If we don't obtain the minimum sign-ups, Adventure will fill in with others interested in attending the rally. Gulf Streamers will have their own tent for social activities at the fairgrounds. The flyer will be posted in the winter issue of the Main Stream. Sign up early if you are planning on attending so we can assure the rally is a success and kept exclusive to our club.



Visit the Gulf Stream Coach website often at www.gulfstreamrv.com for new products, dealer locations and other important company updates. This site has a new look for the company and is being updated on a regular basis. To view the Gulf Streamers section, click on any product line, then RV Club. You will be able to see the updates on rallies and chapter updates and rally information.

Visit <http://www.ebay.com/quiltpink> to learn more about benefiting breast cancer by purchasing one of the 150 quilts posted for auction on eBay. The site is available through October and all proceeds go to Susan G. Komen for the Cure, which funds breast cancer research.

Please visit www.DometicUSA.com or call 888-446-5157 for information on a recall for refrigerators manufactured between April 1997 and May 2003. Please contact them for further information if your motorhome has a Dometic refrigerator manufactured during this time period.

Click <http://www.corsinet.com/trivia/g-triv.html> for geography trivia and uncommon facts about places such as the following:

- Maine is the only state in the U.S. whose name has only one syllable.
- The Atlantic Ocean is saltier than the Pacific Ocean.
- Grand Rapids Michigan was the first city in the U.S. to put fluoride in its water.
- Canada is an Indian word meaning "Big Village."
- The Eiffel Tower was built for the 1889 World's Fair.

IT ALL DEPENDS ON HOW YOU LOOK AT IT

A man pulled into a gas station on the outskirts of town. As he filled his tank, he remarked to the attendant, "I've just accepted a job in town. I've never been to this part of the country. What are people like here?"

"What are people like where you came from?" the attendant asked.

"Not so nice," the man replied. "In fact, they can be quite rude." The attendant shook his head. "Well, I'm afraid you'll find the people in this town to be the same way."

Just then another car pulled into the station. "Excuse me," the driver called out. "I'm just moving to this area. "Is it nice here?"

"Was it nice where you came from?" the attendant inquired.

"Oh, yes! I came from a great place. The people were friendly, and I hated to leave."

"Well, you'll find the same to be true of this town."

"Thanks!" yelled the driver as he pulled away.

"So what is this town really like?" asked the first man, now irritated with the attendant's conflicting reports.

The attendant just shrugged his shoulders. "It's all a matter of perception. You'll find things to be just the way you think they are."

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