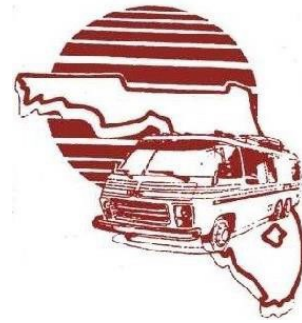


JANUARY 2026

GMCSS HAPPENINGS



IMPORTANT INFORMATION YOU SHOULD BE AWARE OF

The rally season is half over. We need members to think about stepping up to take a more active role in GMCSS, specifically requesting people to be hosts at a rally. It's really not fair that the same people are always doing it. Thank goodness for those people that just step in to help with cleaning and dishes, etc. For people that have not hosted, pick someone that has hosted before and be a co-host to learn what needs to be done – I always thought I could never do it and look at this year – Cat and I have signed up for four of them – we have help but that's what the club is all about anyways whether it be helping with cooking, cleaning or helping under the hood of the beloved GMC.

PREZ SAYS



Another month has slipped by with good headway on Roy, our '76 Royale diesel conversion. New brake lines are run, the redesigned air bag suspension is well on the way, and the front chassis is now back in the body. Hopefully, for the last time. I reported last month, Homer [Our operational GMC Kingsley], decided to develop a problem on the way back from the Daytona rally - WRONG. And it's not the coil. Next guess was the fuel pump. WRONG AGAIN. The fuel line was routed in front of the thermostat. John rerouted the line, the problem seems to be gone – or it's waiting to catch me off guard.

Left for the January rally, problem wasn't fixed but my bride and I marshaled on as I had all the club equipment for the rally. We could only get about 50MPH on I-95. As you can imagine it was not a wonderful trip.

We finally got to Zachary Taylor RV Resort at about 5PM. They were very

surprised to see us since our reservation wasn't for two weeks later. After I double checked my confirmation and wiped the egg off my face, I begged a night's stay. They were wonderful and wouldn't let me pay for the night.

Fortunately, Jeff Sirum allowed us to park Homer at his facility for the two weeks until the rally. I loaded my new fiberglass parts for Roy, all the stuff we would need for two weeks, and headed home in Jerry, our 2004 Jeep Liberty, for an uneventful trip home.

Two weeks later, my bride, not wanting to enjoy another trip back, requested that I take John instead of her. John is not as pretty, but he is a good 'wrench'. So John had to go on a four day trip to Okeechobee to experience his first full rally, and be sure Homer got home. We [he] changed the plug wires, rotor, distributor cap, fuel filter, coil, and vacuum fittings. We made it home at 60MPH. We are still scratching our heads...

The rally was very good and all had a good time. Some had a great time at a modern dairy – yes, one with cows. What a tech section that was... A special THANKS goes to Jeff Sirum who not only set up the dairy trip, brought Ramona to the rally, and provided boat rides all afternoon. Also a shout out to Don and Bob for the culinary delights, Deb Bickley for heading up the ladies crafts, and everyone who enjoyed the rally.

I hope to see you at the February rally... Assuming we can make Homer do more than 60MPH towing Jerry. I hope my wife doesn't want to file for divorce when we get back. Make your reservations now so we can see you there.

Until then,

Harold Coffield
President 2025-2026

RECAP OF JANUARY RALLY

Our fifth rally of the season was held at Zachary Taylor RV Resort in Okeechobee, FL. Lori Meyer and Cat Meyer hosted the event – Don Fenwick and Bob Hughson were the co-hosts/chefs of the rally and their help was invaluable.

Attendees at the rally were Lori Meyer, Cat Meyer (hosts) and Cat's brother Gary and his wife Pat, Don Fenwick and Bob Hughson (co-hosts), Harold Coffield and his worker John, Russell and Jenny Keith, Stick and Elise Miller, Bob Heller and

Donna Dale, Mel and Dorean Woods, Arthur and Oliver Norek, John Niedzwiedzki, Kevan and Jim DeVault, Jeff Sirum (with a surprise visit from Romona on Friday night), Ed and Deb Bickley and friend Patty, Rick and Cindy Michelhaugh, Larry and Lucy Weidner, Paul and Nancy Doane. Mike Sadlon visited on Friday.

Thursday attendees were treated by Jeff Sirum who provided all the food and Bob Hughson and Don Fenwick cooked the hot dogs and hamburgers with fixins, potato salad and coleslaw. For dessert there was a store bought coconut cake and confetti cake but the highlight of desserts was the homemade Boston cream chocolate éclair cake that Bob Hughson made.





Friday afternoon, Jeff Sirum treated people to a pontoon boat ride on Taylor Creek.



Friday evening we had fried chicken, baked beans a la Cat Meyer, macaroni and cheese and cornbread. Desserts were plentiful brought from club members. Dessert specialty (throughout the weekend too) were Bob Hughson's whoopie pies.



Saturday morning breakfast we had waffles, sausage, homemade hash Bob Hughson prepared and Don Fenwick cooked up, and fresh fruit.



After breakfast, some club members attended a tour of a dairy farm in Okeechobee and afterwards had the opportunity to buy some of their homemade ice cream which was a real treat.





In the afternoon Deb Bickley led the craft and sugar scrubs were made and the girls played cards in the clubhouse. Jeff Sirum took two groups out on the boat. The afternoon first tour was an "all boys turn" and they stopped along the way at a VFW post for some beer and lunch.





Saturday evening Bob and Don prepared a pork roast with gravy, potatoes, carrots and cabbage and a salad. Again, desserts were plentiful with whoopie pies, homemade brownies, cookies, confetti cake, pistachio cake, coconut cake, carrot cake, cinnamon cake and vanilla ice cream.





After dinner one of the ladies from Zachary Taylor came in and told everyone to look under their chair – if their chair had a sticker on it you won a prize. Russell Keith was the winner and won a sand globe with starfish and shells in it..



The woman also had a large giveaway in her hand and said if anyone had the middle name Sue they won the prize. Donna Dale's middle name is actually Sue and she won the croc beach bag (she gave it to Cat Meyer)



In the evening it was socializing in the clubhouse as well as the ladies playing cards.

Sunday came and we had a continental breakfast and “food leftover giveaway”.

Next rally is a February joint rally with the Dixielanders in Marianna, Florida. Hope to see you there and if not, March’s rally is in Starke, FL being hosted by Russell and Jenny Keith. Please make your reservations at the campground and be sure to let the hosts know you’ll be attending and send in your registration form.

OUR RALLY SEASON SCHEDULE 2025-2026
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<p>Feb 12/13-15, 2026 Florida Caverns RV Resort at Merritt's Mill Pond 4820 US-90 Marianna, Florida 32446 (850) 482-5583 Hosts: Bill & Midge Kittredge Co-hosts: John & Dawn Neidzwiedzki</p>	<p>May 14/15-17, 2026 (must reserve by April 15th) Upriver RV Resort 17021 Upriver Dr. North Fort Myers, FL 33917 (DO NOT CALL CAMPGROUND - CALL LORI MEYER (386-986-8886 Hosts: Lori Meyer and Cat Meyer</p>
<p>Mar 12/13-15, 2026 (must reserve by March 2nd) Starke/Gainesville NE KOA Holiday 1475 South Walnut Street Starke, FL 32091 (904) 964-8484 Hosts: Russell & Jenny Keith</p>	
<p>Apr 9/10-12, 2026 (must reserve by March 9th) Lake Rousseau RV Resort 10811 N. Coveview Terrace Crystal River, FL 34428 (352) 795-6336 Hosts: Lori Meyer/Cat Meyer</p>	

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