



# KOKOPELLI KRONICLE



ANASAZI CHAPTER OF FRVA

## May 2026 Rally

Seven rigs with fourteen participants headed to the Payson, AZ to camp at the Elks Lodge #2154 RV park. The Rally was hosted by Jodi and Mike Carboni and assisted by Carol and Charles Knoppow. This was the Knoppows first hosting event. Both couples arrived on Wednesday to assess the area to make sure check-in would run smoothly. The park had a good sized ramada with tables, chairs, fridge, grill, and even a TV. The weather was amazing throughout the weekend and this setup was perfection.

Virginia and Larry Morrison arrived on Wednesday too, so they accompanied the hosts to the local Mazatzal Casino to check out the Cedar Ridge restaurant within. It was a winner including reasonable entrees and a great salad bar.

The weather was the perfect temperature of cool, and the moon was full, eclipsed by a few clouds passing by to give it character. The evenings maintained this lovely composure throughout the weekend.

On Thursday afternoon, members began to arrive and we gathered under the ramada to chat and renew friendship, prior to dinner. Hosts bags included vintages Zane Grey comic



books to celebrate the author who lived near Payson during his life.

Caravanning down the road 2 miles, we had



dinner at La Sierra Mexican Restaurant. The interior was vibrant with its beautifully ethnically painted chairs and tables which celebrated the Mexican culture in

style. The food was delicious and authentic.

At the end of the meal, the staff appeared with a roman candle and cake for our newest 80-year-old, Charles Knoppow. Many happy returns, Charles!

The evening was closed out with the group circling the campfire. Albert and Tom were the early arrivers!



The mornings were sunny and refreshing as the group met under the ramada. Mike



and Charles had hot skillet and flat grills going to prepare a breakfast

burrito buffet. Muy delicioso!

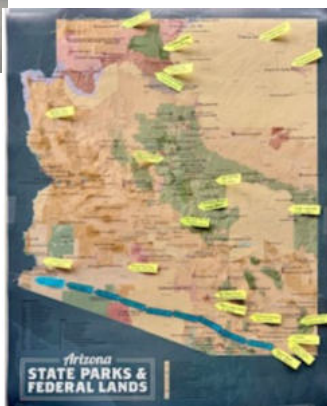
After breakfast participants carpooled together to The Rim Museum and Zane Grey Cabin. The in town facility is flanked by a local park and fishing lake, where members walked the paths afterward.



The weekend was based on western fiction novels taking place in Arizona, to reflect the numerous books written by Zane Grey and the impact he had on the territory up through statehood. The hosts provided a state parks map and list of books, of the same category and encouraged others to search out other publications and post on the map about where the novel was set. A picture of the map and corresponding list is provided here for your reading pleasure.



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After a restful afternoon for some, note the technicians helping with some Class C leveling issues, the group met up and headed

to the Mazatzal Casino to enjoy the fish fry and salad bar.



Afterward, we returned to the RV park and played cowboy bingo at the ramada to the music of old time cowboy music like Home on the Range and Tumbleweed.



Cowboy bingo has specialized bingo cards with pictures of western icons such as chaps, cowgirl, and of course the well-known "wild rag". Some call it a bandana but seems like nobody told the Chinese manufacturer. We stuffed ourselves on the potluck deserts, and prizes abounded for all, thanks to Lois and Glen Savage of the FRVA Racing Fans Chapter for their donations of "silly door prizes". And, as always, there were quarter pot earnings.



Saturday morning Mike and Charles were at it again sweating it out over the skillet to make sausages and bacon. Once they figured out the griddles where blowing a breaker, the sweating could begin again as the flipped pancakes.

We had a lazy morning enjoying the temperate weather. By 2pm we gathered to play card bingo.



Needless to say, we had a lot of laughs. Most importantly, it was noted by Kendra, and agreed upon by the group, that we are all in need of an afternoon nap rather than trying to use our noggins in the afternoon. Maybe we were being serenaded to sleep by those old trail tunes.

Saturday evening was our chuckwagon dinner and saloon night. The western styles



abounded with cowboy hats, turquoise, and wild rags/bandanas. The vintage piano list played favorites like



Camptown Races and Twelfth Street Rag.



Carol and Charles assisted by Steve Dummit, heated and basted rotisserie chickens, and Carol had homemade baked beans, coleslaw, and corn muffins ALL to die for. Can you say Yeeha! Amazing job Carol!



After dinner, we played a new game called Help your Neighbor. Each person was given a set of cards number 2 through 10 and Jack and Queen minus the 7. You kept that set the



whole game. The game is played with cards and dice. To learn more, come to a rally and ask to play,

Help Your Neighbor, or ask any of the attendees from the May 2026 rally. It was a great time and Larry kept winning, so he had to be squelched, but he didn't seem to mind. He seems to be able to talk to the dice!

There were bigger prizes this time, and winners of rounds could go up to choose as well as winning the pot. One thing we could count on with every game through the weekend, Tom Eells would exclaim, "This game sucks!" if he wasn't winning enough. What a cowboy. We're glad he wasn't carrying his side arm. Because we are partying fools, we kept up the potluck deserts to maintain our strength. Lot's of laughs and fun.

We ended the rally on Sunday morning with a goodbye breakfast. Saying goodbye to friends and wishing all a safe journey home, it was wagons ho!



Susan Borgardt	16
Clarie Porter	16
Mary Romeo	19
Ed Cotier	24
Wayne Cernie	26
Rosellen Ziefle	26
Carole Eells	27

**August**

Joe Romeo	10
Amy Jones	31



**CoMiC CoRnEr**



<b>May</b>	
Jacob & Rosellen Ziefle	10
<b>June</b>	
Albert & Kendra Gould	1
<b>July</b>	
Stephen & Cynthia Dummit	17
<b>August</b>	
Clarence & Jeanne Kinsley	1
Mark & Jennifer DeVol	11
Tom & Carole Eells	18
Dick & Anita Hancock	27
Larry & Virginia Morrison	27



**A RVer's Prayer**

"May your black tank never leak, your leveling jacks never creak, and may the guy in the site next to you finally figure out how to turn off his bright blue LED awning lights at 11 PM."

What's the difference between an RV and a house?

In an RV, if you forget where you put something, you only have to search 300 square feet.



<b>May</b>	
Nancy Houck	2
Ken Oakes	14
Karen Abbott	25
<b>June</b>	
John Harms	3
Jacob Ziefle	8
Jeanne Kinsley	10
<b>July</b>	
LuVerne Underhill	5
Betsy Livens	8



### Carol's May Rally Baked Beans

- 2 16 Oz cans baked beans
- 1 tsp dry mustard
- 6 slices bacon
- 3/4 cup brown sugar
- 1/2 cup ketchup
- Grease casserole. Pin in one can of beans. Spread on top 1/2 of the mixture of brown sugar, mustard and ketchup .
- Add second can and remainder of mixture. Lay bacon slices on top and bake at 325 degrees for 2-1/2 hours.
- Note: I break bacon into bite-sized pieces and mix bacon and all ingredients with beans.

### Carol's May Rally Cole Slaw

- Cole slaw in a bag
- Apple chunks
- Cole slaw dressing
- Mix slaw and apples with dressing



### Our President's Message

Our May Rally was a Western-themed Roundup which was the perfect way to wrap up the first half of our rally year. With seven rigs joining in, the event had just the right mix of

energy, camaraderie, and that classic ANASAZI spirit we all enjoy.

The Payson Elks RV Park turned out to be an ideal setting for our gathering. The tall trees, roomy ramada, and peaceful surroundings created a comfortable backdrop for relaxing, visiting, and enjoying the outdoors. The weather couldn't have been better, giving us plenty of time to be outside and catch up with friends.

One of the highlights was the Zane Grey Cabin tour. The guide brought history to life, and everyone learned more about the author, his legacy, and the role Arizona played in his stories. It was educational, memorable, and a great addition to the weekend.

I especially enjoyed seeing everyone spending time together—socializing, playing games, sitting around the fire and jumping in with the impromptu ANASAZI RV Repair Club. That kind of participation is what keeps our group strong and connected.

A heartfelt thank you goes out to our wonderful hosts this month, the Carbonis and the Knoppows, for putting together such a welcoming, enjoyable, and well-organized event. No one went home hungry or without a prize.

I look forward to seeing a few of our members in July at the Sedalia, MO gathering and hope to see everyone in September at Railside RV in Williams, AZ as we head into the second half of our rally season. Safe travels this summer.

Albert Gould  
President  
ANASAZI Chapter FRVA



### Notes from our National Director

At the Governing Board meeting on 1 July 2026 in Sedalia, Missouri, your Alt. National Director will be voting on 5 proposed National Bylaws amendments.

If you disagree with any of them, please let us know which ones to vote NO on. Thank You for your help.

Article II, Definitions (**Proposal #1**)

- (1) The term “family unit,” as used herein, is defined as a person; his or her spouse, or partner; dependents of each, ~~regardless of age; non-dependent grandchildren and great grandchildren aged 18 and under.~~

Article III – Membership, Paragraphs (3) (f) and 4. **(Proposal #2)**

- (2) (f) A Member Emeritus/Family Associate is an FMCA member who no longer owns a recreational vehicle. A Member Emeritus/Family Associate shall be required to pay dues ~~and has the rights of a full member; however, shall not be eligible to hold a National office. A National officer converting to associate membership status may be allowed to complete his or her term of office. ;however, shall not be eligible to vote or hold elected office. An officer converting to associate membership status may be allowed to complete his or her term of office.~~
- (4) A member must own a recreational vehicle or at least 1/3 interest in a recreational vehicle in order to ~~vote or~~ hold a national office in FMCA., a chapter, or an area association or to serve on a national committee. This restriction does not apply to Full Lifetime or Life Members.

Article IX – Executive Board, Paragraph (4)

- (3) Any FMCA/FRVA Full, Full Lifetime or Life Member ~~voting FMCA member~~, is eligible for election to the Executive Board. A national officer may not hold a chapter office, area office (except Area President), or a second national position simultaneously. ~~A full member may not accept a nomination for more than one national office simultaneously~~ and must be eligible to serve the complete term of the office for which they are accepting.

Article VIII, Governing Board, paragraph (8) **(Proposal #3)**

Amend this article to read:

- (8) ~~Fifty one percent of the total Governing Board shall constitute a quorum. A quorum for the transaction of business at the Governing Board meeting is 25% of the~~

voting chapters or 75 members from the voting chapters, whichever is less.

Article XVII – Chapters, Paragraphs (2), (3), (5), (7), and (14) **(Proposal #4)**

Amend this article to read:

- (2) Any group of ~~fifteen~~ seven or more ~~voting~~ memberships may petition FMCA for a charter for the creation of a chapter. ~~Any group of seven or more voting memberships may petition FMCA for a charter for the creation of an associate chapter.~~ All ~~chapter or associate~~ chapter members must be FMCA members in good standing. An FMCA member may join more than one chapter.
- (3) A chapter has Governing Board representation and is an organization of members with a scope within the United States and Canada. ~~An associate chapter does not have Governing Board representation and may have a scope outside of the United States and Canada.~~
- (5) A chapter will elect a president, one or more vice presidents, a secretary, a treasurer, and a national director. ~~for a one or two year term. An associate chapter will elect a president, one or more vice presidents, a secretary, and a treasurer for a one year or two year term.~~ A chapter may elect in their bylaws to combine the positions of secretary and treasurer into a single position. A chapter has the option of whether to elect an alternate national director. However, a chapter ~~other than associate~~, must maintain at least three (3) members holding the officer positions in that chapter. An FMCA member may hold no more than two chapter offices simultaneously. A member may hold an office in two chapters; however, he/she may not hold the offices of national director or alternate national director in more than one chapter.
- (7) All chapters must maintain a minimum number of memberships in order to retain their accredited status.
  - (a) A chapter must maintain a minimum number of ~~fifteen~~ seven FMCA memberships. A chapter that fails to maintain the required number of

memberships shall revert to inactive chapter status, and the national director or alternate national director elected by the chapter shall have no vote in the proceedings of the Governing Board.

~~(b) An associate chapter must maintain a minimum of seven FMCA memberships. An associate chapter that fails to maintain the required number of memberships shall revert to inactive associate chapter status.~~

~~(14) No more than once a year, a chapter may change its status to an associate chapter, or an associate chapter of members with a scope within the United States and Canada may change its status to a chapter.~~

Article XVII – Chapters, Paragraph (5)  
**(Proposal #5)**

Amend this article to read:

(4) A chapter will elect a president, one or more vice presidents, a secretary, a treasurer, and a national director. ~~for a one or two year term.~~ If the chapter fails to elect a national director, the chapter president will be the temporary voting delegate for the chapter, unless a temporary delegate is elected or appointed by the chapter president. ~~An associate chapter will elect a president, one or more vice presidents, a secretary, and a treasurer for a one year or two year term.~~ A chapter may elect in their bylaws to combine the positions of secretary and treasurer into a single position. A chapter has the option of whether to elect an alternate national director. However, a chapter ~~other than associate~~, must maintain at least three (3) members holding the officer positions in that chapter. An FMCA member may hold no more than two chapter offices simultaneously. A member may hold an office in two

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<b>A list of Western Fiction Novel Titles taking place in Arizona - Compiled at the May 2026 Rally</b>			
<b>Book Title</b>	<b>Author</b>	<b>Locataion in AZ</b>	<b>Movie or Series Based on the Novel</b>
Light of the Western Stars	Zane Grey	Chiricauhaus	*
Riders of the Purple Sage	Zane Grey	Cottonwood	*
Arizona Ames	Zane Grey	Tonto Basin	*Thunder Trail
The Lonely Cowboy	Louis L'Amour	Southeast Frontier	
Hondo	Louis L'Amour	Southeastern AZ	* John Wayne starred
3:10 to Yuma (a short story)	Elmore Leonard	Bisbee to Yuma	* 1957 & 2007
The Quick and the Dead	Joy Williams	Tucson/Benson	
Blood Brother	Elliot Arnold	Chiricauhuas	
Blood Meridian	Cormac McCarthy	Gila River Valley	
Desert Heat	JA Jance	Bisbee	
The Bean Trees	Barbara Kingsolver	Tucson	
The Blessing Way	Tony Hillerman	Navajo Nation	*Dark Winds
The Spider Woman's Daughter	Anne Hillerman	Navajo Nation	
These is my Word	Nancy Turner	Tucson	
High Lonesome	Louis L'Amour	Greer	
Strand Ways - Murder Moon (Sci-Fi)	Matt Maxwell	Chloride	
Under the Tonto Rim	Zane Grey	Tonto Basin	*
Heritage of the Desert	Zane Grey	North of Grand Canyon	
Grand Canyon Sacrifice	Scott Graham	Grand Canyon South Rim	
Shadow on the Trail	Zane Grey	Tonto Basin	
Tales of Lonely Trails	Zane Grey	Monument Valley, Painted Desert, Canyon Segi	