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## AMARILLO RALLY NEWS ABOUT OUR RALLY SITE

by Brent & Julie Lauderdale, Rally Masters, and Derrel & Kathe Letulle, Co-Rally Masters

Location change for our "ROUND-UP IN AMARILLO" is:

**Fort Amarillo RV Park**

**10101 Amarillo Blvd**

**Amarillo, TX 79124**

**866-431-7866 toll free, or 806-331-1700**

**[www.fortrvparks.com](http://www.fortrvparks.com)**



### Enjoy This Day

On behalf of all those who contribute to making the CAT RV Club significant in enhancing your motorhome experiences, we want to wish you and you family all the best during Thanksgiving. We also can be grateful for the friendships we've all made and keep as part of this wonderful lifestyle.

Your Publisher Editors,  
Lee and Jeanne Zaborowski



At Fort Amarillo RV Park & Resort, you'll enjoy an authentic western setting, complete with a stream-fed fishing pond, illuminated walking paths and sunsets so breathtaking, even the most eloquent of cowboy poets don't do them justice. The park has showers, weight workout room, recreation room, and a great dog run for your pets. Each coach space has a small fence on each side to separate your space and most have a crushed asphalt pad and picnic table. There is an indoor heated pool, hot tub and a game room that would serve as a storm shelter. There is a big gift shop in front of the campground with collectibles and gift items. The camp decor is great! Cruise the website and when you click on 'Tour Fort Amarillo' click the green icons for pictures. [Go to index](#)

## SPOTLIGHT

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## TECH TIDBITS - SCA TESTING

by Brett Wolfe, President Emeritus, Yahoo Group Moderator

**Just a reminder.** If you have "low silicate coolant for diesels with SCA's" (we can call this "regular" coolant for your engine as opposed to Caterpillar ELC), YOU MUST TEST AND REPLENISH THE SCA AS IT IS USED UP. This is the coolant that came from the chassis/coach maker in all but a handful of cases. Failure to keep SCA's at proper level hampers cooling and, on C9 and larger engines, can lead to cylinder wall erosion. Test strips are available in small quantities

- Fleetguard CC2604-A 4 pack
- NAPA FIL4105

NAPA and other parts houses that cater to the OTR truck trade stock them. Go into a suburban NAPA and they might stare at you like a deer caught in the headlights or ask you to buy a whole box of the individually wrapped strips. They are date sensitive, so MAKE SURE THEY HAVE NOT EXPIRED. Expired strips can give false results. They are easy to use - just follow the directions - 'dip in coolant, wait, read.'

Do NOT just use a set amount of SCA additive (it comes as a liquid and for coaches fit with a coolant filter, in different quantities in filters). Overdosing is almost as bad as under-dosing. If you do have a coolant filter, they come with different number of "units" of SCA. When adding SCA's it is always safer to slightly UNDER dose the system and re-check it with test strips after a few hundred miles and re-dose if necessary. The test strips also test for freeze point and pH. If either is way out, it is time to drain, flush and change coolant. And even if everything tests OK, coolant still needs to be changed every three/four years (per coolant manufacturer's recommendations). Said another way, the strips do NOT test for all anti-corrosion additives that are important to your engine. If, as many of us have done, you switch to Caterpillar ELC at your next coolant change, there is no SCA testing. After 3 years a "booster" is added. The ELC is then good for another 3 years.

**We test SCA's in everyone's cooling systems at the CAT RV Club Rallies and will be doing so at the March Rally as well**

Your cooling system is important. If the simple testing and additive steps required of ALL diesels (Caterpillar, Cummins, Detroit Diesel, etc) are followed, the "inside" or your cooling system will give you many years of trouble-free service. And while you are at it, if a rear radiator, access the engine from the top and shine a strong flashlight inside the fan shroud/between the fan blades. Make sure the perimeter of the after-cooler (that is what you are looking at) is as clean as the center. The blades "sling" the dirt into the perimeter.

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### CAT RV Club Merchandise for Christmas

Club merchandise is now available on the internet. Not sure what

**Club Logo Items for  
Christmas**

you'd like to have in your stocking? Click here to see our [Christmas Catalog](#).

Place your order by December 4th in order to receive the merchandise in time for Christmas.

<i>Item</i>	<i>Photo</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Price Each</i>
Club "Egg"		CAT RV Club "Egg" identifies Club Members	\$15
Ladder Bracket		Bracket to attach "Egg" to coach ladder	\$10
"Egg" & Bracket Combination		"Egg" and Bracket combo - Save \$5	\$20
Logo Fanny Pack & Bottle		This Fanny Pack carries the CAT RV Club logo and includes a metal bottle and has two zipper pockets.	\$18
Logo Bear		This popular CAT RV Club Bear was a featured gift item at the Charleston rally. It has movable arms and legs and comes in yellow only.	\$8
Club Logo Shirts		This white Polo Shirt features the CAT RV Club logo. Available in sizes (S) Small, (M) Medium, (L) Large, and Extra Large sizes (XL), (2XL), and (3XL).	\$20
Permanent Name Badge		This CAT RV Club Name Badge comes with a magnetic clasp, has the Club name and the member's name. Please allow 14 to 21 days to produce and deliver the name badge.	\$9
Logo Picnic Bag &		This quality insulated	\$39.99

Service for 2



picnic bag comes with two plates, napkins, wine glasses, bottle opener, and service in the zippered outside pocket. The bag has the CAT RV Club logo and comes in black trimmed in red.

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## NOMINATING COMMITTEE SEEKING VOLUNTEERS AND SUGGESTIONS

by Brent Lauderdale, Chairman, Nominating Committee

All volunteer organizations run on the strength of its members. Brent Lauderdale would like to remind everyone who is interested in any of the four CAT Board position openings to send him their resumes so he can mail them to the committee members. The slate to be voted on in Redmond, OR in August, 2010 will include candidates to fill the following offices expiring at that time:



*New Blood Welcome*

- President
- VP Rally Coordinator
- Secretary
- National Director

We would like to remind everyone interested in one of those positions to send their resume electronically or by snail mail. Please submit resumes to Brent Lauderdale, [jbminv@hotmail.com](mailto:jbminv@hotmail.com), P.O. Box 725, Stratford, OK 74872.

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## MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS - PAST DUE

All club memberships renew on a "class" basis annually on November 1. Reminders have been sent to everyone whose membership has expired. We admit some reminders crossed in the mail with incoming checks and regret any frustration. If you've been procrastinating, please hesitate no longer. Over thirty percent of the renewal transactions this year have been processed using the new PayPal option. Payment can also be made by mail. To renew now, click on:

- [PayPal](#)

- [Renewal Form, Print and Mail](#)

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## INTO RALLY IN QUARTZSITE

by Al Vormittag, National Director

As a reminder, I would like to invite you to the INTO Rally to be held from January 20th to January 24th in Quartzsite, Arizona at the Rose RV Park. INTO has leased an exclusive area, so come with your chapter and/or friends and park together! **Have your own rally within our rally.** When you register you can indicate you are with the CAT RV Club Chapter by filling out this line on the form:

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Are you Parking with a Chapter? \_\_ Yes \_\_ No. If Yes, Which Chapter:

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You will find the complete form at [INTO Registration Form](#).

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## New CAT RV Club Members

Please join us in extending a warm Welcome to our newest Club members!

New Members	City	State / Province
Bayman, Chuck & Marcie	Columbia City	IN
Bisson, Michael & Gloria	Hemet	CA
Buckert, Arthur & Shirley	Victoria	TX
Callahan, Jack & Sue	Grove	OK
Claypool, Bill & Judy	Livingston	TX
Glenn, Allen & Susan	Richmond	VA
Hooker, James & Sallie	Mansfield	OH
McGaskill, Charles & Pam	Dallas	TX
Pond, Leland & Patricia	Rapid City	SD
Scott, Jim & Judy	Pueblo West	CO
Sexton, Brian & Chippy Senteneri	Sewell	NJ
Sowerby, Fred & Lynne	Bandera	TX

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## NEED TO CHANGE YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION

If you have changed your mailing address, email address, or cell phone, please do not forget to tell us about it. Let us know by sending an email to [catrvclubmembership@gmail.com](mailto:catrvclubmembership@gmail.com). Please include your FMCA number. Also, we can not share this information with FMCA, so let them know as well: <http://www.fmca.com>. In addition, any email address changes need to be submitted to iContact using the Manage Your Subscription link at the bottom of this page. [Return to Index](#)

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