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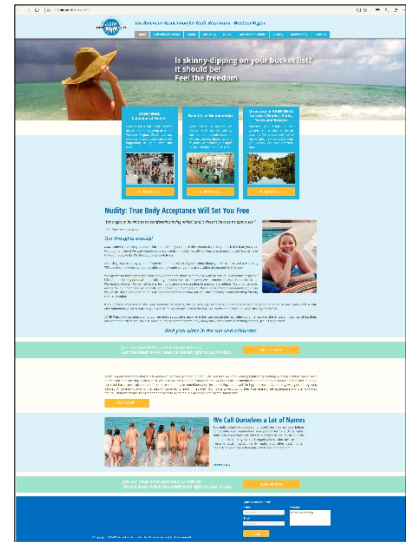
This is the first of our on-line regional newsletters to all members in AANR's Western 8-state region. We hope you will check back often to learn what is happening at the local clubs each month. We also hope to better our communication with you about the larger things that AANR is doing that can benefit your nudist experience.

New Web site: www.aanrwest.org

To begin with, you may notice this is being published on our brand-new web site. It was launched last month following several frustrating years with our old hosting company. We decided we needed a fresh look that was compatible with PC's, tablets, and smart phones. We wanted it to be a place our readers could read information about local clubs and resorts and be a resource for students and researchers seeking useful information about the social nudist movement. You will find information about our Sports programs, Youth Camps, and school Scholarships. There is also an area exclusive to women's issues, and an up-to-date directory of all the nudist clubs in our jurisdiction.

We will continue to improve the site as we continue to be active against harmful legislation or local self-appointed spokespersons who would try to harm our ability to practice our chosen way of life.

Feel free to use the comment section to send us your thoughts about the web site and your suggestions for how to improve it.



Regional Convention

At the end of each July, delegates from all the clubs meet for a few days to discuss issues of mutual concern, and also to elect officers and members of its board of directors for the coming year. 2017 turned out to be a year of decision on many levels, where delegates discussed streamlining some of the older procedural rules and candidates with fresh ideas clashed with those happy with the status quo. In the end, Gary Mussell from the Southern California Naturist Association, was elected President. Cyndi Faber from Arizona's Shangri-La club won Vice President. A new secretary was also elected, Danielle Smith (als from Shangri-La), and Russell Lucia was re-elected Treasurer.

Elected for the first time as directors were Ernie Weise from Mountain Air Ranch, Colorado) and Jeff Tendick (Shangri-la). Re-elected to the board of directors were Mike Glinzak from Olive Dell Ranch, California, and Andy Walden from the Hangin' Loose club in Hawaii. They join five other directors who were not up for election this year (they will be up for election in 2018). Together, the nine-person board makes policy, established priorities, and manages the budget for the various regional programs.

We will spend a little time each month discussing what the board is doing on behalf of its members.

Each board member gets assigned 2-3 clubs in the region to be its personal liaison to the board-as-a-whole. Your assigned liaison will be in contact with each club during the next month to hear any special problems you may have, and to listen to your suggestions. Please work with them to improve communication between us! If you are a member not affiliated with any local club, feel free to write to us directly through the web site.



Photos of Regional convention held at De Anza Springs Nudist Park, Jacumba, California July 28-30, 2017. Right: Swearing in of officers and new members of the Board of Directors.



Members enjoy digging in at the convention's Ice Cream Social. Staffing the information table are AANR-West President Gary Mussell, AANR-West VP Cyndi Faber, and AANR President Beverly Price.

Some of The Projects the Board is Working On:

- More face-to-face contact by hosting information booths and ice cream socials at clubs throughout the year.
- An increased presence at local travel shows and specialized community events such as Earth Day, Women's Workshops, 5K Runs, and chambers of commerce events.
- A re-thinking of the Scholarship program to make it more attractive to those of all ages who want to improve their technical or college-level skills.
- Expand our inter-club Sports activities to promote competition between individuals and parks for some nice trophies and awards.

Upcoming Activities September 14-30

These are major events only as each club holds weekly volleyball games and other parties besides those listed. Click the link to find out more information about the event.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event Description</u>	<u>Host Club</u>	<u>Club Link</u>
9/14/17	Nudestock	Laguna del Sol	www.lagunadelisol.com
9/16/17	Arabian Nights Costume Dance	Mira Vista	www.miravistaresort.com
9/16/17	California Beach Cleanup Day	SCNA	www.socialnaturist.org
9/17/17	33rd Annual Summerset Festival	Mountain Air Ranch	www.trynude.com
9/22/17	Celebrate De Anza's 20th Birthday!	De Anza Springs	www.deanzasprings.com
9/22/17	Cocktail Party in the Pool	Sequoians	www.sequoians.com
9/23/17	De Anza 5K Run to the Border	De Anza Springs	www.deanzasprings.c
9/23/17	Oktoberfest Dance	Mountain Air Ranch	www.trynude.com
9/23/17	Disco Night! Dance	Mira Vista	www.miravistaresort.com
9/23/17	Denim & Diamonds Dance	Glen Eden Sun Club	www.gleneden.com

9/23/17	Ice Cream Social & Pool Party	SCNA	www.socalnaturist.org
9/30/17	Fire Department Fundraiser	Mountain Air Ranch	www.trynude.com
9/30/17	Talent Show	Sequoians	www.sequoians.com

Upcoming Activities October 1-15

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event Description</u>	<u>Host Club</u>	<u>Club Link</u>
10/6/17	GE Fall Festival Weekend	Glen Eden Sun Club	www.gleneden.com
10/6-10/8	AANR-West Fall Festival	Shangri-La Ranch	www.lagunadelsol.com
10/7/17	Oktoberfest Party	Olympian Club	www.olympianclub.com
10/7/17	Glowing Man Costume & Dance	Mira Vista	www.miravistasort.com
10/7/17	BBQ Party on the Lawn	De Anza Springs	www.deanzasprings.com
10/7/17	Annual Highway Cleanup	Mountain Air Ranch	www.trynude.com
10/7/17	Home & RV Tour, Oktoberfest	Laguna del Sol	www.lagunadelsol.com
10/7/17	5K Run Shangri-La Ranch, Arizona	Shangri-La Ranch	www.shangrilaranch.com
10/13/17	Oct 13-15 Oktoberfest Weekend	Glen Eden Sun Club	www.gleneden.com
10/14/17	Oktoberfest Party	SCNA	www.socalnaturist.org
10/14/17	Wine Tasting	Sequoians	www.sequoians.com

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