

SOITC SUITE TALK

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North Central Rally, South Haven, Michigan

GET INVOLVED!

As we noted last month, there are many changes in the Board of Directors at SOITC. That means that there are even more ways to get involved than ever before and contribute to making this a great Owners Group and Travel Club.

We will be electing a new President and a couple new Regional Directors. The Treasurer will also be up for election – We hope David Brown will return to serve again!

We also need help with the International Rally in Sevierville next May. Parking assistance, Registration,

and kitchen help are required to make the event a success! Regional Rallies also work better with volunteers. The tasks may include setting up Happy Hours, working in the kitchen, presenting or finding entertainment.

We also can use other skills – do you write? Do you have great pictures of your DRV? Can you help moderate our electronic assets?

Regardless of the specifics, volunteering makes it more fun to be a member of SOITC because you meet and interact with people who share your interest.

GET INVOLVED!

SOITC is more fun when you actively participate.

FACEBOOK

Have you visited our Facebook Group lately?

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RALLIES

We are scheduling the 2021 rallies. Learn when and where so you can join us in the post-pandemic era.

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SOITC AND DRV LOGO GEAR

Check out the new order forms from Stitches on the Road.

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SOITC FACEBOOK GROUP

If you haven't visited our Facebook group lately, you haven't seen one of the most active parts of our club!

It has become a great place to share fun, travel tips and RV related issues. Your problems can find solutions with the others in our community. With about 1,200 members, about half of them being active, there is someone who has faced your issues.

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Although the SOITC Forum pages are still active, many of the activities that drew us to the forums are now part of the threads on Facebook. Fixes, part sourcing, nice RV parks, and all sorts of other interesting topics are posted and replied to on the group pages.

The group has become a great way to promote SOITC because it reaches beyond our direct members. You don't need to be a member of SOITC to join our Facebook group! It has become a great tool to promote rallies, lunches and other club events and thus SOITC. Once a non-member asks about the rally, they can be converted to members.

You can learn and you can teach other members as well as non-members who want to know more about our rigs. New DRV owners are an important part of the Facebook Group community. They can really use the help and guidance of more experienced owners as they figure out the idiosyncracies of our Mobile Suites.

Karen Buffington has done a tremendous job of administering the group. She is responsible for approving new members, keeping discussions civil, and ultimately the look and feel of an SOITC presence.

Regardless of your experience, I highly suggest that you spend a little time reviewing the SOITC Facebook Group! You'll be rewarded!



Due to the Covid-19 Pandemic, all planned 2020 and 2021 rallies were delayed by one year. As those dates are reset, keep an eye on the schedule. We are hoping for Regional Spring rallies in Oregon and Louisiana and elsewhere later in the year.

The 2021 International Rally will be held in Tennessee and plans are underway to hold a 2022 International Rally in the Western US. A western rally is being planned for Fall 2021.

Luncheons will resume in the spring. Keep an eye on the website for details as they become available!

We hope to be on a regular schedule again soon!

2021 SOUTH CENTRAL SPRING RALLY

April 6, 2021 - April 10, 2021

This year's spring rally we will be exploring the sites around Louisiana's oldest parish, Natchitoches. The history in the area goes back a couple of decades and when walking downtown, you will feel like you have stepped back in time.

The Rally will be at Grand Ecore RV Park. This campground has full hook up sites with concrete pads and plenty of room between sites. It is well away from city noises which makes for a peaceful stay. We have 30 sites reserved, some pull through and some back in.



FOR MORE INFORMATION ON SOITC RALLIES GO TO:

[HTTPS://WWW.SUITESOWNERS.COM](https://www.suitesowners.com)

SOUTH HAVEN RALLY REPORT

Additional pictures from the recent South Haven rally are available either at [Suitesowners.com](https://www.suitesowners.com) under Gallery or on the Facebook group site.



2021 SOITC INTERNATIONAL RALLY

May 10-14, 2021

River Plantation RV Resort
Sevierville, TN

Join us for a "Smoky Mountain Reunion" in the Great Smoky Mountains of Tennessee. Located just down the road from Cades Cove and just outside Sevierville, Tennessee, River Plantation RV Resort is located on the quiet banks of the Little Pigeon River with lots of big rig sites and has been a favorite location for SOITC rallies in the past. We have blocked off 150 sites. The rally fee includes activities, entertainment, seminars, 6 onsite continental breakfasts and 3 catered onsite dinners. Fees do not include camping fees.

REGISTER FOR THESE RALLIES NOW AT [SUITESOWNERS.COM!](https://www.suitesowners.com)

SOITC MERCHANDISE

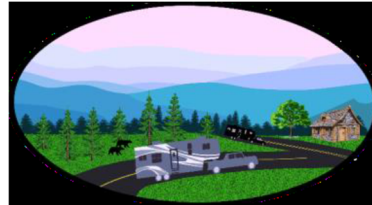
A few years ago SOITC decided to make **Stitches on the Road** the primary supplier for SOITC and DRV Gear. Recently Kevin and Tonya Hollis have become full-time RVers. Thus they have a new mailing address and other contact information.

They also have new merchandise to announce, including Shirts for the 2021 SOITC INTERNATIONAL RALLY in Sevierville, Tennessee. Both T-shirts and Polo shirts are available. The order form for these shirts is the the third tab down under Rallies on the website, under [2021 Int'l Rally Shirts](#). This is a fillable pdf form so you can now enter your order information directly on your computer and email it to Stitches on the Road. No Scanning!



Polo Shirt

Back of shirt



The new Stitches on the Road order form has all the usual logo gear including caps, shirts, cups, signs, sweatshirts for men and women sporting either the SOITC or the DRV logo. There are seven pages of great ways to show your pride in your Suite.

Again this has new addresses and is a fillable pdf form. It can be downloaded from either the Home menu on the website or by clicking [SOITC and DRV Logo Gear](#). The same link is available under About SOITC on the website.

Stitches on the Road has been a staunch supporter of SOITC for many years offering Rally shirts for both regional and international Rallies.

NEWSLETTER – SUITE TALK

This is the second newsletter for the club! If you like it, let me (Bill Schripsema) know! The intent is to create a monthly reminder for each of us about all the good things that come as a result of our SOITC membership. We will be looking for contributions and ideas for content. Send them to me at: Western@suitesowners.com.

WEBSITE

SUITESOWNERS.com has a new look!

We've updated the website with many changes. If you don't see them, click on the circular arrow in your browser to get the latest version.

