

ORVW March Rally
Winchester Bay RV and Marina
March 21st – 25th, 2024

Although the weather was blustery for a good portion of the time, the sun did come out now and then to remind us that true spring is just around the corner. Paulette Beliveau and June Willoughby hosted the weekend.

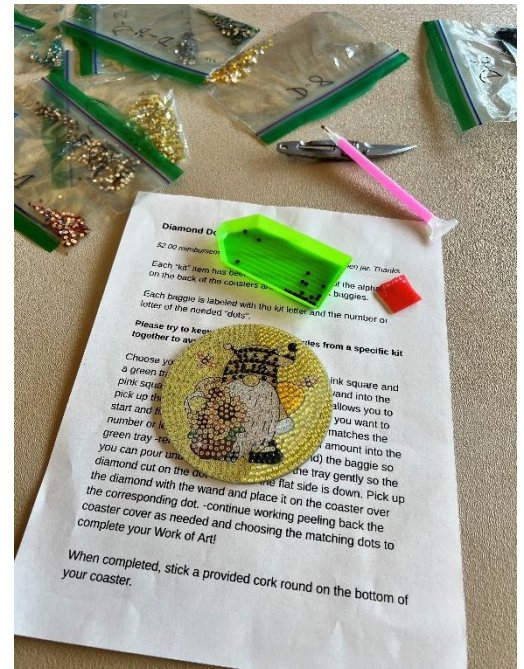


Sixteen rigs housed 22 women, plus our chapter Matriarch and her daughter who rented one of the cabins in the park, for 24 attendees. It is always a treat when Martha Lindegren (aka “Mom”), who is 102 years young, attends a rally.

The rally began in chapter tradition with a Friday pot luck. Paulette began the evening with a welcome and announcements. A Diamond Dot Dot craft activity was explained and laid out for anyone who wanted to create whimsical coasters. Evening

play saw 9 members playing Square Nine and Mom won the large pot with a low score of 24!

Saturday began with a continental breakfast and rain, rain, rain. Luckily the clubhouse here is premium quality and ORVW had private use for the whole weekend. In the afternoon 7 members played “Guess That Show Tune” using YouTube TV jingles from the 50’s and 60’s. Though we played the game last year, and some participants were repeats, our memories were still stretched to the max. Saturday is also a pot luck night for dinner. The clubhouse had a large TV which was tuned to the women’s March Madness basketball games. Weekend activities included a raffle with a quilt, won by Karen Rathbun. There were also two sets of quilted placemats, rope trivets and rope bowls drawn as prizes. The raffles have proven to be quite successful and pay for chapter expenses for our rallies. That evening we were serenaded by B. Gail Hiller and Pam Lee while we played our usual Square 9. We had two tables and Martha (Mom), sharp as a tack, won her table once again! Pam Byrne won the other table.



A continental breakfast was laid out on Sunday morning. Members spent the day walking when the rain let up, watching basketball, working on diamond dot coasters and generally visiting each other's rigs and catching up on winter news. There was one new-to-me rig to visit but at 10am the rain was coming down in sheets and Karen graciously agreed to put off the naming ceremony until next month's rally. Twelve members went to a local Chinese restaurant for dinner, others decided to walk to a nearby seafood restaurant for their dinner. Some members had already checked out having Monday obligations.



Monday morning we packed up, said our goodbyes, gave safe travel hugs and committed to seeing everyone at the April rally.