

# HTC Newsletter

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## Handicapped Travel Club President's Message

Hello Everyone,

Many of our members have been having health, RV, or other troubling issues. Please reach out to each other to connect in any supportive way possible.

Our club was founded in 1973 with the motto, GET OUT AND LIVE! Let's keep that attitude alive.

I encourage you to get out for Mini Rallies, Luncheons, or, other informal get togethers.

All members are ambassadors of the club, so let's keep in touch and wish each other well. It's nice to know others are thinking about you, and are concerned.

Regional Directors of our club will be calling members in their area, to encourage monthly zoom call participation, and attendance at our rallies. HTC is now part of Escapees as Birds of a Feather group. Many of our members attend Escapees events, especially the National Escapade, which will be held this year in Tucson, AZ.

Our 2026 National HTC Rally is coming up on October 11-15 in Bakersfield, CA. We are sure looking forward to a fun time. If you'd like to come, or, would like to invite non-members, all are welcome. The date for early enrollment has passed, but late applications are accepted. Please reach out to me at [gjcuciz@att.net](mailto:gjcuciz@att.net), or, 925-989-2330. You are encouraged to bring SILENT AUCTION items. All proceeds benefit the club. We also ask that you bring two pot luck items, and coins for games. We recently learned the scheduled rally entertainment Wild Bill will not be to able to make the rally ... perhaps he had some bad luck at the card table. No worries though ... because the world famous "Gus Flamingo" will be our rally entertainment.

Cheers to you all,

Your HTC President, Giancarlo Cuciz

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# 2026 Handicapped Travel Club (HTC) Rally Registration

October 11 to October 15.

## Orange Grove RV Park

1452 S. Edison Bakersfield, CA 93307

Rally starts on Sunday, October 11 and ends Thursday, October 15. Departure time is Friday morning at 11:00 October 16 unless prior arrangements made to arrive earlier, or stay longer (\$55/night) payable to Orange Grove RV Park on arrival at RV park. We will reserve your site, no need to call the RV park.

Guests are welcome and need not be HTC members.

### **DEADLINE TO REGISTER: August 30, 2026**

(Late registration is OK, but nightly rate approximately \$75/night, and RV likely not parked with group.)

**Wagon Masters: Giancarlo and Barbara Cuciz**

**925-989-2330**

[GJCuciz@att.net](mailto:GJCuciz@att.net)

**Name(s) of those attending:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Your contact information** Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**RV Year/Make/Length:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date of your Arrival:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date of your Departure:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Rally fee is \$35/person, payable in cash to Wagon Masters at rally.**

Rally Fee: \$35.00 per Persons X \_\_\_\_\_ Total Rally Fee = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Example. For two people, \$35 X 2 persons equals \$70.

To attend the Rally, **Please send Rally Registration** to Giancarlo and Barbara Cuciz at [GJCuciz@att.net](mailto:GJCuciz@att.net).

Giancarlo and Barbara Cuciz

16551 Los Positas Way

Tracy, CA 95304

**Please bring:** Coins for games, **Silent auction items**, bring one dinner item for potluck dinner evening, and bring one appetizer item for appetizer evening.

## **Message from our Treasurer**

HTC has a special interest group within the Escapees RV Club.

Details can be found on the HTC Club website at <https://handicappedtravelclub.com/escapees/>.

## **Future Events**

Monthly on 3rd Wednesday

**Monthly Zoom Meetings**

Online/Virtual

The monthly zoom meeting is scheduled for the 3rd Wednesday every month at 4:00 PM pacific time/7:00 PM eastern. Be sure to adjust for your local time zone:

4:00 pm PST

5:00 pm MST

6:00 pm CST

7:00 pm EST

You should have been receiving an email from [BradBartz@hotmail.com](mailto:BradBartz@hotmail.com) the Monday before the zoom meeting with the connection information. It's the same each month. If you're not receiving the monthly reminders, please email [BradBartz@hotmail.com](mailto:BradBartz@hotmail.com).

## **HTC 2026 Annual Rally**

**Bakersfield, California**

October 11th - 15th

Our 2026 HTC Annual Rally will be October 11-15 at the [Orange Grove RV Park](#) in Bakersfield, California. Bakersfield is an agricultural area with oil field, Basque, and railroad history.

We're excited to be your wagon Masters, and want to provide a chance to reunite, celebrate our club, and enjoy our traditional plus some new activities.

The RV park will extend the rally rate of \$55/night to our group, including any early arrivals or late departure dates. We will need a final roster of those coming by August 30, 2026. After August 30, you're welcome to sign up but nightly rate will be about \$75/ night, and you may not be parked with our group.

RESERVATIONS for RV Park will be done by WAGON MASTERS. Once the registration sheet is provided and completed, we'll notify the RV park. You'll pay them upon arrival.

Rally fee will be \$35/person, also payable upon arrival.

Non HTC guests are most welcome.

Orange Grove RV park provides a big Western themed meeting room, wood stove, full kitchen, swimming pool, very clean and accessible bathrooms and laundry. All sites are full hook up, pull through. Propane, and RV wash area, dog parks are available.

There are hotels 2 miles from the park. Airport is 12 miles away, hosting American and United airlines.

Please save the date and come join the fun. This yearly rally is a real treat, and gives us a chance to enjoy each other in person.

More information to follow, with updates via the zoom meetings and through the newsletter.

Barbara and Giancarlo Cuciz, your Wagon Masters

**925-989-2330**

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