



May 2011 Key West Rally



FROM OUR SUNSET CRUISE SHIP



CAMP SITE



CATERED DINNER WITH
STEEL DRUM MUSIC

Dear Leap'n Lions Friends,

Once again Gary and Hope Keighley have treated us to a spectacular, well-organized, unforgettable rally. From May 1 to May 5 fifteen coaches experienced Key West in all its glory in near perfect weather while staying at a waterfront RV resort in a quiet area a few short miles from downtown Key West.

Starting with a gourmet dinner under a waterside canopy accompanied by a delightful musician playing a steel drum plus various instruments (which he passed around for us to play with) we got into the Key West laid-back attitude.


The next day our private Trolley picked us up for a tour of Key West with a guide who knew how to keep us laughing while pointing out all the high spots and history, to give us a good overview of what we could explore later on our own. Later that evening private vans picked us up at camp for a 2-hour Sunset Champagne Cruise on a catamaran. The sun did its thing on schedule with spectacular results.

Early the next morning our vans took us to the Yankee Freedom II for the 2½ hour ferry trip out to the Dry Tortugas National Park complete with breakfast and lunch on board. We received a tour of Fort Jefferson which gave us an historical view of the Dry Tortugas plus some bird watching and tips on where to find the most interesting underwater sights for those of us who took advantage of the snorkeling equipment provided. This National Park was on our "bucket list" and was a once-in-a-lifetime experience.

Our last day was a free day to explore on our own... and explore we all did hitting the spots that tickled our individual fancies. That evening our vans delivered us to Mallory Square so we could experience the necessary time-honored sunset acts and soak up the Key West flavor while watching the sun go down on yet another day of unforgettable memories.

The Keighley rallies are indeed a Born Free treasure. They never disappoint and we look forward to many more of them.

Sue and Eric Sandstrom
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OUR CATERED LONDON BROIL DINNER




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