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President's Message

Hello fellow club members!

Well we are in another new year and another new decade! Let's make this year a great new year for us all and for Monaco International. A lot has been going on over the last few weeks. The Savannah, GA rally, April 5 thru 9, 2020, is going along at a great pace. It has sold out and 2nd VP Duane Lindsey and crew have done a fantastic job in getting it set up and moving. It really should be a great time for everyone who is going! Savannah, Ga has a lot to offer!



Thanks to Past President Wilma Jean Alexander, the set up and planning for the pre rally (FMCA Tucson rally) being held in Benson, March 19 thru 23, 2020, is in high gear. The registration for the Benson pre rally is in this newsletter and on our web site. Wilma Jean could always use some help if anyone has a little time to give. Please check it out as there will only be a set number of sites available.

We have great news in reference to the Pre-Rally scheduled before the Lincoln NE FMCA rally. 1st VP Mike Sanders and his partner, Sharon Riley, have stepped up and have volunteered to be rally masters for this event. They are actively working to locate a suitable site in the area for our pre rally. Mike and Sharon are looking for members to help out in putting on a fantastic rally for us all. All the information for this rally is coming very soon.

The other great rally that Monaco sponsors is the Balloon Fiesta held in Albuquerque, NM, October 7 thru 10, 2020. Harry and Sandy Henschel and crew are moving along at a very fast pace. The Balloon Fiesta is also filling up very rapidly. Please sign up as soon as possible to guarantee your spot for this fantastic event.

I would like to give a huge "thank you" to Duane, Harry, Wilma Jean and Mike and Sharon for working as hard as they have helping with these rallies.

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President's Message continued

Monaco is actively looking for more members to help in putting on these and future rallies. Monaco International is actively trying to put on events all over the country, not only East and West but Central locations as well! We are aggressively looking at locations all over the USA and Canada, as well as our rallies in 2021 and 2022 and maybe even beyond! Please think about helping out! Your help is greatly needed and appreciated! Monaco International is always looking for help in various areas. Filling potential openings on the executive board and regional directors is always a possibility as well. Please reach out to any of our regional directors or officers to let us know you are interested.

The Executive Board is actively looking to bring Monaco International up to date with our by-laws and standing orders/rules. Nancy Wolfe is heading up a committee to help with that. There will be more news from that committee very soon!

In closing, thank you to everyone that is offering suggestions and opinions! New ideas are being explored and evaluated for future consideration. Also, thank you to everyone who is working very hard for our club, Monaco International! Without your help, this would never work!

Again, a sincere thank you!

Dale Johnson, President

Help! Volunteers Needed!



Mentors are our greatest need

- Contact 1st Timer a week or so before they come to the rally and answer any questions they have.
- Have them call you when they arrive. Once they are set up, you can meet them in person and show them around the buildings the rally is using, etc. Introduce them to any officers or members you meet.
- Explain the difference in the color badges the officers wear. This helps people know who are the current and past officers.
- Make sure they know about the 1st Timers' Meeting and join them if possible.
- It would be great if you could contact them after the rally.

Block Party Help

- Helping out and assist in running the block party. After a few times, volunteer to run the Block Parties.
- Ask non-members to join us. Remind them to bring an appetizer, their own drink, and a chair.

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Meet Mike Sanders

Our First Vice President Message



Hello everyone!

I appreciate this opportunity to tell you a little about myself. I am Mike Sanders and currently your First Vice President of Monaco International.

My journey with this organization began with my wonderful mentors Bill and Sue Haught. The two of them had answers for questions I didn't even think to ask! They knew everyone and they did their level best to introduce me to everyone. Their knowledge of the organization left me in awe! Thanks to members like them, I found true ownership in MI.

I am a father, a papaw, a great papaw, a Marine, and retired with 30 years in Law Enforcement. Like many of you, I did the family thing with tents, trailers, and coaches while I was employed. My better half, Sharron, and I planned ahead and now we are living our dream.

2007 was a fantastic year for me. I retired, we purchased our 2007 Diplomat and shortly after, we joined Monaco International. We haven't slowed down since. We have crisscrossed through most of the states and visited many National Parks, National Monuments, and Historic sites. We are truly living the dream!

While attending my first rally, I learned volunteers get the fast lane to new and lasting friendships. As a volunteer as a MI sheriff, you get ample opportunities to meet and greet fellow members. Or maybe you are considering volunteering on the trams or even better, the golf cart transportation. Once you've gotten members on a golf cart, the questions and answers flow freely to and from the volunteer driver. I'm not sure we didn't solve most of the problems of the whole world on some of those short trips. I like to think the short interactions were always positive. If you really want a tasty opportunity, consider volunteering at the ice cream socials, kinda self explanatory. A whole different story in itself is the volunteer parking. In short the attitudes of the coach driver and the volunteer parkers determines the outcome of the parking ordeal / experience. How many of us have thought or stated "For goodness sake fellow, I've driven from the East to the West to get here, just tell me where you want it, and I'll put it there!" Parkers bite your tongue, he didn't mean that figuratively. He doesn't really mean for you to tell him where to put it. "Sorry buddy, my wife says you're getting me too close to that other coach". "We use the driver's side and passenger side in directions, eliminating you having to wonder if I mean your left or my left or your other left".

Ok, now it's time for the cold hard facts. Just as the calendar shows seasons change, we also know people have life changes, many beyond our control. You guessed it, MI is experiencing changes also. I'm hearing when and where are the MI rallies? Who determines what we do at the rallies? The questions can go on forever. We, the MEMBERS, are MI. The officers are volunteer MI members. Simply put - the membership determines the answers to all the questions by getting involved! Contact your Regional Directors and Officers with any and all suggestions you might have. If you live in the area of a future rally, who knows better than you what that location has to offer. You may have possible information such as local catering, campgrounds, entertainment and things of interest in the area. If you've recently traveled in the area let us know your likes and dislikes as well. This is how future MI questions are answered, and rallies are planned and enjoyed. Please visit YOUR MI website www.MIRVClub.com often and enjoy YOUR MI newsletters. As always, safe travels and looking forward to meeting you at our next rally.

Mike Sanders

Welcome Our New Members

Name	City	State	Coach	Year	Region
Bruce & Bess Klein	Prescott	AZ	Fleetwood	2017	2
Joseph & Deanne Torpy	Hilton Head	SC	Navigator	2017	4
Ronald & Joy Golembieski	Brewerton	NY	Dynasty	2007	5
Mark & Maria Johnson	Hilliard	FL	Diplomat	2001	4
Ray & Pam Carter	Tucson	AZ	Cayman	2008	2
Shaun & Lynne Murphy	Murfreesboro	TN	Signature	2005	4
Walter & Bonnie Porter	Brentwood	NH	Camelot	2006	5
Christine & Dan Giancarlo	Birmingham	MI	Fleetwood	2017	6
Paul & Susan Anderson	Bloomfield Hills	MI	Fleetwood	2017	6
Paul & Cindy Pronze	Canton	MI	Navigator	2005	6
Robert & Sue Cloak	Prescott	AZ	Zanzibar	2002	6
Phares A & Karen Noel II	West Bloomfield	MI	Signature	2007	6

TECH TIPS



When taking your rig out of storage and/or getting it ready to hit the road for the years travel, it behooves you to check the age of your tires. If they are over **SEVEN** years, no matter the tread depth or the overall look, etc., they should be replaced! Tires over **SEVEN** years of age have a tendency to fail. The expenditure is well worth not having tire failure at highway speeds.



To verify the tire age, note the date of manufacture is the last four digits of the DOT code. The first two digits are the week of manufacture, and the last two digits are the year. For example, if the last four digits of the DOT code is 0203, that means that the **tire** was manufactured during the second week of the year 2003.

SAFE TRAVELS! *John Lee*



**The 102nd FMCA
Convention will be held
at the Lancaster Center
in Lincoln, NE,
August 26-29, 2020.
Please mark your
calendars for the
**Monaco International
Pre-Rally
August 20-24, 2020**
See you there!**



Meet the Murphy's

Shaun and Lynne Murphy

Short story.

We are Shaun and Lynne Murphy. Originally from southeast Louisiana but due to Katrina, we have relocated to Murfreesboro, TN. We are both retired (Shaun from the Fire Department and I was a Special Education Teacher). We have been married 32 years and have two, two legged kids. Our son is 28 and our daughter is now 25 years old.

We have been camping all our lives and will continue until the BIG Guy upstairs says that's enough! We own a 2005 Monaco Signature Platinum 4 since July, 2019, and absolutely love it! If you ever see us around, come say "hi". There are no strangers in our book, only friends we have not met yet.

FMCA UPDATE

This is an update on FMCA happenings you should be aware of or might have an interest in since the September Newsletter. The BIG change was the move of the Summer 2020 International Convention from New York to Lincoln, NE. While all thought that the details had been hammered out with New York, the state had not signed the contract in October so the Executive Board dropped it and immediately looked for other suitable venues. The dates for the Summer Convention are August 25th through 29th. The Annual Membership Meeting will be on August 29th. The Governing Board will also meet during the Convention.

On a side note, Mike Sanders and Sharron Riley have been extremely busy in securing a suitable site for the MI Pre-Rally that is within close proximity to Lincoln.

Other Conventions are still on track as follows:

Winter/Spring, 2020: Tucson, AZ March 26th - 29th

Summer, 2020: Lincoln, NE August 25th - 29th

Winter/Spring, 2021: Perry, GA

Summer, 2021: Gillette, WY

Winter/Spring, 2022: Tucson, AZ

Summer, 2022: Lincoln, NE or Sedalia, MO

Winter/Spring, 2023: Perry, GA

Summer, 2023: Lincoln, NE or Sedalia, MO

All, except the 2020 Conventions are dependent on successful contract negotiations.

FMCA Note:

As of the Western Area Rally held in Indio, CA in early January, the number of FMCA Family Members still stands at over 80,000. This number includes approximately 5,500 towables.

While there have been losses attributed to the dues increase, new memberships have offset the loss and the vast majority recognize the very valuable benefit of FMCA Assist!

Monaco International Website

<http://MIRVClub.com>

Recipes for Your Convection Oven

by Carolyn Banks

Most of you are aware that I went on a low-carb diet 2 years ago to eliminate my pre-diabetic condition. Dan and I have stayed with many of the recipes from that period, and these are two of the easiest and tastiest zero carbs essentially, although the brown sugar does contribute. We usually have these with steamed (or sautéed) broccoli and baby carrots, or a baked sweet potato with butter. And I will say that we've gone more often to the boneless chops now, just so we don't have to mess with a bone. Hope you enjoy them!



BAKED BONE-IN PORK CHOPS

Ingredients

2 pork chops, bone-in, $\frac{1}{2}$ to 1 inch thick
 $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
 $\frac{3}{4}$ teaspoon salt
2 teaspoons brown sugar

Use low rack. Preheat oven to 325 deg F. Rinse pork chops and pat dry with paper towels. Line a shallow baking pan with foil and spray foil with nonstick spray. (I use my round pizza pan because it fits easily on the microwave-convection turntable.)

Mix seasonings well and rub into both sides of pork chops. Rub it in good. Place chops in baking pan and cover lightly with foil. Bake for 15 minutes.

Turn chops over and cook an additional 15 minutes. Remove from oven and let pork chops rest on a plate for 5 minutes before serving.



EASY BAKED PORK CHOPS

Ingredients

4 boneless pork chops, 1 inch thick
2 teaspoons salt
1 teaspoon smoked paprika
4 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil
1 teaspoon black pepper
1 teaspoon onion powder

Use low rack. Preheat oven to 400 deg F. Line a shallow baking pan with foil and spray foil with nonstick spray. Rub each pork chop on both sides with olive oil.

In a small bowl, mix together salt, pepper, paprika, and onion powder. Season all sides of the pork chop with this mix. Place seasoned pork chops onto the prepared baking sheet.

Bake in the preheated oven for 15 to 20 minutes, or until pork chops reach an internal temperature of 145 deg F (which will depend on how thick the pork chops are.)

NOTE: Some people are concerned about the amount of salt. If you are sensitive to salt, or on a low-sodium diet, reduce the amount of salt and add more to taste when serving.

ENJOY!

UPCOMING RALLIES YOU MIGHT BE INTERESTED IN

March 19 - 23, 2020

MI Pre-Rally in Benson, AZ — Will caravan into Tucson for the FMCA Winter/Spring Convention to be held at Pima County Fairgrounds March 26-29. (MI Website)

March 19 - 24, 2020

RV Driving School (Register at fmca.com) Pima County Fairgrounds Tucson, AZ.

March 23 - 25, 2020

RV Basics (Register at fmca.com) Pima County Fairgrounds Tucson, AZ.

March 26 - 29, 2020

FMCA's 101st International Convention & RV Expo, Tucson, AZ. (fmca.com)

April 5 - 9, 2020

MI's Destination Rally at Creekside Motor Ranch Savannah, GA. (MIRVClub.com)

April 15—19, 2020

Tri-State Traveliers, Natural Springs Resort, New Paris, OH

April 30 - May 7, 2020

Ramblin Pushers 419 Maintenance Session in Goshen, IN. (www.ramblinpushers.org)

June 17 - 20, 2020

Great Lakes Area Rally, Allegan, MI. (lnaylor@fmca.com)

June 24 - 27, 2020

Northwest Area Rally, Roseburg, OR. (dschleuse@fmca.com)

July 2—7th and July 8—13th, 2020

International Area, Calgary Stampede (gschremp@fmca.com)

August 11—15, 2020

Midwest Area Rally, Manchester, Iowa

August 20—24, 2020

MI's Pre-Rally prior to the FMCA Summer Convention in Lincoln, NE. In the planning stage

August 26 - 29, 2020

FMCA's 102nd International Convention in Lincoln, NE.

September 16 - 19, 2020

South Central Area Rally - Shawnee, OK. (jwright@fmca.com)

September 30 - October 4, 2020

Eastern Area Rally, Lewisburg, WV. (mallory@fmca.com)

October 7 - 11, 2020

MI's renowned Balloon Fiesta Rally in Albuquerque, NM. (MIRVClub.com)

October 22 - 25, 2020

RMMA Ramble (Rocky Mountain Area Rally) - Pima County Fairgrounds Tucson, AZ. (jerickson@fmca.com)

January 3—10, 2021

Monaco Romer's Pre Rally at Riverside Fairgrounds Indio, CA

January 6—10, 2021

Western Area Rally at Riverside Fairgrounds, Indio, CA

January 13—17, 2021

Monaco Travelers—Tampa RV SuperShow, Tampa Florida

SNACK



TIME!

Are you going to the SEA Rally?



Please join us at the SEA Rally. MI will be having a Block Party and you do not want to miss it! All you have to do is bring your favorite beverage and an appetizer to the party.



Condition of FMCA

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At the FMCA Booth in Quartzite, AZ, also in January, it was surprising how many members asked if they could renew their FMCA membership, but without the “Medical Insurance”, which they attributed to the dues increase. FMCA does NOT provide medical insurance as part of the membership. What IS included in your dues is FMCAssist which is a medical evacuation plan to get you, or your mortal remains, your traveling companions, pets, coach, and tow back to your home base or where the medical establishment feels you need to go for further treatment. This coverage is worldwide whether you are in your RV or not. If you need more information on FMCAssist, what it is, what it covers, and what it doesn't cover, you can contact the FMCA Office at: 800-543-3622 or contact me at: hands1968@me.com or 719-339-9237 and I will get you the information. There is also a very good article starting on page 68 of the January, 2020 issue of **Family RVing**.

On a related note, the FMCA Risk Review Committee is actively pursuing other providers of plans similar to FMCAssist that we have through Seven Corners Discount Programs. The Executive Board approved a partnership agreement with Newcoast Financial Services to offer members financing options for their RVs. In addition, the Executive Board also approved a partnership agreement with RV Whisper to offer members a pet and RV monitoring system.

Hope to see you in Tucson and Lincoln.

Submitted By:

Harry Hentschel
MI National Director

Norma Preston
MI Alternate National Director

Springtime in Savannah, a Destination Rally

Sponsored by Monaco International RV Club

There will be no:

Vendors

Seminars

Catered Dinners or Breakfasts other than the Riverboat Dinner Cruise

We Will Have:

A Good Time

Tour of Ft Pulaski National Monument & Tybee Island Lighthouse and

Other activities to be announced

BYOB Happy Hour every evening under a tent

Any Questions, Please call, text or email the Rally Master

Duane Lindsey

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2020 MI BALLOON FIESTA RALLY

October 7-10, 2020

It's not too late to sign up, but don't procrastinate as the rally is two-thirds full as of February 1st. The rally will open up to non-members sponsored by an MI member attending the rally in mid-April. In 2019, we had a significant "Waiting List" at the end of the day on April 15th.

If you have not been to this event with MI in recent years, you can review the Recap of the 2019 Rally in the December Newsletter. If you have questions, don't hesitate to contact the Hentschel's at

(hands1969@me.com or hhsh1968@gmail.com, 719-339-9237; or 719-237-5412) or the Smaley's at rogersmalley@ymail.com; or carolgriffinsmalley@yahoo.com; 618-593-5352 or 618-537-999.



MONACO INTERNATIONAL 2020 BALLOON FIESTA RALLY

Hosted By --- Harry & Sandy Hentschel & Roger & Carol Smalley

Albuquerque, New Mexico

Wednesday, October 7 – Saturday, October 10, 2020

Departure on Sunday October 11, 2020 after morning ballooning events



The Balloon Fiesta is the most photographed event in the world.

600 balloons come from around the world to participate in the greatest spectacle of its kind. You won't believe your eyes as 100 or more special shaped balloons take off to create a menagerie in the sky. See Mass Ascensions, Night Glows, Special Shapes Glows, Races, Key Grab Competition, Fireworks, and more. Nearby for your entertainment – Golf, Casinos, Shopping, Fine Restaurants, etc.



We will be parked in the VIP West area which is immediately adjacent to the launch site.

This will be Dry Camping and no hook-ups. However, water and honey wagon are available for a fee.

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There will be NO REFUNDS unless your cancellation request is received by e-mail (prior to July 15th) or mailed and post-marked by July 15th or your space can be filled from the wait list. Registration confirmations will be emailed. If you want a confirmation mailed, please enclose a stamped, return addressed envelope.

**Sign up online
(Preferred)
at**

WWW.MIRVCLUB.COM

The rally fee includes

Parking, admission to all ballooning events, welcome dinner, one luncheon, two breakfasts and the Bring Your Own Beverage social hour with appetizers provided each afternoon before the evening Fiesta activities.

Sign up Information Required:

- MI Member? YES _____ NO _____ FMCA # _____
- Non-MI members must have a MI sponsor attending Rally. MI Sponsor's name: _____

Names: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone# _____ Cell# _____

E-Mail Address: _____

All Rally related correspondence will be sent to this e-mail address

Coach Make _____ Coach Length _____

Names of Guests: _____
(all guests must be preregistered regardless of age)

**Please make checks payable to:
Monaco International Balloon Fiesta Rally**

**Mail to: Monaco International
c/o Sandy Hentschel
3520 Windjammer Drive
Colorado Springs, CO 80920**

Please check if this will be your first time at the Balloon Fiesta with Monaco international.

MI Member Coach	2 persons	\$550
MI Member Coach	1 person	\$500
Non-MI Coach	Additional	\$150
Extra person (13 & Above)	each	\$150
Extra person 6-12	each	\$ 90
Extra person under 6 free (but must be registered)		_____
TOTAL		_____

Maintenance Education and More

Not many MI related Happy Hours and Campfires go by without lament over the loss of the Monaco Technicians to provide service at our rallies. That is especially true for those who can recall back eight or more years. Virtually all owners of coaches with brands owned by Monaco take a great deal of pride in their RV and want to keep it in top condition. This has become more challenging in recent years with the loss of technicians at the rallies and significantly degraded on-line technical support. All of that notwithstanding, there is a great opportunity available for us to increase our RV knowledge and have annual service on the major systems of the coach and other maintenance and installation work done while being at an RV event. I refer to it as an event to avoid the use of the term “rally”.

The Ramblin’ Pushers Maintenance Session (MS) is held annually in early May at the Elkhart County 4-H Fairgrounds in Goshen, Indiana, right in the heart of RV country. Now in its thirtieth year, it started as an organization specifically for owners of Holiday Rambler diesel pushers. About six years ago, Monaco coaches and the Monaco legacy brands (Beaver and Safari) were invited to the Maintenance Session. Soon, American Coach, Fleetwood and the Renegade Super-C motorhomes accounted for all of the diesel motorhomes produced by REV.



A significant number of MI members are also members of Ramblin’ Pushers and vice-versa. Many of us have attended, not just once, but upon realizing the value of the MS, have returned again and again. Our Balloon Fiesta rally co-hosts are also active members of the Ramblin’ Pushers. Being in the heart of RV country, the MS is able to attract a number of highly trained service professionals and service providers, many of whom came from the old Monaco assembly plant. In addition, virtually all of the major component suppliers such as Lippert (LCI), Dometic/Attwood, and Suburban, are also located in the immediate area and attend the MS in order to conduct seminars and provide various service jobs.



While the primary focus of the MS is on the proper maintenance and safe operation of our motor-homes, there is also a significant lifestyle component. These offerings include Tips and Tricks, Roundtable Discussions, a wide variety of crafts, and non- technical presentations for those less interested in the nuts and bolts topics.

This year, the MS runs from arrival day, April 30th, until departure day, May 7th. The vast majority of the sites at the MS have full hook-ups, but the few that may have only water and electric service can have one free pump out. You can find more information and download a registration form at the Ramblin’ Pushers website: www/ramblinpushers.org.

While all sites are assigned on the basis of registration date, there is a possibility that if groups arrive together, they may be able to park together. The best way to request group parking is to register together and arrive together. The Fairgrounds is not overly large and a number of golf carts are available to shuttle passengers around the grounds. Don’t lose sight of the fact that this is also a great opportunity, not only to see old friends, but make new ones who share your interest in maintaining their quality coach.

Submitted by: Harry Hentschel, 719-339-9237
in Collaboration with: Roger Smalley,



Monaco International Destination Rally

April 5, 2020 - April 9, 2020

**Creekfire Motor Ranch
275 Fort Argyle Road
Savannah, Georgia 31419**

Brand new RV park with pull thru concrete sites
with 20/30/50 amp electric, water, sewers & Wi-fi.

\$460 coach with 2 people

\$380 coach with 1 person

+\$80 each additional person

Includes:

Riverboat Dinner Cruise

(with soft drinks, coffee, tea & cash bar)

Happy Hour each night under the Tent

(BYOB and snacks to share.)

Welcome Hot Dog Dinner

Potluck Dinner

Tour Fort Pulaski & Tybee Island Lighthouse

Optional dinner at The Shell House

(Dutch treat)

Registration deadline January 4, 2020.



From the VP of Membership

Since our last Newsletter, we have had 12 new members from all over the country. This is great! It makes for a mixture of ideas and thoughts to be shared by all.

It's that time of year to renew one's membership dues and that makes for a busy time for Dick, our Treasurer, Steve, our Web Master, and myself. But..... I enjoy it and am able to communicate with several people and help with their questions and problems. If anyone has either a question or a problem, please let me know and I will get back to you quickly. "lpt1@seidata.com"

Bob & I will not be at the Benson, AZ rally or the FMCA rally. Norma Preston will be taking over my responsibilities during the Benson, AZ rally. If you plan to attend and are a New Member within the last few months and haven't received your coach plaque, ask Norma for one.

Bob and I will be at the MI rally in Savannah, GA and the summer rally (TBA) near Lincoln, NE and again, if you have not received your coach plaque, please contact me.

Lois Tucker



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TIPS AND TRICKS

Toilet Paper Cardboard

Save toilet paper cardboard rolls and use them to put electrical appliance cords in them. It prevents the cords from laying all over the place and makes it compact for storage. You can also cut them in half, put several in a box and put your all your charger cords in them.

Odors While Traveling

To keep odors from coming up in the drains while traveling, push down all your sink stoppers. Also, you can purchase a rubber stopper and place it over the drain in your shower. You can leave it there while taking a shower to soak your feet, however be careful, don't let the water run over the step.

More Tips and Tricks in the next newsletter

Sandy Henschel



If you have already registered, thanks for responding to the previous invitation. We still have space for 25 coaches, which means we are half-way there in terms of our maximum attendees. The deadline for registration is FEBRUARY 19 due to the campground restrictions. Please go online today and register.

Details will be sent to those who register via e-mail around March 1st

Arrival time is 2 p.m. on March 19. However, you may choose to arrive on the 17th or 18th by calling the campground directly for reservations. A welcoming social hour is planned for 4:30pm at the San Pedro RV Resort Conference Center followed by dinner at a local restaurant. Bingo is scheduled in the Conference Center at 7pm.

On Friday, March 20, breakfast will be served in the Conference Center at San Pedro followed by our excursion, with suggested activities, to Tombstone for the day. We will return to Benson for dinner at a local restaurant followed by entertainment by Rally J at the Conference Center. This entertainment is provided by the resort for all residents.

On Saturday, March 21, we begin the day with breakfast in the Conference Center followed by seminars. Topics include, but are not limited to, use of convection ovens, tips on motorhoming lifestyle, planning of rallies, maintenance and upkeep of motorhomes, maintenance of heating systems, style show for the ladies, and possibly one or more craft classes. If you have skills/talents which you would be willing to share in seminar format, please contact me at 309-824-0652.

On Sunday, March 22, church services are scheduled in the Conference Center with a social time starting at 7:30am and service from 8:30-9:30am. If we are able to arrange for breakfast for our group, it will have to be outside. Plans are still tentative. We are confirming plans to spend the day in Bisbee with suggested activities.

Of course, all plans are tentative. Things do seem to change as time moves on. But we will always attempt to provide more services and activities, never shortchange you.

We are negotiating with a dealer for show coaches and service.

One SERVICE PROVIDER, Lloyd DeGerald Services, will be onsite and welcomes advance scheduling for service by calling Verda at 501-590-5698. Lloyd will present a seminar, "Maintenance & Repair of Aqua Hot/Hydronic Units", on Saturday, March 21 at 9am in the San Pedro Conference Center.

Make time in your busy schedule to join Monaco International in Benson, AZ at the San Pedro RV Resort for time of SUN, FUN, SITES in ARIZONA from March 19-23, 2020. If you've attended our rallies previously, you know there is always something for everyone but you must get involved if you are to enjoy our time together.

Go online to mirvclub.com and register today

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Rally Master
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SUN, FUN, & SITES IN ARIZONA



PRE-RALLY

**March 19-23, 2020
San Pedro RV Resort
Benson, AZ**

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This rally is sponsored by the
Monaco International Chapter of FMCA
and is open to all motorized
recreational vehicles.

Rally Price includes:

Welcome Social
3 Breakfasts, Dinners
& Social Hours
Entertainment
Seminars
4 nights parking
(March 19-23)

Early parking available on March 17th & 18th

\$35/night for 30A W/S/E
\$40/night for 50A W/S/E

All **early** parking fees **MUST** be included
with registration

First Name _____

Second Name _____

(First and last name for EACH person)

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email _____ Phone _____

Please add me to your e-mail/newsletter mailings FMCA # _____

Coach Year/Model _____ Coach Length _____

Handicapped? Yes No (Must have state-issued handicapped placard)

Would you like to be a volunteer? Yes No Interest _____

First Timer? Caravanning to FMCA March 23rd Parking with MI

COST	FEE	AMOUNT
<input type="checkbox"/> Monaco International Member Coach and 1 adult	100.00	
<input type="checkbox"/> Extra person in coach or spouse add	80.00	
<input type="checkbox"/> Non Monaco International Member (per coach) add	50.00	
<input type="checkbox"/> W/S/E - 50 Amp—4 nights rally (per coach) * add	*160.00	
<input type="checkbox"/> Early Parking (50 Amp) W/S/E per night up to 2 nights add	Per night 40.00	
<input type="checkbox"/> W/S/E - 30 Amp—4 nights rally (per coach) * add	*140.00	
<input type="checkbox"/> Early Parking (30 Amp W/S/E) per night up to 2 nights add	Per night 35.00	
*Must be postmarked by February 19, 2020 TOTAL REMITTANCE		

REGISTER EARLY

Save time and postage

Register online at www.MIRVClub.com
or Mail this form with Check to:

Monaco International Pre-Rally

Bob & Jane White
17200 W. Bell Road, Lot 1769
Surprise, AZ 85374

email: monaco2015rallys@aol.com

Phone

Jane—909-560-3816
Bob—909-967-8106

*You **MUST** select 30 amp or 50 amp above in addition to rally fee.

Confirmation Package: E-MAIL or HOLD

Packet will be held at the gate for those without e-mail access.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: February 19, 2020

**Cancellation request must be received by 02/19/2020
for refund.**