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A special thanks is given to Monaco RV, LLC for their financial support of each of our past caravans. We hope it will resume again in the near future. Please let Stella Shelton know you appreciate her expert guidance and support

Busy MIM Members have been planning caravans! Look on our website: www.monacosinmotion.org

President's Comments

JeanAnn and I have just enjoyed participating in two superb caravans, which both were the essence of what Monacos-in-Motion are all about – very well researched and beautifully planned caravans, with great camaraderie among the participants! Beautiful Oregon was led by Stan and Barbara Jones and Wayne and Barbara McCray and showcased the state of Oregon, with its many and varied attractions throughout the state (and Tillamook cheese and Marionberry pies - and cool weather!) Glaciers to Geysers was led by Wilt and Barbara Greenwood and Ed and Connie Tilman and showcased Glacier, Yellowstone and Grand Tetons National Parks (by the way, we all found out what a grand teton is), as well as Missoula and Butte, Montana and Cody, Wyoming (and more good food – and even cooler weather)

Your club is built upon leaders like this stepping up and getting it done. Hats off to them and I hope others will continue the tradition of stepping up in the future. As I write this, JeanAnn and I are doing a "dry run" on the Natchez Trace caravan which will take place on March 26 through April 8, 2011, in order to assist Jack and Betty Ehlenberg, who will be Co-Leaders with us (see comments below).

Bill Miller

Upcoming Caravans

Good news – We have 4 great caravans lined up for 2011 which will provide many opportunities for wonderful caravanning. As background, we will be having the spring Monaco International Pre-Rally from March 8-11, 2011 in Moultrie, Georgia, followed by the FMCA Convention in Perry, Georgia from March 14 to 17.

We hope that as many of our members as possible will join us for these meetings.

Shortly following the FMCA convention, there will be an MIM caravan called "The Natchez Trace", going from "The city that care forgot" – New Orleans (also known as "Laissez les bon temps rollez") on to the beautiful southern towns of Natchez and Vicksburg, Mississippi, up the historic Natchez Trace and ending up in Nashville, Tennessee. This will be a fun caravan, since it will include the rejuvenated capital of great food and entertainment (New Orleans), trace the more than 300 year old Natchez Trace itself and wind up in the country music capital of the country (Nashville). This caravan will be led by Jack and Betty Ehlenberg

jrehlenberg@bellsouth.net and Bill and JeanAnn Miller, as Co-Leaders.

In connection with this caravan, you need to be aware that our wonderful MIM web-master, Kim Pollock, and his wife, Shelly, are enjoying an extended vacation in Europe and will not be back until November. Therefore, since it will not be possible to post this caravan on the website until then, we will communicate the details

and the application to you all in the form of an EMAIL BLAST in early October – so please be alert for this.

A second caravan will follow in early summer called "Sippin', Trippin', and All Things Legal" which will go from June 4 through June 18, 2011 and will travel through the Bourbon and Horse Racing state of Kentucky and touch on Tennessee, co-lead by leaders Art and Ellen Brighton

brighton@roamingrv.net and George and Maxine Schremp and another couple who they have asked to co-lead – Jerry and Jackie Smith. Details of this caravan ARE already on our website www.monacosinmotion.org so please go there to enroll.

As many of you know, John Ham previously pioneered the idea of having an MIM caravan where commercial caravan companies totally "control the territory" and he led 2 successful caravans in the Copper Canyon of Mexico and the Polar Bears in Churchill, Manitoba, at a significant discount to the commercial rate because of our numbers.

Now, Allan Marcuse, our Treasurer (ajmarcuse@aol.com), has negotiated a very good deal

with a commercial company to give us a spectacular 50 day caravan to and through Alaska for under \$6,000 per coach! This caravan will depart from Dawson Creek, British Columbia on June 19 and end in Prince George, British Columbia on August 8, 2011. Allan will also have to communicate the details of this caravan and the application via an EMAIL BLAST directly to each of you, so be looking for this in early October.

Still a fourth caravan will follow the FMCA convention (August 10-13, 2011) later that summer in Madison, Wisconsin. This caravan will run from August 14 to September 2, 2011 and will go through Wisconsin and Michigan, and will be led by Steve and Andrea Sponenberg Spony55@yahoo.com Steve's write-up IS already on the website, although he will need to provide you with the application, so please communicate directly to him at his email address above if you are interested.

It would also be tremendously helpful for anyone who has an interest in any of these caravans to PLEASE email the caravan leaders with an indication of

your interest. We are truly blessed to have these wonderful leaders step forward and volunteer their time and talent in leading these caravans.

Membership Issue

At the recent Monaco International Pre-Rally in Salem, Oregon, a significant question was posed to Jerry Jenkins, First Vice-President of Monaco International, relating to the membership provisions of Monacos-in-Motion Standing Rules. Jerry has asked to reconsider our posture, and your Executive Board has agreed to do so. The background and suggested resolution for this issue are contained in Attachment A to this issue of Wheels, and your Executive Board urges you to vote on this issue in accordance with the procedures outlined in the Attachment.

Treasurer's Report

Monacos-in-Motion shirts are in stock and available for purchase at \$25 each. Please

write to Allan Marcuse, noting quantity and sizes needed, along with the address where shirts are to be shipped and a check for the appropriate amount (the club will pay for shipping). If you have any questions, please call Allan at 513-617-0661.

**Allan Marcuse,
Treasurer**

Future Monaco International Events

Monaco International Pre-Rally at Moultrie, Georgia from March 8-11, 2011

Please go directly to the MI website at: www.monacointernationalrvclub.com for applications.

Monacos-in-Motion Luncheon
Thursday, March 10, 2011 at Moultrie – see you there!

Monaco International Pre-Rally at Manitowoc,

Wisconsin from August 2-6, 2011

Future FMCA Conventions

Perry, Georgia
March 14-17, 2011

Madison, Wisconsin
August 10-13, 2011

Future MIM caravans

The Natchez Trace
March 26 – April 8, 2011

Sippin, Trippin, and All Things Legal
June 4-18, 2011

Magnificent Alaska
June 19 – August 8, 2011

Wisconsin and Michigan
August 14 – September 2, 2011

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