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**A special thanks is given to the Monaco Coach Corporation for their financial support of each of our caravans. Please let Sara Spicer know you appreciate her expert guidance and support.**

## **Is This Your LAST ISSUE???**

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## ***Business Meeting***

Our next business/ luncheon meeting will be at the Monaco Pre Rally at Moultrie, Georgia on Thursday March 17, 2005. Purchase tickets on Mon or Tue morning at info center

## ***Club Website***

We now have our *own website*. The address is: [www.MonacosInMotion.org](http://www.MonacosInMotion.org).

When in the website please click on the registration button and register for e-mail notification. When anything important goes up on the website we will notify you by e-mail. For caravans we will still have the minimum times before drawing, but those with e-mail will have more time to arrange their schedule.

## ***Presidential Ponderings***

Woops, did you see that notice to the left? It got my attention too and I mailed my dues today. Only two months late, sorry Treasurer Jack, but as they say "the checks in the mail". Hopefully you have already sent your dues, we don't want to lose you.

Rita and I are camped near Pensacola, Florida, writing this news letter and just days from Moultrie, Georgia and the opportunity to see most of you again. Our Luncheon meeting will be on Thursday March 17<sup>th</sup> and we look forward to seeing a lot of you there. We will have election of officers for the coming year.

We are just a few weeks from the Sherman's March to the Sea Caravan and excited about that. Applications for the Maritimes in September Caravan is included in this newsletter and the drawing is May 1, 2005.

We hope to see you on one of the Caravans this year. It's time to play!

John

## **Sherman's March To The Sea**

**4/1/2005 – 4/15/2005**

*Caravan Leaders: Bill &  
JeanAnn Miller and Russ &  
Janet Payne*

Just a few short weeks until the start of our caravan and we are getting excited. Plans are all set, menus have been tested, sites have been revisited, everything is ready, except the calendar, and that won't be long now. Members attending this caravan are:

Les and Wilma Jean  
Alexander  
Bob and JoAnn Fish  
John and Rita Ham  
Stan and Barbara Jones  
Karl and Roberta Koch  
Bill and Bonnie Ledbetter  
Joe and Bee Luippold  
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Terry and Donna Walters  
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### **KEYSTONE KAPERS KARAVAN**

*Caravan Leaders: Jim & Ria  
Sabia and Fred & Dee  
Von Recklinghausen*

*Dates: June 5 to June 20, 2005*

Start the summer right!! Join us on a 15 day caravan of beautiful and historic eastern Pennsylvania beginning June 5<sup>th</sup> and ending June 20<sup>th</sup> 2005. Tour the historic Gettysburg Battlefield, the Harley-Davidson factory, the home of Hershey chocolates, the Amish countryside with their markets and quaint lifestyle. Local outlet shops are also in the area if you want to shop. See the sights of historic Philadelphia including the Liberty Bell and enjoy the beautiful Longwood Gardens with us. From there we'll head north to Scranton, where we'll tour the National Train Museum and take a train ride through the Poconos. We'll also visit a coal mine where we'll experience what it's like to be a coal miner. Of course let's not forget the food! Chef Jimmy will be in attendance for your culinary delight (of course he will need some help and you might even earn a coveted "**Chef Jimmy Chef's Hat**"). See the attached application for more details and get your reservations in early. The drawing was on March 1, 2005 but there are still a few spots left.

## **Colorado High Country A 4-Wheeling Adventure**

*Caravan Leaders: John &  
Rita Ham and Wade & Linda  
Myers*

*Dates: August 22<sup>nd</sup> to  
September 6<sup>th</sup>, 2005*

This will be a 4-Wheeling adventure of a lifetime that will explore the beautiful backcountry of Colorado under the guidance of 4-Wheeling experts. Please note that this will not be extreme, hard core 4-Wheeling, but will require a minimum stock 4-wheel drive vehicle (without running boards) and a CB radio. The Hams and Myers will guide you through and you will have lots of fun.

This caravan will follow the Continental Divide through Colorado as you explore the scenic backcountry beginning at historic Camp Hale near Leadville, Colorado at over 10,000 foot elevation. From Leadville we will travel to Buena Vista and then Taylor Park, which is north of Gunnison. After running several 4-wheel trails we will move to Ouray, called the Little Switzerland of America, for more trail riding. Our camping will be at elevations up to 10,000 feet, and we will 4-wheel to elevations of 14,000 feet.

Our activities will be centered around 4-wheeling in the beautiful Colorado mountains. During this caravan you will visit old mining towns that are now ghost towns, mines, railroads, and much more. You will see the Colorado High Country as few tourists have.

The drawing was held on March 1<sup>st</sup> but there are still a few spots available. Contact John & Rita at 970-927-3273.

# MARITIMES IN SEPTEMBER

## A Grand Tour – North of the Border

*Caravan Leaders: Hoyt &  
Nancy Highfill and Bill &  
Shirley Weaver*

*Dates: September 6<sup>th</sup> to  
September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2005*

We will meet in Bar Harbor, Maine the day after Labor Day and strike out for a grand tour of the Canadian Maritimes. Our first stop will be St Johns, New Brunswick where we will visit the famous reversing falls, the public market, and other interesting sites. Next it will be the Bay of Fundy with the highest tides in the world. Our tour will next go to Nova Scotia and include stops at Fort Louisbourg, the Cabot Trail around Cape Breton, Halifax, and Peggy's Cove. Then it will be on to Prince Edward Island with many interesting places before ending our journey in Portland, Maine. September is a great time of year to travel in this beautiful area, with the leaves turning.

We hope you can join us for this exceptional caravan.

Application for the **Maritimes In September Caravan** is included in this issue of *Wheels*, and also on the web at [www.monacosinmotion.org](http://www.monacosinmotion.org).

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# VIRGINIA HISTORY CARAVAN

*Caravan Leaders: Ed &  
Connie Tilman*

*Dates: Tentative Spring 2006*

We're making arrangements for our second Virginia history caravan. We'll visit Williamsburg, Fredericksburg, Charlottesville, Appomattox, and Richmond where we'll explore sites from Virginia's past. We'll visit Jamestown, the first permanent English settlement in the New World, as well as Yorktown and Appomattox, the surrender fields of the Revolutionary and Civil Wars. We'll tour Pres. Thomas Jefferson's Monticello and Pres. James Monroe's Ashlawn-Highland. The late summer temperatures should be pleasant. We'll be sure you dine on Brunswick stew, country ham, and Virginia peanuts. This fall, we'll research some seasonal festivals to include in the itinerary. A day at the State Fair of Virginia is planned. If you weren't able to join us exploring Virginia's history in April, 2003, set aside the tentative dates of Sept. 7-27, 2006. Look for more information in upcoming newsletters.

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# FALL FESTIVALS

*Caravan Leaders: Les &  
Wilma Jean Alexander*

*Dates: September 15<sup>th</sup> to  
October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2006 (Tentative  
Dates)*

Our caravan will travel from Illinois to Indiana, and Missouri as we attend the great Fall Festivals through the Heartland of America. We will attend the Pumpkin Festival in Morton, Illinois, the Pork and Apple Festival in Clinton, Illinois, the Covered Bridges Festival in Rossville, Indiana, and others. We will end our caravan in Branson, Missouri where we will see some of the great Christmas Shows.

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# LAND OF ENCHANTMENT CARAVAN

*Caravan Leaders: Kim &  
Shelly Pollock and Doug &  
Peggy Bogart*

*Dates: Late September thru  
early October, 2006*

Come join us in the Land of  
Enchantment for a Scenic,  
Cultural, Historic and

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Adventure tour of our 47th  
state, New Mexico. We are  
planning a three week tour of  
many of the highlights of this  
mysterious region including  
several Native American  
Pueblo, some cliff dwelling  
and ancient sites, museums,  
mountains and of course, the  
magical cities of Taos and  
Sante Fe. We plan to cap off  
the tour with a special treat in  
Albuquerque. We will have  
several options for those  
interested in active exploration  
as well.

The caravan is tentatively  
scheduled for September /  
October of 2006. Mark your  
calendars now and start  
preparing for a wonderful  
time!

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# “ESCAPE to the MARITIMES IN SEPTEMBER!

- 24 Day Caravan
- 9 Fabulous Destination Stops

We start at Bar Harbor, ME (3 nights). St. Andrews, N.B. (2 nights) . . . St. John, N.B. (2 nights) . . . Truro, N.S. (1 night) . . . Louisbourg, Cape Britten Island, N.S. (3 nights) . . . Seal Island, N.S. (3 nights) . . . Halifax, N.S. (4 nights) . . . St. John, N.B. (3 nights) . . . Portland, ME (3 nights).

Trip includes: Whale Watching Boat Trip, All Camping Fees, 2 Great Charter Bus & Guide Trips, Coal Miners Museum & Tour, Alexander Graham Bells Museum & Tour, Majority of Your Meals, Power Shopping at L.L. Bean in Freeport, and Much Sight Seeing & Good Times

## CARAVAN FEE:

2 Person & Coach . . . . . \$2,200.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
1 Person & Coach . . . . . \$1,800.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
Additional Person in Coach . . . . . \$400.00 \_\_\_\_\_

### NOTICE

We have a little extra added to the fee. We will have an accounting at last stop & will settle with each coach, (hopefully) with a refund.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Home \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_  
Street: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Monaco Coach Model \_\_\_\_\_ Coach # \_\_\_\_\_

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