



# Monaco Romers News

President: John Roan

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Editor: Bob Thompson



Even threatening skies could not dampen the festivities of the “Pumpkin and Rocket Rally” held at Flying Flags RV Resort in Buellton, Ca. The rally was attended by 27 coaches including 3 first timers, Frank & Delma Carson, Henry & Sally Fuquay and Dave Knight and Heddy Govenar.

Wednesday evening kicked off the rally with our usual happy hour and bountiful Hors D’oeuvres. Thursday morning began with a continental breakfast after which the golfers headed off to Alaisol River Course lead by Jim and Susan Lewis while another group carpooled to Vandenberg Air Force Base. We enjoyed a private bus tour of the base with several stops for photo taking opportunities, we also enjoyed lunch at the base restaurant. The evening included happy hour along with an Italian dinner provided by the RV Park. Friday morning again started with our continental breakfast and another group headed off to Vandenberg AFB, while many others enjoyed the shopping in nearby Solvang. Evening dinner was a Mexican feast followed by a wild game of card Bingo with most of the club members participating. Saturday included our general meeting and a day to enjoy the area, more shopping, wine tasting and sightseeing with all the area has to offer. Our evening meal was a wonderful barbecue catered by “The Wagonairs”, we also enjoyed musical entertainment from Patrick Montgomery and his partner. There was dancing in the aisles, even had a pole dancer. The evening ended with our favorite booze master, Dale Stucker, auctioning off the leftover alcohol.

Sunday brought farewells and departures. Till we meet again, safe travels!

*Jim & Susan Lewis - Sal & Marianne Rosenmann - Larry & Phyllis Sanfilippa*



New Members: Frank &  
Delma Carson



### SECRETARY

#### General Business Meeting

Flying Flags RV Resort, Buellton, CA  
October 9, 2010

President John Roan called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

President Roan led the Pledge of Allegiance to our flag of the United States of America.

#### Secretary's Report:

- Secretary Townsend read the minutes of the Monaco Romers Business Meeting held on February 25, 2010 at the Bakersfield RV Resort, Bakersfield, CA.
- The minutes were approved as read.

#### Treasurer's Report:

- In the absence of treasurer Karenann Evans, Tom Townsend read the Treasurer's Report as of October 7, 2010.
- The beginning balance of the Savings & Checking accounts as of February 24, 2010 was \$13,942.54. Income and expenses were detailed. The ending balance for both Checking & Savings accounts as of October 7, 2010 is \$14,595.77.
- A copy of the Treasurer's Report is included herein.

#### Membership Chairman's Report:

- Membership Chairman Rob Crow gave his report which is included.

#### Sunshine Lady / Romers Supplies Report:

- In the absence of our Sunshine Lady Nancy Baumgart, Rob Crow presented her report which is included.

President Roan commented on the recent Monaco International Oregon rally.

**Old Business:**

- President Roan called for any old business.
- There being none –

**New Business:**

President Roan called for any new business.

Vice-President Curt Curtis highlighted that there are currently two rallies scheduled for 2011

The Journey To Temecula at the Pechanga RV Resort in Temecula, California arriving March 6, 2011 and departing March 10, 2011

4<sup>th</sup> of July Adventure at the Blackwell Island Resort in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho arriving July 2, 2011 and departing July 6, 2011.

Tom Townsend and Tom and Diana Peel, co-rally masters for the Journey To Temecula rally gave a presentation on their upcoming rally in March 2011.

The subject of serving breakfast at our rallies ensued. It was pointed out that the rally masters were having a more difficult time offering catered full breakfasts for the entire rally due to costs. Donations from sources like Paul Evert RV, Beaudry RV, Monaco RV and the like, that used to help fund our rallies have all but dried up.

Marty Ehrlich pointed out that Paul Evert RV would only donate to a club if a member bought a coach from them, then, the donation would only be \$100.00.

Carolyn Winnor suggested that since our Club's treasury was so flush that the club's advance to the Rally Masters be more than \$1,000.00 to help offset their expenses, thus keeping the rally costs down for our members. After discussion it was suggested that the "advance" be a "stipend" so the rally is not required to pay it back to the treasury.

Carolyn made a motion that the Club increases the stipend from \$1,000.00 to \$1,500.00. Stan Jones requested that the stipend clause be revisited annually. Carolyn revised her original motion and made a motion that the Club increases the stipend for each rally from \$1,000.00 to \$1,500.00, to be reviewed annu-

ally. Diana Peel seconded the motion. Brought to a vote, the motion carried.

Tom & Lois Getzfrid were introduced to speak to the rally they, along with Bill & G'Nell DeLack, are hosting in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho July 2 – 6, 2011.

- The rally is being held at Blackwell Island Resort and is limited to 90 people due to clubhouse limitations.
- The rally flyer was handed out. Application dead line is May 15, 2011.
- People who want to come early and/or stay late will have to pay \$45.00 per day and that will be handled when you arrive with the park office.
- The park has "Day Care for Pets" so check with the Park.
- A Golf event is also planned.
- The last evening is going to be a progressive dinner. Cocktails and Hors D'oeuvres will be hosted at the Getzfrid's home then travel to the DeLack's home for dinner.

Vice-President Curt Curtis appealed to the members to consider hosting a rally in October 2011 and all of 2012.

Diana Peel indicated that she is looking into hosting a rally in October 2012 in the Lake Powell area.

Marty Ehrlich suggested that Terrible's Lakeside Casino & RV Park in Pahrump, NV was another viable rally spot. They are good and they would like us to come back.

Jo Ann Curtis suggested Lake Havasu, AZ as another opportunity.

Being no further discussion on rallies, President Roan introduced Jim Lewis, who headed up the golf tournament for this rally, to present the tournament winners.

There were four 4-somes. One team finished 7 over par, one team finished 6 over par, one team finished 4 over par and 1 team finished 1 over par.

The winning team at 1 over par was headed up by one of our newest members, Hank Fuguay. Besides Hank the team included Dale Stucker,

Glen Winnor and Tom Townsend.

Each member of the winning team was presented with a unique wine cooler donated by California Wine Accessories – Jim and Susan Lewis.

Glen Winnor was given the floor and made a motion that a change to the By Laws is made so that Cayman, Knight and Vesta owners would be eligible to become members of the Monaco Romers. Judy Hunter seconded the motion.

Marty Ehrlich suggested that the motion be tabled so the Board of Directors could check with other Monaco clubs as to what they are doing. It was pointed out that other Monaco clubs are changing their membership criteria. Mr. Winnor agreed to his motion being tabled.

President Roan appointed a committee made up of Glen Winnor, Judy Hunter and Phyllis SanFilippo to come up with language for a proposed change to the By-Laws. This language to be submitted to the membership of Monaco Romers.

Diana Peel wants to organize and purchase new storage totes for our rally masters so there isn't redundancy and obsolescence. Diana suggested that each rally master donate any un-used paper goods to a local charity rather than moving them forward to the next in-line rally master.

It was pointed out (by someone) that membership dues are now due. Rob Crow stated our dues are \$10.00 per year and you can pay for more than one year in advance if you choose.

President Roan said that upon conclusion of the General Meeting, Len Widdes would chair the Tech-Talk section of our rally.

Jo Ann Curtis thanked Sal & Marianne Rosenmann and Larry & Phyllis SanFilippo for a job really well done. The applause following confirmed Jo Ann's thanks.

Being no further business, President Roan called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. A motion was made and seconded.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:28 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Tom Townsend*, Secretary



New Members: Henry & Sally Fuquay



**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

On July 30<sup>th</sup> twenty Monaco Romers members met in Harrisburg Oregon at Riversbend RV Park at the request of Rob Wilson to caravan to the Monaco International Pre rally in Salem Oregon where they volunteered as bartenders. Also at the rally Layne Strelie gathered her crew to decorate the hall for the 50's theme. The decorations were outstanding and the bartenders did a great job which shows the Monaco Romers were well represented at the Salem rally.

The last time the Romers visited Flying Flags it was October of 2004 and since then they have updated the sites and maybe by next time they will have a new clubhouse.

Sal & Marianne Rosenmann hosted the *Pumpkin and Rocket* rally in Buellton CA with the help of Lawrence & Phyllis Sanfilippo and Jim & Susan Lewis. Everybody enjoyed the card bingo and on the final evening the dance band kept us until the final song. The tour of Vandenberg Air

Force base was well done by the guide. The rally was a success.

We look forward to the rallies next year and I would like to thank all of the volunteers for their support.

*John Roan*



**New Members: David Knight & Heddy Govenar**

October 7, 2010

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Balance Savings & Chk 2/24/2010	<b>13,942.54</b>
Bank of America Savings Account	6,034.13
Interest earned	3.50
 Total Savings Account	 <b>6,037.63</b>
Chk Account Balance 2/24/2010	7,908.41
<b>INCOME:</b>	
Dues & Initiation	275.00
Merchandise Sales	76.27
Rally Income from Bakers- field	550.00
Rally Advance Rtn: Bakers- field	<u>1,000.00</u>
<b>Sub Total Income:</b>	<b>1,901.27</b>
<b>EXPENCE:</b>	
Badges	(98.00)
Memorial	
Merchandise for Sale	(153.54)
Diana Peel (Advance Te- mecula)	<u>(1000.00)</u>
<b>Sub Total Expense:</b>	<b>(1251.54)</b>
Chk Account Balance 10/7/2010	<b>8,558.14</b>
Total Chk & Savings 10/7/2010	<b>14,595.77</b>
Respectfully Submitted	
<i>Karenann Evans</i> , Treasurer	



## TECH STUFF

I'm sorry that Pat and I missed the Buellton Rally, but things just did not work out for us. I understand that Len Widdes sat in for me at the Tech Session. Thanks Len. I'll let you cover the session if you would.

Since I missed the Tech Session, I thought I would talk a bit about a subject dear to all of our hearts.....TIRES. I am in the midst of putting on my third set of tires (140,000 miles, and ten plus year old coach).

Practically speaking, there are two types of tires that we can use. The RV tires from Michelin or Goodyear, or any of several brands of truck tires. I believe that Monaco is currently installing Goodyear RV tires on most of the new coaches. Mine however came with Goodyear 295x75x22.5 truck tires.

If you decide to go with the RV tire, you probably should think about the Michelin 295x80x22.5 tire. Not that I think the tire is any better than the Goodyear, but Monaco International has a deal pending with Michelin whereby MI members can buy that particular tire at a substantial discount. I understand from the Michelin dealer in Salem OR that the tire has a list price of about \$750, plus installation and related costs of about \$80.

That comes to about \$6640.00 for a set of eight. Under the MI fleet price contract the tire will cost \$501, plus installation, tax, etc. That amounts to about \$4648.00 for the same set of eight. Quite a savings on six or eight tires.

There are a few hoops to jump through to get the discount, but detailed information is on the MI website. Jerry Jenkins is working on the contract, and is close to finalizing it. In the meantime I have a contract number that we can use until the MI contract is finalized.

Check the MI website, and contact me if you have any problems or questions.

The alternative tire (and my choice) is the 295x75x22.5 truck tire. There are a couple of reasons for my choice. First is availability. Virtually no tire shops stock the Goodyear or Michelin RV tires; while every truck



stop has truck tires from several suppliers. The second reason is cost. My cost for the four tires that I just had installed in Kingman AZ was \$344.00 per tire, on the coach.....mounted, taxes, etc, etc. This is \$2752.00 for a set of eight. I guess you can see why I lean toward the truck tires

It turns out that 295x75x22.5 is the most popular size tire used on big trucks. Since my tires were not completely bald, they gave me \$195.00 trade in, plus \$80.00 Promo Discount on the four tires. Truck tire dealers will buy your old truck tires, but not the RV tires. Since most of us trade tires because they are five years old, but not worn out this can be a significant amount. The Manager at Petro Truck Stop in Kingman said that they would allow up to about \$80.00 per tire if they were in good condition. They just measure the tread depth and pay based on that.

Sorry about missing the rally, but I hope to see you at the next one.

*Gary Quilla*

## MORE TECH STUFF

After the General meeting about fourteen Romers gathered in a corner and had a tech talk. The subjects addressed were pointed at failures and problems with the smart wheel. A definite solution was not accomplished. Another subject that came up was about tire air sensors and associated equipment. Several brands were discussed; each seemed to be very workable.

Many of the Romers were happy with the systems that were purchased from Bob Hunter. A few pros and cons on motor home insurance were discussed. The meeting was closed.

*Leonard Widde*



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MISSILE DEFENSES TO PROTECT OUR NATION, OUR FORCES,  
OUR ALLIES AND FRIENDS

"Wouldn't it be better to save lives than to avenge them? Are we not capable of demonstrating our peaceful intentions by applying all our abilities and our ingenuity to achieving a truly lasting stability? I think we are. Indeed, we must."  
23 March 1983

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At This First Combined Test and Operational Missile Defense Site  
10 April 2006



## What's Coming up

### MARK THESE DATES

Here's the list of the firmly defined upcoming rallies.

Temecula "Journey To Temecula": **Arrive on Sunday March 6th, 2011, Depart on Thursday March 10th, 2011.** PECHANGA RV RESORT, 45000 Pechanga Parkway, Temecula, CA 92592. Featuring: World class gaming; Antiquing in Old Town; Wine Country Temecula; Great Dining; Golf and much, much more.

Idaho "4th of July Adventure" **Arrive on July 2nd, 2011, Depart on July 6th, 2011.** Blackwell Island Resort, 800 So. Marina Drive, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho 83814. Featuring: Tours; Senic Drives; Lake and river Cruises; 30 Area Golf Courses; Casinos; Art Galleries; Antique Shops; Silver & Gold mine tours, and more.

There are two other Romer rallies still in the planning stage -

- Rich & Ann Cerniglia/Dean & Pat Moretti will host a rally in October 2011 in Northern California
- Stan & Barbara Jones will host a rally in Feb/Mar 2012 in the Laughlin NV area.

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## Membership Report October, 2010

We currently have 142 paid-up members. Seven new members since the Bakersfield rally and one new member paid today.

Our new members since the last rally are (in no particular order):

- Gary & Carol Kuske from Santee, CA
- Merle & Nancy Angele from Lodi, CA
- Tom & Mary Gaylor from Murietta, CA
- Mike & Gail Phillips from Eugene, OR
- David Knight & Heddy Govegar from Sacramento, CA
- Frank & Delma Carson from Elk Grove, CA
- John Klopp & Cheryl Ray from Mt. Baldy, CA
- Hank & Sally Fuguay from Long Beach, CA

*Rob Crow*





### Sunshine Report

- Andrew Ewing, Past President, has been showing promising recovery from his stroke.
- Jim Lynn is recovering from recent heart surgery.
- Sunshine Lady Nancy Baumgart took a nasty fall off a porch and badly sprained her left ankle and foot.
- Shirley Thompson has been down for the past 3-weeks with a Flu virus.

For Romers Merchandise: Please call me at 310-833-3765 if you would like to order Romer shirts, jackets or flags. I will bring this merchandise to the next rally.

*Nancy Baumgart*



Here's wishing you all a magnificent Holiday Season

**Your Editor:  
Bob Thompson**

# MONACO ROMERS JOURNEY To TEMECULA

Arrive Sunday March 6, 2011—Depart Thursday March 10, 2011

**PECHANGA RV RESORT**  
45000 Pechanga Parkway, Temecula, CA 92592

World Class Gaming at Pechanga Casino...Antiquing in Old Town Temecula...Wine Country Temecula...  
Great dining...Great golf and Much, Much More—  
Enjoy our own private Club House 24-7...Kitchen...Private Bar...Crafts...24-hour shuttle throughout the  
Pechanga Resort...Social...Fun and Games...

**Sunday night bring Heavy Hors D'oeuvres** (no deserts please—desert will be provided).  
Open to owners of Diplomat, Camelot, Windsor, Dynasty, Executive and Signature coaches

**Open to the first 40 coaches Only (sorry—clubhouse max 80 people)**  
**Application Deadline: January 21, 2011**

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Couch Model: \_\_\_\_\_  
Coach Length \_\_\_\_\_ # of Slides \_\_\_\_\_  
Coach Year \_\_\_\_\_ FMCA # \_\_\_\_\_  
First Monaco Romers Rally:  
Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

**Rally Fees:**

Coach—2 people	\$340.00	\$ _____
Extra Person	\$125.00	\$ _____
Coach—1 person	\$250.00	\$ _____
SOB + 1 of above	\$ 25.00	\$ _____
SOB Sponsor _____		
Golf (handicap _____ & _____)	\$ 48.00 x _____	\$ _____
Early Arrival _____; Extended Departure		
Date _____; at \$45.00/Day x _____ Days		\$ _____
Early check-in (before 2 p.m.)	\$ 10.00	\$ _____
<small>(If you want to arrive before 2 p.m. there is a \$10.00 charge).</small>		
Dog Fee (good for 7 days) per dog	\$ 5.00 x _____	\$ _____
<b>Total Amount Submitted</b>		\$ _____

For early arrival and late departure, **DO NOT** call park directly (see **Rally Fees:**).

**Restroom/Showers key card:**  
If you need a restroom/showers key card go to the RV office upon arrival and pay a \$10.00 refundable deposit and get your key card.

**Dog Owners:** There is a \$5.00 charge per dog for up to 7 nights. All dog owners must go to the RV office upon arrival and acknowledge that you understand and will abide by the Park's Dog Rules and Regulations.

**Make checks payable to:**

Diana Peel  
17652 Falkirk Lane—Huntington Beach, CA 92649  
(714) 846-6075 Fax: (714) 840-0242  
granniediana@aol.com

**Rally Masters:** Tom Townsend / Bill Burns— (760) 749-5285  
tomt@pacecases.com, **and** Tom & Diana Peel  
Tom Peel's Cell: (714) 330-8933 Diana's Cell: (714) 749-5646



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# Monaco Romers "4th of July Adventure" July 2nd - July 6th 2011



**"Blackwell Island Resort"**

800 S Marina Dr, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho 83814  
Open to First 45 Coaches only (Sorry Club house max 90 people)  
Application Dead line May 15, 2011  
Remember on Saturday night to bring heavy Hors D'oeuvres

**Planned Activities:**

Saturday: Arrive - Welcome Party  
Sunday: Golf - Tour Area - Crafts  
Monday: Parade - Visit Locals - Fireworks!  
Tuesday: Meeting - Progressive Dinner  
Wednesday: Depart

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**Things to see and do:**

Cataldo Mission - Scenic Drives  
Lake and River Cruises  
30 area Golf Courses - Casinos  
Art Galleries & Antique Shops  
Silver & Gold mine tours

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Coach Length: \_\_\_\_\_ Confirmation: Mail \_\_\_\_\_ Hold \_\_\_\_\_ 1<sup>st</sup> Rally Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

**ATTEN:** I request early arrival/late stay reservations for \_\_\_\_\_ **(Pay upon Arrival)**

Rally Fees:

Rally Fees for Two:	\$350.00	\$ _____
Extra Person	\$150.00	\$ _____
Coach. 1 Person	\$260.00	\$ _____
SOB + 1 of the above	\$25.00	\$ _____
Sponsor		_____
Golf	\$45.00	\$ _____
Total Amount Submitted		\$ _____

**Make Check Payable to:**  
G'Nell DeLack (208) 755 2392  
5014 Highland Dr  
Coeur d'Alene, ID 83814

**Rally Masters:**  
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