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Old Pueblo Rally III Photos

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

BY MIKE COCCI



President Mike Cocci
& 1st Lady Mo

Planning a rally is always a fun activity. Many rally goers may think it is time consuming and stressful, but it needn't be that way. We all know of great places we like to visit and camp at. So all it takes is some imagination and a few good contacts to put the plans in place. Here is a copy of the letter I wrote to get the Silver City Rally organized.

Ponderosa Bound!

Dear Ben,
It seems like yesterday when we helped you pack your wagon and watched you leave St. Louis headed toward the wild, wild west. Who would have thought that you would now have a huge ranch and 3 grown sons. It must have been quite an adventure for you and your family.

After all of these years I've finally convinced Maureen that we should visit your beautiful High Sierras and the Ponderosa Ranch. Actually, we will be traveling there with about 20 other couples on their way to Oregon. I know how hospitable you always were, but you don't have to worry about accommodations for the whole group. There is no way you could put up to 20 couples in your home

have any dance hall girls with us for entertainment, but some of the folks are known to kick up their heels when the music gets agoing good. Despite our raspy voices you can even find a sing along around the campfire at night. And we have some cooks that can stir up a mean pot of chili, too. We even have our own Entertainment Director. Although she's not like the orchestra leader that Lily Pons brought with her to the opera house, she does organize a lot of fun activities for us.

There are a couple of small favors we would ask of you. Could Little Joe show us the road to Lake Tahoe as some of the people would like to take a boat trip? Also, after living on coach food for several weeks we were hoping that Hoss would wrestle up a steer for Hop Sing to roast up at his famous dinner. We would be happy to cover any costs that this might entail. I don't think we would be too disruptive to everyday ranching activities. We plan to stay just a couple of days. Enough to rest up before

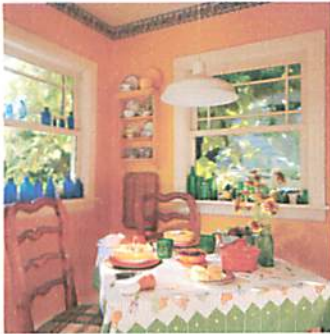
or even in the bunk house. But don't worry, because we will be in coaches that are fully self contained for extended travel. No, they are not stage coaches, but more like a super sized Conestoga Wagon with all of the amenities: heat, light, water, cook stoves, and even bath and toilet facilities. Yes. It's a long way from that hole in the floor of your wagon. All we ask is that we have access to a large pasture, fresh spring water and a large hole to dump our waste water. I know that the young Tom Edison has yet to string wires to supply electricity, but we can survive with our own power generators and water systems.

You won't even have to worry about entertaining us as we tend to make our own fun. We have a couple of banjo pickers, a trumpet player and concertinas to provide the music. We don't

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MYSTERY LUNCH

BY REGGIE KNIGHT



Ladies Mystery Lunch



Our next rally known as the Silver City Rally will be held at the Silver City Resort in Minden, Nevada from June 4th through the 8th. The Resort is planning to turn their club house over to us for all of our gatherings. There is a golf course near by for the folks who like to whack those little white balls all over the country side. A great dinner is planned at the Genoa Lakes Golf Club and Resort. A full day is planned so we can explore

Virginia City and the Fourth Ward School Museum which highlights the mining history in the area. We will visit a museum in old Carson City and, of course, there is an abundance of great shopping available for you to spread your wealth around. Tahoe is less than an hour away and an optional cruise on the Lake is planned for those who would like to participate. Those who wish to stay longer will find lots of things to see and do in the area, but be sure to register early because

there are only 40 sites reserved and you don't want to miss out on what will certainly be a really fun filled rally.

Our hosts for this rally are Paul Chelew and Shirley McKenzie together with Joe and Loretta Murrey.

The fee and all the available information are on the enclosed registration form attached to this Newsletter. Get your reservations in soon. There's only a few sites left. ☺

Silver City Rally

New RMCC Officers Elected



It is always difficult to find folks who are willing and able to fill the few positions necessary to operate our great club, the Rocky Mountain Country Coachers. However, there is a lot of fine talent in our midst. And since the Parks, (Rick being our Vice President) have decided to sell their motorhome and do some new and different things and therefore can't fill the job of VP any longer, we

had to find some new talent for the task. Dee Cundy agreed to accept this job.

The other officer who has to step down is Norma Homesley, our Secretary. Norma felt that since she doesn't have much knowledge of computer useage, she was hampered in trying to do the job properly. Bill Knight has agreed to be our new Secretary (But don't ask him to sit on your lap!)

So, at the Old Pueblo III Rally in Tucson, a vote was cast and both Dee and Bill were unanimously elected to these offices. Not even a close vote in either case.

Thanks, Dee and Bill for being willing to take on these jobs for the coming year!

Thanks Rick and Norma, for doing fine jobs while you were in office. ☺

OLD PUEBLO RALLY III

By Don Rau

If you missed it, you missed another blockbuster RMCC rally!

Several of us arrived a day or so early, and some left later than the Saturday departure date, but there were 51 coaches arranged together at Beaudry RV Resort. Registration went very smoothly on Tuesday, March 7. Some of our ladies volunteered to pass out a folder to each new arrival. The folders were filled with information about the rally, including a Service Request Form so that we could get our usual 3 items repaired compliments of Country Coach. Thanks Country Coach! Every coach also was given a souvenir cactus plant as a memento of our third RMCC Old Pueblo Rally.

At 5:00 that evening we all gathered on the Beaudry Resort's patio for cash bar time with some yummy Hor's D'Oerves. It was, of course, a great time to visit with old friends and meet lots of new friends here for the first time. Welcome to RMCC all of you new members and visitors.

Wednesday morning began with coffee, assorted Danish and fresh fruit at 8:30 for those who could manage to get up early enough and get up to the patio again. (Rallies are not meant for sleeping in late!) At 9:30 we began our annual business meeting on the patio with President Mike Cocci presiding; Vice President Rick Parks; Secretary Norma Holmesley; and Treasurer Gail McEachern also assisting. (Please see the minutes of the meeting to get all of the important items that affect us members.)

At 11:15 the women carpooled out of the park on a Mystery Lunch trip spon-

sored by Beaudry RV. Reggie Knight has the details in a separate article. The men, not to be outdone by the ladies, had a fine lunch on the patio sponsored by Beaudry RV, followed by a trip to the Pima Air Museum to see some old retired airplanes of WWII and later vintage. Some of us paid a little extra to take a guided tour of the facility which was very well done by a volunteer docent. While the airplanes were very interesting, and the docent very knowledgeable, the weather had turned windy and cold. So time spent on the outside of buildings looking at these large gems was interesting, but time looking at other exhibits inside the hangars was more comfortable.

Dinner on Wednesday was on your own. Most of us took advantage of the local restaurants for our overeating pleasure.

Thursday began with our usual continental breakfast on the patio from 8:30 to 10:00 am. The rest of the day was open for whatever until 2:00 pm when a Tech Talk was provided in the Country Coach Display area. The CC Techs did a good job of filling us in on some helpful maintenance hints. This was followed by an Ice Cream Social sponsored by Beaudry RV right there at the Country Coach displays. Beaudry sales guys were available at any time for anyone with a few extra dollars they wanted to put to good use purchasing one of the beautiful new or used coaches. Dinner on Thursday was on the patio at 6:00. This turned out to be a delicious BBQ'd chicken and ribs dinner with all the trimmings, including apple pie for dessert. This was an excellent dinner served buffet style for our large group of hungry RMCCers. We heard no complaints about this one.

Friday was set aside for the brave RMCC souls who signed

up to play golf with Mike and Mo Cocci at the Arizona National Golf Course. First tee time was 8:30, so these folk missed another continental breakfast on the patio in which the rest of us could indulge. Friday, during the day, was free to enjoy any way you pleased in the rather cool and windy conditions that this day brought forth. Some of us decided that this would be a fine time to go around to several shops in town and help boost the local economy. Others did more sensible things with their day. Happy Hour was scheduled for 5:00 to 6:00 on the patio followed by a wonderful Italian dinner served buffet style. After dinner Mike Cocci announced the winners of the cold and very windy golf tournament. And the winners are: ... Well, look in Mike's story about the golfing event for that information.

Departure Day, Saturday, was even more windy and cold than the day before with rain added in for good measure. Since we can't complain about the rain because we needed it after over 140 rainless days, we'll just say "whoopie!" However, the Raus had to stay over an extra day because the wind was too strong for our Girard slide out awning cover which kept getting blown up by the strong gusts. The rest of you who left probably should have stayed as well. We heard that a lot of awnings got blown off RVs during the day. Hope none of you had that problem or any other as you traveled to your next destination.

Thanks to our hosts and volunteer workers for making this rally so very enjoyable! See you all at the Silver State Rally in Minden, Nevada June 4 - 8, 2006. ☺



Souvenir Cactus plants



Prez Mike telling it like it is.



Havin' FUN on the patio



More fun

Photo Gallery



Nancy Hess led the group of women with low gross score of 95



Mel Sapp Led the men with a low of 95

RMCC OLD PUEBLO III GOLF OUTING

By Mike Cochi

It seems that on any given day you can tune into a broadcast of the PGA, LPGA, Champions, Nationwide or Hooters Tour and watch the tour pros tee it up and launch 350 yard drives, blast birdies from the sand traps and sink 60 foot snaking putts for eagle. You say to yourself, "How hard can that be?" So you decided to comb through Uncle Jack's garage and find your first set of used golf clubs. Off you went to the local muni (Municiple Golf Course) and began your quest to shoot even par. Remember those days of trying to master the game of golf? What idiots we were, frustrating ourselves into a game of hit and walk, hit and walk. Didn't Mark Twain once say that trying to play golf is "a good walk spoiled." If only we had recognized the futility of trying to perfect this game and had taken up a different sport....say, ice bowling?

Despite all of this we continue to take up the challenge and head off to test the difficulty of another new course as we travel around the country. RVing gives us a great excuse for playing poorly because we

can always say that it was a new course and if we could play it a second time our score would be much better. Well this year I did just that. I provided the RMCC Golfers with another chance to tackle the challenging desert environment of Arizona National Golf Course in Tucson. Most of the men decided to play from the white tees with a slope rating of 131. The Championship tees rate 146 with drives of 250 yards required to carry the desert to the fairway. For comparison, the local muni course, Dell Ulrich, plays to a 119 from the longest tees. The women in our group played from the front tee boxes, a 112 rating, almost as hard as the longest tees at Dell Ulrich. Obviously, we knew we were in for a serious challenge in trying to shoot a respectable score. Little did I know that mother nature would put a severe crimp in the playing conditions. Temperatures hovered around 55 and the wind gusted to 30-40 mph. Even the pros find it difficult to break 80 on days like that. Despite the obstacles, 14 hardy souls decided to test their skills and at least had a great time.

Nancy Hess led the group of women with a low gross score of 95 and Carol Lawrence captured the low net prize with a 69. Janie Pinkleton and Eileen Blakemore followed closely behind. The men's group was led by Mel Sapp, matching Nancy's score of 95. The Low Net was captured by Jack Carlson with a 73 followed closely by Will Stewart, Rick Parks, Rod Woods and Bill Holmesley with matching 74's. A tie breaker was necessary to determine the second prize taken by Rick.

Next stop, the mountain courses in the foothills of the Sierra Nevada's.



Carol Lawrence won low net prize with a 69

RALLY HO!

Mark your calendar!

The following is a listing of rallies that RMCC is involved in. For a list of other CCI Rallies look in the Destinations Magazine published by Country Coach.

2006

- June 4-8, 2006: Silver State Rally in Minden, Nevada at Silver City Resort. 40 sites reserved; most have been taken. Hurry if you want to go. This should be a great one. \$295 per couple.

- September 29 to October 4, 2006: Durango Rally in Durango, Colorado.
- This rally is already booked/filled. Only 40 sites were available and are taken. If you would like to be placed on a waiting list in case someone has to cancel, please contact Don or Gail Becker at (505) 327-1313.
- October 11 to October 15, 2006: Balloon Fiesta at Marlene's RV Park in Albuquerque, New Mexico. This will be a dry camping

situation, so come with full fresh water tanks and empty holding tanks. This popular rally is also fully booked at this time. Again, contact the Beckers if you want to be placed on a waiting list.



RMCC News Bites

- **Reminder: RMCC Club Rally refund policy:** Cancellations received 30 days prior to rally start will be refunded fully. After that **NO REFUNDS** will be issued.
- Ann Sanders has agreed to be the Historian/Scrapbook Coordinator for RMCC. It would be appreciated if members could bring to a rally or send her pictures taken over the past three years, since our first organizational rally in February 2003 and subsequent rallies—Fort Collins, CO June 2003; Newport, OR September 2003; Old Pueblo Rally I, Tucson March 2004; Moab, UT May 2004; Jackson, WY September 2004; Old Pueblo Rally II, Tucson February 2005; and Rocky

Point March 2005. Please note that the photos will not be returned so make a copy for yourself. The Historian/Scrapbook Coordinator will be responsible for selecting the most appropriate photos for the album. For more information, please contact: Ann Sanders

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Ann had the first edition of the scrapbook with her at the Old Pueblo Rally III this past month for all to see. What a wonderful job she is doing!

Thank you, Ann, for taking on this job!

- Many members have been asking about the new CCI badges with the new CCI logo inscribed on them. They can be ordered through CCI at a cost of \$7.50 each. Please contact Katrina Damon at CCI Club Office by calling 1-800-537-0622. She will be glad to help you with this.
- I keep getting Newsletters returned to me every time I mail them out with "Addressee unknown" stamped on the returned envelope. Please let us know when you change your address so we know where to send your copy of the Newsletter and anything else we need to mail to you. Send this information to either Gail McEachern, Carole Anderson or Don Rau, Thanks!

Special points of interest:

- Remember RMCC refund policy
- Ann Sanders' scrapbook big success
- New CCI badges available
- Keep us informed of address changes

An Offer You May Want To Take Advantage Of

By Bill & Tanna Flomer

Going to be in Tucson any time soon? After May 3, 2006, Bill and Tanna Flomer are willing to offer RV parking at their home for rigs up to 40 feet in length. Spend 2 or 3 nights at a time when you are just passing through.

You can e-mail them at: mactanna453@earthlink.net or call them at: 412-716-5754.

Thanks to Bill and Tanna for the very generous offer. We

folks in RMCC can use all the help we can get.

(Editors note: If anyone else has an offer you would like to share with your friends in RMCC, please let me know and it will appear in the next Newsletter.) ☺

Free Offer!
Advertise here!
It won't cost you a dime!

Get Well Soon

From time to time we hear about some of our members who have become very much under the weather or just down right sick. And we like to know about these folks so we can wish them well. There are currently three of our members who have had

some serious surgery recently for whom we would like to wish speedy recoveries. They are Ron Mayer who had knee surgery and both Dennis and Loretta Melstrom who have had some serious surgery. Perhaps you would like to send them a note or a Get

Well Card. If you know their address, please do so. I resist putting their address in the Newsletter for obvious reasons, but if you would like their address let me know and I will let you know what it is. Best wishes to these dear friends. ☺

Future Rally Contests

By Reggie Knight

Reggie Says:
Come to Silver City Rally with a small bucket and a container with holes in the bottom!

Come to Balloon Fiesta with appropriate Halloween costume!

Reggie's Motto:
"NO SNIVELING"!!

There wasn't a contest at the Old Pueblo III Rally, but the attendees were informed of the planned contests for rallies in Minden, NV on June 4 - 8 and Durango, CO on September 29 to October 4, 2006. Since Nevada is historically noted for gambling and mining, we are going to play for the best poker hand and try our hand at panning for silver depending on the weather and facilities. Rally attendees will receive five (5) cards per coach in their rally packets. The contest will be very simple, but you may want to bring along a large piece of paper and a pen or pencil. For panning you will need a

bucket ¼ filled with water, a container with holes in the bottom and a small container for your "silver." Each coach's "silver" will be weighed and the coach with the greatest weight will be the winner.

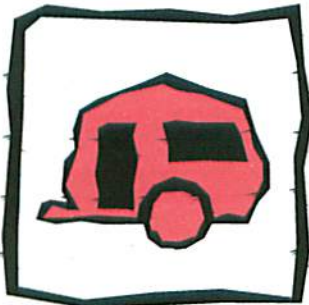
The theme for the Durango Rally will be Halloween. A pumpkin carving contest and a costume party are planned. To avoid littering the campground with pumpkin seeds and pulp, all carving will be done inside our coaches and the waste will be presented in a plastic bag when you present your carved pumpkin. (Not my rule.) For the costume party, costumes are

mandatory and let's keep it light and happy. Try to be creative; remember when you weren't as affluent as you are now and you had to provide Halloween costumes for your children? You were creative then and you can be creative now. Also, because we are all Rocky Mountain residents and automatically cowboys and cowgirls, don't think that by wearing a cowboy hat and boots you are in costume - that is daily wear for some of us. Remember my motto? "NO SNIVELING"!! The rally attendees will vote for the best pumpkin carved and best costume.

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Campgrounds Report

By Reggie Knight



New column →

Don and I have been trying to encourage the members to submit information on campgrounds that could be passed on to our members - so far, no luck. So we are going to try another approach. I will provide information on two campgrounds to give you an idea of what information would be pertinent. We would like RMCC to have a campground directory just as we have a membership directory, but if we don't receive contributions, it isn't going to happen.

Arizona, Kingman
 Blake Range RV Park

1-800-270-1332
 I-40 at Exit 66 (Blake Range Road), East on Blake Range Road up a slight incline, follow signs

Full facilities with long pull-thrus, 50 amps, great place for one night stay, but it does get windy on the hill and the truck fueling stations can get noisy at night. Rating - 7

California, Barstow (Yermo)
 Barstow Calico KOA
 1-800-562-0059
 From I-40 exit at Daggert Yermo Road which becomes

Ghost Town Road, go under I-15, turn left onto Outer Hwy 15 and follow signs.

Full facilities with pull-thrus, 50 amps, great place for one night stay, but I-15 does get noisy during the weekends Rating - 7

See, it isn't hard to do and would only take a few minutes. Send us your contributions at RegLK@LizardAcres.net. For those of you that are interested in Macavity's Journal, that can be found at www.LizardAcres.net/journal/html. ☺

KEEP YOUR WIPER BLADES IN TIP TOP SHAPE!

By John Mastor

TECH TIP!

Have you had a problem keeping your motorhome's wiper blades from dry rotting and becoming nearly useless during a rain storm? Here's an idea I

have found to be very helpful and very inexpensive to implement.

Go buy two tennis balls. Place one under each of

your wiper blades so that the blades are not touching the windshield.

That's all there is to it. Your wiper blades should last indefinitely. ☺

Changes to the RMCC Directory

By Carol Anderson

Changes for your directory: Please send changes, and corrections for the directory to Carol Anderson at :

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You may e-mail new pictures. (Jpeg or bitmap files) You may mail pictures to my home address to be scanned into the directory.

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Don Rau

The main purposes of the Rocky Mountain Country Coachers Club are to promote the aims and objectives of CCI and FMCA and, through creative activities, to further the fellowship and enjoyment in the Club, to provide a forum for the free exchange of ideas and experiences of motorhomeing, and to represent ourselves as good, careful and responsible motorhome owners and operators.

The specific purposes shall be to: Promote and further good fellowship and cooperation among our Club members, promote periodic rallies that will effectively provide for the exchange of information for the common good, and carry on such business activities as deemed necessary on behalf of members at periodic meetings.

Rocky Mountain Country Coachers area includes: Arizona, New Mexico, Colorado, Utah, Nevada, and Wyoming.

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We are on the Web!

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FROM THE EDITOR

I don't seem to have much to add to what has already been said in this edition of your Newsletter except that you really need to read most everything in this issue. It is packed with stuff you need to know. Of course, *I know you all read every word in every edition that comes to you*, but I thought I'd encourage you to do so this time.

Guess you noticed the addition of clip art in this issue of

the Newsletter. It's a new toy I found while "looking around" in my software program. You are bound to see more in the future.

As I told the folks at the Old Pueblo Rally III, I have had complaints from my RC flying club newsletter recipients about the size of the print 1 use. If anyone is having any undo problem with the print size, please let me know. It can be increased, but will also

increase the number of pages of the Newsletter. Please let me know!

Hope to see more new faces at our coming rallies. We always like to see new folks in our midst. A hearty welcome to all of our new members who have joined recently. Please don't be bashful; we really want to meet you all.

'Till next time, remember, keep the shiny side up! ☺