### **Fall 2008**





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# Monaco America News

# Our club is ready to have some fun!

While other clubs might be sitting around complaining about gas prices, this group simply adjusts!

Many were disappointed about having to cancel our October Fall Rally on the west coast,. This group isn't going to just sit around and do nothing!

What? No rally in October? That's not going to happen! We're having our First Mini-Rally!

Be sure you check out the application on page 5 for the Mini Rally at Will Rogers Downs in Oklahoma! And, be sure you check out the campground's website! There are all kind of restaurants and theme bars that cater to oldies music, country, and all kinds of things! Of course there is the casino for those who wish to try their luck! Gary has arranged for several catered meals and some of our members from Oklahoma are going to be providing the Sunday Evening meal. Don't forget full hook-ups

and all of this at a very reasonable price! There's also a lot to see and do in the area.

I believe Gary already has quite a group signed up, so be sure to get your application in ASAP. We even put our newsletter out a little early to be sure all of you would know about it!

The campground's website is

#### www.cherokeecasino.com

Again, while other clubs are sitting around complaining.... I had to move many things around this issue to get all of the information given to me in this newsletter!

See the application on page 3 for the May 2009 Rally in Goshen! If you've ever been to this area, you probably have been on a diet since and can't wait to go back! If you haven't been, you need to sign up now! (*Try to drop a few pounds before you go so you can eat guilt free!*)

Not only is there great food provided at our rally, there are restaurants all over the place with great food at reasonable prices. The area itself is full of history and is beautiful, full of small towns and farms. You can even stop by the Welcome Center in Elkhart (only about a 1/2 hour drive) and get a free CD and map for a driving tour of the area which is very interesting. There are all kinds of shops to purchase freshly made meat and cheeses, produce, and a huge flea market! Oh, did I mention shops with all kinds of hand made items from furniture to hot plates!

Hope you can attend the rallies!

#### NOTE:

Cost of a rally .....\$195 - \$345

Cost of the gas ......

Have to drive somewhere!

Enjoying your Monaco America Friends

.....Priceless!

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- Monaco America's First Mini Rally!
- Ladies Tea—fun, social and socially conscious
- T-Shirts and Cookbooks available!
- Upcoming Rally Schedule

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### From the President's Coach



Richard and Linda Cotterall cotterall@earthlink.net

Hello fellow Monaco America friends,

It has been a busy time for the Monaco America Officers since our rally in Amana Colonies.

Due to the unexpected death of Dave Cormier, the officers voted on a replacement and we are happy to

By Rich Cotterall, Monaco America President

announce that Gary Cummings has accepted the position until the next General Election.

We also made a concerted effort to recruit enough people to attend the Lodi California rally. Between Gary Granat, Carrol Henestofel and I, we wrote letters, e-mailed folks, made calls and nearly begged people to come. As you know, we did not have enough people to provide the top caliber rally that sets Monaco America apart from many other rallies.

Now as we approach October, it has started to sink in that we were not going to have a Fall rally. I have been in constant communication with our awesome Wagon Master and we have decided to at least put together a camp-out. We also decided to make it closer to the middle of the country so more people will have an opportunity to attend.

It won't be like a normal rally but if you come to the Monaco America rallies because of the many friends we see, this will still be a lot of fun.

Hope you can come early and stay late.

Rich and Linda Cotterall cotterall@earthlink.net

Cell: (805) 732-2945



# Gary and Carole Granat Granat@worldnet.att.net

Are you coming to Claremore? We sure hope you are.

We have Monaco America's Fall Mini-Rally 2008 all set to take place in Claremore, Oklahoma. This will be at the Will Rogers Downs. There are plenty of neat things to do and see in the greater Claremore area, even a casino right at the Will Rogers Downs.

The Mini-Rally will be somewhat different compared to our usual rallies. There will be no Monaco Corporation presence and few, if any, seminars. But don't let that fool you, we guarantee you will have a great time. The rally is for 5 days, Sunday, October 5<sup>th</sup> through Thursday, October

## From The Wagon Master

9<sup>th</sup>, 2008. Our wonderful Oklahoma members will be hosting the Sunday evening meal. You'll want to get your application in now.

There will, also, be two catered meals, plus we're planning a Halloween Party/Pot Luck supper for Wednesday evening. Here's the challenge; decorate your RV site and wear your favorite costume to the supper. Who knows you may just win a terrific prize.

Secondly, it's not too early to plan for Monaco America's Spring 2009 Rally. This will be held in Goshen, Indiana. We'll do a lot of the same things we did last time we were in Goshen. You really do not want miss the Spring 2009 Rally.

Applications for both rallies are included in this Newsletter.

On a different topic, we need one or two volunteer couples to handle

#### By Gary Granat, Monaco America First Vice President

our Monaco America T-shirts and/or some of the Monaco America Cook Books. If you are interested in taking on one or both of these responsibilities, please contact Gary or Carole Granat with any questions and for the particulars involved. Thank you, we really need this help.

By golly that's it for now. May we plan on seeing you in Claremore and/or Goshen?

Travel Safe,

Gary & Carole Granat



# Back Home in Indiana's Amish Country

# Monaco America 2009 Spring Rally Application



# Elkhart County 4h Fairgrounds, Goshen, Indiana Monday evening, May 11<sup>th</sup> through Thursday, May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2009

Please circle all items that apply:

| COST: | Coach and 2 persons                    | 345.00   |
|-------|--|----------|
|       | Coach and 1 person                     | 295.00   |
|       | Extra person in coach (age 12 & above) | 100.00   |
|       | Extra person in coach (under age 12)   | 80.00    |
|       | Passport for 2 persons*                | 275.00   |
|       | Non-member fee**                       | 25.00    |
|       | ALL sites full hook-up                 | Included |
|       | Other brand coach fee***               | 50.00    |
|       | Total                                  |          |

Registration deadline: April 20, 2009. Cancellations request must be received by April 20, 2009 for a full refund.

#### Golf!

Information on local golf courses will be available at the information center!

### Make check payable to Monaco America

Mail to:

Monaco America C/O Rick Stone 5830 NW Expressway, Box 117 Oklahoma City, OK 73132

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Questions about the rally should be addressed to the Wagon Master:

Gary Granat Home (219) 462-8795 Cell (219) 921-6694 granat@worldnet.att.net

| First Name:  |               |       | <del></del>      |      |
|--------------|---------------|-------|------------------|------|
| Second Name: |               |       |                  |      |
|              |               |       | Email:           |      |
| City:        | s             | tate: | Zip:             |      |
| Phone:       | Coach Number: |       | FMCA Number:     |      |
| Coach Model: |               | _ No  | First Timer? Yes | _ No |

Rally price includes 4 nights (Mon, Tue, Wed, Thurs) camping with full hookups (50 amp site assigned as paid reservation is received), Welcome Gathering, 3 breakfasts, 3 evening meals, entertainment, vendors, seminars, social/cocktail hours, Ladies Tea, craft classes (additional cost may apply for craft classes) and all the fun that is a Monaco America Rally. (Early arrivals prior to Monday May 11th will need to dry camp at gate 4 & 5 at \$10/night plus tax; Stay past Thursday you must pay the park direct their customary rate.. Early arrivals and late departures CALL the park for reservations at 574-533-3247. DO NOT arrive early and park in a 50 amp site unless directed by the MA parking committee, you will have to relocate.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Persons owning any brand of motor coach, other than Monaco, may attend as the guest of a member but will be charged an additional \$50.00.



<sup>\*</sup>Handicapped: Must have a state issued handicapped placard displayed on your coach.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Persons owning a Monaco Esquire, Monarch, LaPalma, Cayman, Knight or Diplomat coach who are not members of Monaco America will be charged \$25.00 for first years membership dues. Persons owning any other Monaco Coach model may attend by paying the \$25.00 non-member fee.

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Great friends, food and fun at a Monaco America Rally!



See ALL our rally photos in color at

www.photobucket.com/ monacoamerica









### **Ladies Tea**

The Monaco America Rally Ladies Tea will be in <u>Goshen</u>. It will be **Christmas Blessings in May**. We will be blessing the Bashor Children's Home in Goshen. This is an early notice but many of these items will possibly be on sale during the Christmas Holidays.

This home has boys and girls from 8 to 18 years of age. We can bless them with sport items and games.

The sport items include basketballs, softballs, soccer balls, & footballs. Also, volleyball sets and volleyballs would be appreciated.

The home can also use all types of games, such as board games but all games have to be NON-violent.

Also they have all kinds of computer game systems and would appreciate

non-violent games. They have requested sport themed games for the computer systems.

The ladies of Monaco America have always been so generous in the past and I know this will be the same.

Any questions please contact Pam Franklin at <a href="mailto:pfrank@ameritech.net">pfrank@ameritech.net</a>



Monaco America on the road again!

# Monaco America's First Ever Mini-Rally

### Monaco America 2008 Mini-Rally Application



### Will Rogers Downs, Cherokee Casino

20900 South 4299 Road, Claremore, OK 74019

### Sunday October 5th, through Thursday, October 9th, 2008

Please circle all items that apply:

COST: Coach and 2 persons 175.00
Coach and 1 person 135.00
Non-member Monaco 195.00
ALL sites full hook-up Included
Other brand coach or guest 195.00
Total remitted \$

Registration and cancellation deadline: September 25, 2008.

Cancellations request must be received by September 25, 2008 for a full refund.

Make check payable to Monaco
America

Mail to:

Monaco America C/O Rick Stone 5830 NW Expressway, Box 117

Oklahoma City, OK 73132

Questions about the rally should be addressed to the

Gary Granat Home (219) 462-8795 Cell (219) 921-6694 granat@worldnet.att.net

Wagon Master:

| First Name:  |               |      |               |    |
|--------------|---------------|------|---------------|----|
| Second Name: |               |      |               |    |
|              |               |      |               |    |
| City:        | State:        |      | Zip:          |    |
| Phone:       | Coach Number: | FI   | MCA Number:   |    |
| Coach Model: |               | Fir: | st Timer? Yes | No |

Rally price includes 5 nights (Sun, Mon, Tue, Wed, Thurs) camping with full hookups, 3 evening meals including the Sunday Special by our Oklahomans,. Plus a whole lot of fun as always, and many neat attractions in the area, and the Cherokee Casino, for those who are interested. You are welcome to come early and to stay beyond the formal rally period.

The cost for each of your additional days is \$17.00 payable to Monaco America

Monaco America membership is open to persons owning a Monaco Esquire, Monarch, LaPalma, Cayman, Knight or

Diplomat.





## APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP/RENEWAL

Monaco America membership is open to owners of the following Monaco coaches: Esquire, Monarch, LaPalma, Cayman, Knight or Diplomat.

### Please fill in the following information (Print clearly, or type)

| Name (Member & Spouse)                  |  |
|---|--|
| Address                                 |  |
| City, State, Zip                        |  |
| Telephone                               |  |
| E-mail Address                          |  |
| Coach Year & Model                      |  |
|   | #, NOT VIN #)                                    |
|   |  |
| Annual Membership Dues*                 | \$15.00 (CURRENT members total due Jan. 1, 2009) |
| Initiation Fee (New applications only!) | \$10.00  |
| Total First Year Membership:            | \$25.00  |

\*Membership year is from January through December. First year dues paid after October 1 will also cover the following calendar year.

Please make checks payable to: Monaco America

Mail to: Monaco America, 5830 NW Expressway, Box 117, Oklahoma City, OK 73132



Moving?

Did you pay your MA dues? <u>Please</u> be sure to send Rick Stone your change of address and/or your dues check make **payable to Monaco** 

Email: oldchief1@sbcglobal.net or Rick Stone 5830 NW Expressway, Box 117

BOX II/

Oklahoma City, OK 73132

### Order Your Monaco America Cookbook Now!!

Recipes collected at our rallies! \$8.00 each plus shipping Contact :**Carole Granat** 

Email: Granat@worldnet.att.net

Phone: (219) 462-8795



#### Monaco America Board



# **America**

A Chapter of the Family Motor Coach Association

An International club for the owners of Esquire, Monarch, LaPalma, Cayman, **Knight and Diplomat Coaches** 

www.groups.yahoo.com/group/ monaco-america

### Questions on Club Membership?

Contact Carrol Henestofel, 759 Windward Way, Gahanna, OH 43230 or billhenes@copper.net or 614-939-3282 Annual Dues Only \$15

\$10 Initiation fee

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Only orders accompanied by payment in full by check will be accepted.



# Mark your calendars now For the following Monaco America Rallies!

### Fall Mini-Rally October 2008 Will Rogers Downs, Cherokee Casino

Dates: October 5th through October 9, 2008

### Spring 2009 Elkhart County 4H Fairgrounds in Goshen, Indiana

Dates: May 11<sup>th</sup> through May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2009

Application for the above rallies are on page 3 & 5 of this newsletter!



