



Monaco America News



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Well I thought we were going to escape the hot, hot weather this summer. WRONG!!! It waited until the end of August. We had a pretty good June and July with a couple of cool spells, however we are back to the weather Texas is famous for. Oh well, we will make it. Fall is around the corner. That means our rally is getting closer. Hopefully the weather will cool off before all of you visit our great State. With that said, we hope you have registered for the rally and your plans are coming together for your journey. Don't forget to bring those friends that you camp or travel with. We welcome everyone that has the same passion for our lifestyle. Who wouldn't want to kick back with your friends while enjoying good 'ole Mother Nature. If you have done any research about Glen Rose, you will see that there are lots of sites to see, if you want to venture out and about. Where else can you see dinosaur tracks up close and personal down in the creek at Dinosaur Valley. When our grandson was little, we took him to see them. He sat down in the water in a dinosaur track and played. He may not remember that, but it was an adventure we all shared.

We will have some of the traditional events at the rally, however we have planned some new seminars. One of these is a course on CPR/First Aid. It will be presented by our member Betty Hamilton. She is a registered nurse and teaches this course to others. We all need to know some basics when it comes to an emergency. We will have craft classes, informative seminars by Sky Med, and member generated seminars that will enhance the knowledge of your coach. We always have a great time reconnecting with friends, and meeting those new ones who have planned to join us. So you see things are going to be popping in Texas. Please send in that registration and join us for the party "Texas Style".



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A Note From the President

Dang, time sure does fly by; the end of summer is rapidly approaching. We certainly hope that you all have had a great summer made even better by enjoying your motorhome. We sure did. We spent about a month at 10,000 feet in the Colorado Rockies. This was in Taylor Park known for its ATV and motorcycle trails (100's of miles) and breathtaking scenery. In Taylor Park we choose to "dry" camp, this way we're right in the beautiful country, and are truly camping, in our opinion. The picture with this article was taken from our camp site. You can see why we so enjoy this gorgeous country.

Our younger daughter and oldest grand-daughter, also, spent a week with us in the coach. We all had a great time. You know sitting around the fire and enjoying s'mores or perhaps a drink of some sort. Life is good and we thank the Lord every day for being able to participate in this RV lifestyle. At this altitude the weather is terrific, lows in the 40's and highs in the 70's, with usually an afternoon shower. Our youngest son has a cabin in this general area, so we were able to have some very enjoyable family get togethers.

Now that we are back home, it's time to start thinking about Monaco America's Fall 2014 Rally coming up this October in Glen Rose, Texas.

We most certainly are, and hope you are, too, because we surely want to see you there. As usual, Sid & Carol have great plans for us; you do not want to miss out on all the fun. The best highlight of a Monaco America rally is the opportunity to spend time with old friends we haven't seen in months and to make new friends. It's always nice to catch up with what's going on.

Currently our Spring 2015 Rally is scheduled to take place at the Beach Bend Park in Bowling Green, Kentucky. Due to some concerns with this facility, we may change locations. If a change is made, an email will be sent to all members so advising you. The decision for or against a change will be made sometime in September.

I know we just had our club's election of officers, but that does not mean we should not be planning ahead. If you have any desire to serve our club, and I hope you do, as one of the officers, please take the time now to find out what is involved. There are synopses of job responsibilities on our web site, www.monacoamerica.com. Or talk to one of the current or past officers; then give your name to one of the Nominating Committee members. Monaco America needs your service. I am certain that at least a couple of our current officers will be retiring after this term.

Carole (with an e) and I truly hope to see you at all of our rallies. Let's, also, keep in mind those members who are struggling with health issues and pray for their rapid return to good health.

May God Bless you and this great country of ours. –GOD BLESS AMERICA!!!!!!

See you soon,
Gary & Carole





A Note From the Wagon Master

Sid and Carol Lenoir
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The Best Kept Secret in Texas! will soon be revealed to those of you who have registered, and also those who have registering in your future plans. The dates of the unveiling are, you're correct, October 13—16, 2014 to be held in the foot hills of Texas Hill Country in the quaint town of Glen Rose, TX. Oakdale Park is the secret we are talking about. To those of you who attend will be able to see just how nice this facility is. The property was purchased by the city and completely updated which included all the sites leveled and have water, sewer, electric (30/50), swimming pool, convention center, and so on. It's just the ideal setting for out rally. The park personnel have worked well with me, very accommodating and looking forward to serving the Monaco America members in attendance.

After each rally we have a rally critique (evaluation) made available to those in attendance. They are completed, returned, and reviewed by the Wagon Master to scan them and see if there might be suggestions for the betterment of future rallies. One suggestion from the Spring Rally was that each coach contribute one prize for either door prizes, bingo prized, or in any other event where prizes might be needed. In the past, vendors donated a good number of our prizes, but the number of vendors interested in supporting rallies the size of ours is dwindling fast. So if possible donations to our prize pool would be greatly appreciated. Remember, everybody likes to win **something**.

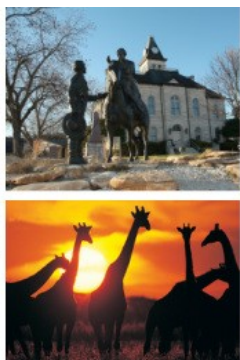
National Indoor RV Centers has agreed to provide several demo units for our rally. By the way, there will be representatives from Indoor to assist with viewing and to answer questions. Chances are they would love to put you in the drivers seat of one. So at the rally, stop by the demos and give a shout to Tim Feldotto, sales manager, for his efforts in making out rally a fun and informative time. By the way, Newmar is the primary product that will be on display.

On Monday, several events are scheduled to take place during the day and of course during the evening. So make sure you include Monday the 13th. In your plans. Hey you guys, ROMEO is planning an event with us at the rally, so be prepared for a fun time.

Well, it's off to putting the final touches on setting our rally into motion, and tying up the loose ends. Hope to see a lot of you folks in Glen Rose and when traveling this way, please be safe!!

Looking forward to a fun filled rally,

Sid and Carol (no e)



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Last Name _____

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Coach Model _____ FMCA # _____

Handicapped * _____ Yes _____ No First Timer _____ Yes _____ No

_____ Mail rally confirmation packet or _____ Hold rally packet at Info Ctr.

(All applications received after Sept. 15, 2014 will not be mailed, but held at Info Ctr.)

CHECK ALL THAT APPLY

- 2 Per Coach \$375.00
- 1 Person \$325.00
- Passport for 2 ** \$295.00
- Non-member *** \$ 25.00

TOTAL _____

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Visit our website for more information and updates. www.monacoamerica.com

* Handicapped: Notify Wagon Master as to your special needs if required. We will try to accommodate based on the RV Parks.

** Passport attendees are eligible for all meals, entertainment, seminars, & exhibits. **No camping included in this package.**

*** Non-members of Monaco America will be charged a \$25.00 non-member fee. For eligible coaches wishing to become members of Monaco America, this fee will be applied to the first year's membership in Monaco America. Newsletter

Attention Crafters

Carole Granat
Craft Coordinator



Again we will have two craft sessions at Glen Rose, one by Peggy Morris and the other facilitated by me. We always need ideas for new and different craft classes, and some other members to present their special skills. Please share those ideas with me prior to our Spring 2015 rally. We need some other members involved with this fun time. For those of you who don't think you're "crafty", please don't hesitate to join us and watch. You will enjoy the conversation as well.

Carole Granat



Ladies Tea News

It's time to think about our charities for our Glen Rose Rally. At Sevierville you voted to sponsor two charities, the Glen Rose Retirement Home and the Glen Rose Food Bank.

For the retirement home we are going to make goody bags for the 65 residents in the home. The bags can have toiletries, sun catchers, playing cards, notepaper & pens, candy and puzzle books. They also play BIN-GO every day so little prizes are very much welcomed.



The Food Bank serves about 130 families a month. Their needs are peanut butter, cereal, Hamburger Helper, pastas, canned meat & fruit, diapers, toiletries, and paper products. And if you haven't forgotten that good old thing called *cash*, it's always helpful. As always, I know our club's generosity will overwhelm the chosen charities.



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 * have recently added more than 250 photos from our rallies in Tucson, Amana Colonies, and Sevierville. You can *
 * view our photo album by clicking on the PHOTOS tab at the top of each page. The photos are arranged in *
 * "galleries". When you click on a gallery, you will see thumbnails of each photo. At the top of the page you will *
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 * Don't forget to read our Monaco America Newsletters. You'll find all of them under the NEWSLETTERS tab at *
 * the top of each page. Enjoy! Bert Garcia, Monaco America Webmaster *



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MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!!**

Fall 2014

Oakdale RV Park
1019 N E Barnard St.
Glen Rose, TX
October 13—16, 2014



Spring 2015

Beech Bend Park (tentative)
798 Beech Bend Road
Bowling Green, Kentucky
May 18—21, 2015

