

Monaco America News



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To all those who attended the rally in Glen Rose, we hope you had a "Good 'Ole Texas Time". We tried to give you some of that down home flavor. Hopefully we succeeded. A group of us went out for dinner a the local watering

hole the Loco Coyote. Everyone was surprised at the portions. I

think everyone took home a doggy bag. Another good place at group of us ate at was the Green Pickle. Well, I for one had never had fried green pickles. Well I have now. Those pickles were worth the trip. The Oakdale RV Park staff was very helpful, and met our needs without question. A bid "Thank You" goes out to them. As in the style of Monaco America, we



brought the

much needed rain, again. They sure needed it. It however did not seem to slow us down with our outdoor activities. The guys got to pitch those washers and I believe a new winning team was crowned. Our pet show was well attended by our four legged kids. And how about that outdoor entertainment? What a wonderful evening

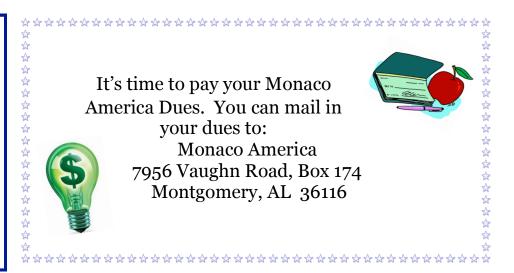


to sit out under the stars.

It's time to take a break and enjoy the holiday season with friends and family. Have a wonderful holiday and a Very Happy New Year. When spring rolls around, don't forget to get that registration in for our Spring Rally in Ohio.

Hope to see you there !!!

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A Note From the President

Glen Rose, a good time had by all. To me, there was a surprising amount of history in the Glen Rose area, what a neat place to hold our Fall 2014 Rally. We had a little rain just before the rally, which the locals appreciated, and after that the weather was perfect. Some 40 members ate out Saturday before the rally at the "Loco Coyote", unless you've been there it's hard to describe, good food and fun.

Mike Snell, the president of Monaco RV was able to spend

time with us on Tuesday morning. Mike provided update information on this new Monaco RV and answered many questions from members. We very much appreciate this reestablishment of a working relationship between Monaco RV and Monaco America; this relationship will be good for Monaco RV and Monaco America. Mike surprised us by having a 2015 Dynasty at the site for everyone to go through, pretty impressive. With our Spring 2015 Rally being held in Marengo,



Ohio, which about 2 hours from the Monaco RV facility in Decatur, Indiana, we expect substantial support from Monaco RV. Monaco RV will attempt to have display coaches at the site, hopefully have some type to Monaco Tech person join us for discussions and/or seminars, and provide attendees with "coupons" for service at the Decatur facility before or after our rally.

During our business meeting Tuesday morning, attendees were advised that an updated "By-Laws" will be posted on our web site. To put us in compliance with FMCA, some simple verbiage changes were made and the voting requirement was changed to "each adult member votes" not one vote per unit as previously stated. The only old business was the possibility of a name change for our club; this was tabled by the Monaco America Board.

We will be getting a new Newsletter editor. Suellen Hodge has agreed to take on this challenge. Suellen and Carol Lenoir will handle the transition. We welcome Suellen to this task, and most certainly, thank Carol for her outstanding work in making Monaco America News an award winning publication.

Now we look forward to Marengo, Ohio, this will be an interesting rally. Not only is the Cardinal Center a unique facility, it will be the first rally in sometime that we will have the participation of Monaco RV. Note your calendars now; you do not want to miss this rally.

As always, please keep those members who are struggling with health issues in our prayers.

Travel Safe and God Bless America Gary & Carole Granat



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A Note From the Wagon Master

I start my article with a well known adage, "Boy how time flies when you'rehaving fun". Such is the case, I believe, can be confirmed by the attendees of our Fall Rally in Glen Rose. I thought the setting for the rally was appreci ated by all. How about the outdoor setting for the Thurs-

day night entertainment? The fantastic sounds were presented on the outdoor stage. Oakdale Park personnel were outstanding in their desire to see that all our requests for any type of assistance were tended to in a minimal time frame. Thanks Oakdale for your contributions in making our rally a very successful adventure.

Presently things are at a lull as rally planning goes. A shout out to Alan and Sharon Jackson who reside in the state of Ohio and have been asked to serve as Rally Masters for our Spring Rally to a be held in Marengo, Ohio. The Fitzsimmons (Tom & Cathy) will be helping the Jackson's as needed. Thanks in advance to these folks for their efforts in helping make our rally a success. At present the format for our upcoming Spring Rally is being formulated. All that I'm sure of is, that Fun Filled events are being planned for those in attendance. Have you submitted your registration yet?

I would like to say a by heartfelt THANK YOU to our newsletter editor, who is retiring after this edition, for all that she has contributed in making Monaco America the most informed FMCA chapter in existence. All your efforts, input and professionalism are, and will in time to come, be appreciated by those who have and will read your publications. Good luck to Suellen Hodge in her new duties as our newsletter editor (and chapter secretary).

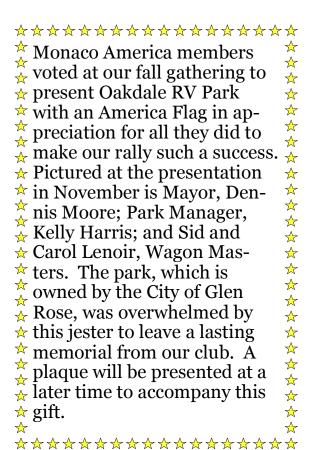


How quickly the Christmas season is once more rolling around the bend. So Carol and I would like to wish all our friends of Monaco America, their families, and friends a Joyful Christmas season and a successful and Happy New Year. Most of all, I hope none of us will forget the Reason for the Season.

Merry Christmas to All !!! Sid and Carol Lenoir



















Monaco America Spring Rally May 11—14, 2015 Cardinal Center Campground 616 State Route 61 Marengo, OH 43334

RALLY FEE INCLUDES 4 nights (M, T, W, Th) camping with full hookups, Monday Welcome Gathering, 3 Breakfasts/Evening Meals, Entertainment, Vendors, Seminars, Social Hours, Ladies Tea, Craft Classes, & all the <u>FUN</u> that is a Monaco America Rally. Cardinal Center—419-253-0800



CHECK ALL THAT APPLY

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	• 2 Per Coach	\$375.00	
	• 1 Person	\$325.00	
	• Passport for 2 **	\$295.00	
	• Non-member ***	\$ 25.00	
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	Make check payable to :		
	Monaco America		
	Mail to: Monaco America		
	7956 Vaughn Rd.	, Box 174	
	Montgomery, AL	36116	
	Questions concerning the rally should be addressed to the Wagon Master:		
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RALLY REGISTRATION FORM

We Welcome all coaches in good standing with FMCA

Towables are welcome as guests of attending members at the non-member rate

Last Name		
First Person	Spouse Name	
Address		
City	StateZip	
E-mail		
Cell Phone		
Coach Model	FMCA #	
Handicapped *Yes	No First TimerYesNo	
Mail rally confirmation packet or Hold rally packet at Info Ctr. <i>(All applications received after Sept. 15, 2014 will not be mailed, but held at Info Ctr.)</i>		

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



Carole Granat Craft Coordinator





The crafters enjoyed the two sessions that were provided by our members. One was a bracelet by Peggy Morris and Tressa Williams. It was fairly easy and very *sparkley*. The other craft was presented by Carole Granat. Members made Christmas gifts and ornaments. We will have crafts at the Spring Rally, however those have not been finalized as of yet. Remember if

you have some crafts you would like to see at the rally or be a presenter, you are always welcome to contact Carole. As you we like to do all kinds of things and have a wealth of knowledge in

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Ladies Tea News

THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU that's what I heard from the nursing home and the food pantry of Glen Rose. And also thank you from us who attended the Tea to Peggy, Tressa, Betty, Joanne, and Phyllis .

Now for the Marengo Rally we will be sponsoring the Heartbeat of Morrow County which is a crisis pregnancy and new life

prenatal center. Their needs are many. They provide for children up to size 5T. Sleepers and gowns in neutral colors, S,M,&L onezies, 3 pack baby bottles and pacifiers, changing pads, receiving blankets and burp pads, toddler and pre-school socks and underwear to size 5, hooded bath towels and wash cloths, sheets for cribs, pack-n-play and bassinet, diaper bags , shampoo and lotion but no oil or powder. They make up little gift bags with small stuffed animals, teething rings, rattles and brush and comb sets. They will also take very gently used items. If you buy winter things such as coats, sweatshirts, boots, mittens, scarves and hats that are on sale later this year and they are always in need of them. They do not need diapers—there is a diaper manufacturer nearby and they keep them supplied all the time. Money is always appreciated; they buy cribs, mattresses and strollers. Just about anything you would give them will be used.

See you in Marengo,

Carole Granat

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K Omit the quotes and type in all lowercase letters.

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