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## THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

BY GARY MCEACHERN

Two years of Rocky Mountain Country Coacher rallies have been completed with the "Chuckwagon" rally in beautiful Jackson Hole, Wyoming. As they say—"How time flies when you 're having fun."

Without dwelling on this rally, as Don Rau has given his usual excellent coverage of the entire event, I would like to say that the rains blew out as we arrived a few days early and the sun shone the entire week! How fortunate we were to have been blessed with such perfect weather in the Tetons. The only other comment is to mention that consistent with our "rally mode," we offered attendees some activity options with some volunteer coordinators. I would like to thank Jim and Shirley O'Brien for efforts in organizing the float trip down the Snake River. Also, our thanks to Rick and Marsha Parks for organizing and leading the four-wheel drive expedition through the Bridger-Teton Range. Each of these events provided participants



President Gary McEachern and Sec./Treas. Gail McEachern

with a unique perspective of the beautiful Teton Valley known as "Jackson Hole."

On another topic, the Nominating Committee is still working on the position of Vice-President, while all other positions have been accepted. This is a position that bears little burden, as the Vice President presides over meetings when the President is absent and provides support to the President and other officers as needed. While typically, the VP position is largely a back-up position, we could consider an expansion of the role to include the function of recruiting hosts and coordinating activities as-

sociated with the rallies. Under the assumption that the Vice President will become the next President, this rally exposure would be great experience in providing the necessary leadership in succeeding years. Perhaps I'll put this on the agenda for Feb. 2005.

In closing, Gail and I would like to thank all our club members for their support in making this chapter such a success! Also, we would like to thank those members who have committed to host the rallies scheduled for 2005. Lastly, our sincere thanks and appreciation for all the support from our sponsor Beaudry RV, without which none of this would have been possible.

There is no end in sight with a seemingly infinite number of great rally sights to pursue in the years ahead. Let the good times roll ... in the Rockies!

*Gary McEachern,*  
President ☞

## Chuckwagon Rally, Jackson Hole, WY

By Don Rau



The Chuckwagon Rally, held in Jackson, Wyoming at the Virginian RV Park on September 7th through the 10th, was a really fun rally to add to the other 5 great rallies RMCC has had in the past year and a half. This rally had lots of activities to keep us occupied,

but plenty of time to do our own thing as well. As always, the fellowship was outstanding and the weather was just beautiful all week long.

Tuesday, September 7th was arrival and registration day. When we got there, we found that many of the folks had

already arrived at least a day ahead of schedule. The check-in procedure had been well "greased" so that it went very quickly. From Gail and Gary, we got tour rally packages with our

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## OLD PUEBLO RALLY II BEAUDRY RV, TUCSON, AZ

Yes, it's that time of year again when we meet together for our annual meeting. New officers will be elected at this meeting. We will all be sorry to see Gary leave the great job he has been doing for the past two years, but at the same time we can be glad that we have a new candidate, Mike Cocci, with all of

the qualifications needed to do another great job. Gail will also be leaving her Secretary's job, but will remain as our Treasurer. Both McEacherns have done an outstanding job.

*Thanks Gary and Gail!*

And as always, we will be fed well during the rally with a block party, a lunch, and a

pizza party to end the rally.

For more information see the registration form attached to this Newsletter.

Rally contacts:

Gary McEachern: 520-237-8992

Gail McEachern: 520-275-0501 ☺

*Don't forget to mark your calendar so you won't miss the*

### Old Pueblo Rally II

At the Beaudry RV Park

Tucson, AZ

February 26 thru 28,  
2005

*Followed by the*

### Rocky Point Rally

At the Playa Bonita RV  
Park

Puerto Penasco, MX

March 1 thru 4,  
2005

*Lots of fun, good food, our annual meeting, and a chance to visit with other great Country*



Here's Gail in her new T-shirt which reads:

**"Hair By Jeep  
Moab Jeep Safari!"**

Following the Old Pueblo Rally in Tucson, come and enjoy a trip to old Mexico with the RMCCers March 1 thru 4.

Five days and 4 nights at Puerto Penasco, Mexico, where you will enjoy a perfect beach getaway at Rocky Point. The rally includes cocktails and dinner at LaCurva's on Monday, dinner at the

Motel Maruichi on Tuesday, sunset cruise (optional) on Wednesday, and time to shop 'till you drop, or just waste away in Margaritaville.

Better register early so you won't miss out on all the fun. Spaces are limited.

A rally registration form is attached to this Newsletter.

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602-390-0743 ☺

## ROCKY POINT RALLY PLAYA BONITA RV PARK, PUERTO PENASCO, MEXICO

### Gail's Reward!(?)

Well, I just guess I was a little brain dead. As I was finishing stuffing the envelopes for the last Newsletter, the one featuring our Moab Rally, I finally realized that I had forgotten to include an article that I had promised a couple of important RMCC people that I would put in that issue. Yes, I had definitely been (hopefully temporarily), *brain dead* when I was composing the articles for that issue.

So-o-o-o, I am now going to try to recover from my big error by inserting that article in this issue. As you noticed from the last issue

of your RMCC Newsletter, those brave souls who were there went on a 4-wheeling trip in the local mountains. It was beautiful but rather remote from civilization. There were those along who thought that they had made a mistake in coming. Most definitely one of those was our dear Secretary/Treasurer, Gail McEachern. Gail was, shall we say, *on edge*, during most of the trip? At any rate, she was very happy to arrive back in camp after the long drive up the side of a very steep mountain, graced with a narrow gravel road and hair-pin turns all the way.

To help her remember her trip, the trip-leaders, Bob Colclazier, and Don Becker bought her a T-shirt which depicts Gail as she emerged from the mountain top. The T-shirt was properly presented to her that evening at our final dinner in a local restaurant. So here she is with her new T-shirt. ☺



# CHUCKWAGON RALLY

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rally agenda and lots of information about Jackson Hole and local attractions. At 5:00 we gathered around the Virginian Lodge swimming pool for a pizza party. Everyone enjoyed renewing old friendships and making new ones as well as sharing in the fun of eating the pizza and other goodies provided by our Rally Masters, Gail and Gary McEachern. It was certainly good to see our former member Babe Humphreys at the pool/pizza party. Babe and his wife Martha, who own the Bar-J Ranch in Jackson Hole, had originally been scheduled to be co-rally masters, but then they went and traded their Country Coach in for **ANOTHER BRAND**. Oh well, we still love them. Babe reported that Martha had just gotten home from the hospital after undergoing surgery, and therefore wouldn't be able to attend the rally. Sure hope she is doing better now! We all missed you Martha!

Wednesday morning we were treated to a nice breakfast in a special room of the Virginian Restaurant. Breakfast was followed by our business meeting. See the attached minutes of that meeting with this issue of your Newsletter. Reggie Knight announced a contest to be held during our rally. The contest had us looking for and counting the number of wild animals we saw while we went about our daily activities each day. The coach that counted the most animals was to win a prize at the Friday evening dinner.

Since our next scheduled event wasn't until 5:00, we had plenty of time to do whatever suited us. Some went shopping, some sightseeing, and a few just "hung out" at the park. But at 5:00 we carpooled to the Bar-J Ranch for dinner and a fantastic Western Show with lots of great music and superb comedy.

Those guys had us tappin' our toes to the music and rollin' in the aisles with laughter.

Thursday was a day to do lots of different things on our own. A large group of us, led by the O'Brien's who made the reservations, took a 10 mile scenic float trip down the Snake River. It was a beautiful day with sunshine and cool breezes. The scenery was gorgeous with the Teton Mountains in the distance. On several occasions we were treated to views of wild life including deer and beavers as well as a pair of eagles, which, according to our very knowledgeable guide, is a rarity that time of year. The trip included 4 rafts of 13 people each that took about 2 hours and was enjoyed by all.

Friday morning several of our hearty members got together for a round of golf at the Teton Peaks Golf Course, which was arranged by Babe Humphreys and Mel Sapp. Be sure to read Mel's story about that on page 7 of this Newsletter.

Our rally masters, Gary and Gail, had a very special dinner planned at the Virginian Restaurant Friday evening. We had the place to ourselves, and we pretty well filled it. (Seems like nobody in this club ever wants to miss food.) The dinner was very nice and the fellowship outstanding as always, as could be told by the high decibel level in the room. As dinner time came to a conclusion, Gary turned on a CD and into the restaurant came Cheryl Toland, the McEachern's daughter, doing an eastern style belly dance. Several of the guys tucked dollar bills into her "belt" as she danced past, which brought on lots of

ribbing (if you'll pardon the pun!) by other guys who wished they could get close enough to add their dollars too. She was very good at her dance and we did appreciate the show.

Reggie also announced the winners of the "Wild Animal Count Contest." And the winners were Dave and Beverly Nelson who had gone up to Yellowstone park one day and found over 350 wild beasts. Their prize was a bobble-head buffalo. Congratulations Dave and Beverly.

Those of us who weren't too tired yet then adjourned to a back room of the restaurant to watch a video that the O'Brien's made of the rafting trip. Thanks Jim and Shirley for the show. After that show, Larry Hanson favored us with several "Cowboy Poems," which were quite humorous. I have included one on page 4 of this newsletter for your enjoyment. After that it was bedtime for most of us.

Saturday turned out to be another beautiful day for us to depart to our many different destinations, to look forward to the next great rally. ☺

## A Note From Sherry Fanning

"It recently came to my attention that we are not always made aware of Club Members who are experiencing serious illness or those who have experienced the death of their mate.

Please help keep me up to date on all Family Album news (surgeries, serious illnesses, etc.) and all Heaven's Highway News (Club members who have passed away). I want to be sure to acknowledge these in the Destinations magazine.

You may e-mail me at [sfanning@countrycoach.com](mailto:sfanning@countrycoach.com) or drop me a note at Sherry Fanning, Marketing Dept., P.O. Box 400, Junction City, OR 97448. ☺

Pictures from the Chuckwagon Rally



The Nelsons, winners of the wild animal contest, with their bobble-head buffalo.



Our 1st meeting was for food and a chance to meet friends.



A fabulous show at Babe & Martha Humphrey's Bar-J Ranch



Gail & Gary's daughter, Cheryl Toland, entertained us with a Belly Dance.

# Wild Animal Contest

By Reggie Knight



Reggie Knight  
Contest Director

The RMCCers had their first rally contest in Jackson Hole, WY this past September. The goal of the contest was to guess the total number of designated wild animals seen by those attending during 2 1/2 days of the rally. The designated animals were deer, elk, moose, buffalo and pronghorn. Contest forms were given to 31 coaches and 11 forms were

returned at the end of the contest. The total number of animals seen was 586. The winners were Dave and Beverly Nelson of Las Vegas who saw 304. The prize was a buffalo bobble-head. The number of animals seen in the Grand Teton area was very small, but 2 couples including the Nelsons, drove to Yellowstone National Park and saw many animals

which accounts for the high number.

I enjoyed organizing this contest and might plan contests for other rallies. It is up to the rally members to participate if they want to, but it is much more fun if more people would participate.

(Editors Note: Thanks Reggie for doing a great job.) ☺

# A COWBOY POEM

BY Larry Hanson



Larry Hanson  
Cowboy Poet

The light shown through the swinging doors and spilled itself on the street.

It stumbled over a show and lit at the cowboy's feet.....

Who was a bit inebriated.... Well, completely blitzed!

He listed to the port and swayed like his equilibrium was

on the fritz!

He surveyed the customer parking in search of his trusty bay.

When low and behold he found his horse....but facing the backwards way!

"Great Scott, my Equine has been damaged, been messed

with," the cowboy said.

Then he came to the brilliant conclusion that someone had cut off his head!

He road the bay all the way to the ranch....

With his finger stuck in it's windpipe to keep it from bleeding to death! ☺

# RALLY HOO!

## 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.

### 2005

- January 6 — 9, "Wine and White Lights at Rancho Resorts," Outdoor Resorts, Rancho, Calif. (This is a NEW rally!)
- February 26—28 "Old Pueblo Rally II, Tucson, AZ RMCC's annual business meeting at Beaudry RV
- March 1—5 "Mexico Ole Rally" at the Playa Bonita RV Park, Rocky Point, Mex.
- March 15—18 CCI Pre Rally to the FMCA Winter

Convention at Spencer Field/Community Center, Moultrie, Georgia

- March 22—24 FMCA International Winter Convention at Georgia National Fairgrounds and Agri-Center, Perry, Georgia
- May 1—4 RMCC VIVA Las Vegas Rally; Las Vegas, NV
- August 8—12 CCI Pre Rally to the FMCA Summer Convention at Red River Valley Fairgrounds, West Fargo, North Dakota
- August 16 - 18 FMCA International Convention at North Dakota State Fairgrounds, Minot, ND.
- September 5—8 RMCC "Big Sky Rally; Polson (Flathead Lake), MT

October 20—24 RMCC "Chile Fiesta" Rally, Hacienda RV Resort, Las Cruces, NM ☺

## On The Lighter Side

Three old guys are out walking; the first one says, "Windy isn't it?" The second guy says, "No, it's Thursday!" The third guy says, "So am I; let's go get a beer!"

A man was telling his neighbor, "I just bought a hearing aid that cost me \$4,000. but it is state of the art, it's perfect!"

"Really," answered the neighbor. "What kind is it?"

"Twelve thirty," was the reply. ☺



## RMCC News Bites

By Gail McEachern

- Congratulations to Beverly Nelson on her cover photo for Country Coach Destinations Magazine (Autumn 2004) – *Way to go, Bev!*
- Reminder: Country Coach Int'l Club to print new Club Membership Roster in 2005. Please update contact information for CCI (see p. 64 Destination Mag. Autumn 2004). Please send a copy to RMCC Secretary.
- Be sure to read "On The Road In Wyoming and Colorado" by Ed and Jean Grabman (Destinations, Autumn 2004) – great article on two great states in our Rocky Mountain region. (A condensed version is in this Newsletter.)
- Accolades to Jim and Shirley O'Brien who organized the first annual jam session for musically talented attendees at the 2004 Class Reunion.
- 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.
- Our thoughts and prayers are with Bill Pontsler as he undergoes hip surgery. We trust Dorothy will take good care of him. (E-mail: pontslerbd@aol.com) Address: 17200 W Bell Rd. #972, Surprise, AZ 85374)
- Gary and Gail McEachern and Ron and Susan Williams participated in the Delta Sierra rally at Buckhorn Lake Resort in Kerrville, TX enroute to the CCI Fall Fun Rally in New Orleans, LA. We want to thank Delta Sierra Country Coachers for their hospitality – Great food, great people, and great music. We especially want to thank Beaudry RV for sponsoring the Country Music band at the "pig roast" grande finale dinner.
- Gary and Gail added another notch in their belt by attending the CCI Fall Fun rally in New Orleans along with many other RMCCers including Dan Durham, Charlie and Mary Granone along with their daughter, Teresa, J.L. and Wanda Jean, Jack and Wanda Kelly, James and Gloria Koeppel, Bo and Kathy Lee, Gus and Sandy Panteopoulus, Ron and Susan Williams. It was a fun-filled event with Cajun food, Cajun music, New Orleans city tour, Mississippi Riverboat Cruise and Mardi Gras Ball. Our thanks to Bob and Dee Pastoral, CCI Club President and his wife, Jerry, and Sherry O'Connor, and all those on the Country Coach team who made it possible. ☺



### An Important Note For Those Going to The Rocky Point, Mexico Rally

If you are planning to take the trip with the RMCC Group going to Mexico for the Rocky Point Rally in Puerto Penasco, Mexico, please take note of the Mexican Insurance form attached to this Newsletter! In order to make the trip into Mexico we all must obtain the proper insurance for our vehicles. To make that an easy task we ask that you complete the pre-registration form and mail it to the proper authorities in January 2005. Make a note on an attachment fastened to the form that you will be coming through on or about March 1, 2005 with the Rocky Mountain Country Coachers. We are advised to get just 2 days insurance on

our coach and 5 days on the car. Since we are looking for about 40 coaches for this rally, following these simple procedures will speed up getting processed through.

If you have any questions call either Ray VanDenBerg at 623-932-5459, or drop him a note at: 12120 W Southern Ave., Tolleson, AZ 85353; or call Jack Kelly at 623-935-5790 or drop him a note at PO Box 631 Litchfield Park, AZ 85340. ☺

#### RMCC baseball caps for sale!

The Pontslers now have very attractive baseball caps with the RMCC logo embroidered on it for sale for the special price of \$12.50. Contact them at: 623-214-7822. ☺

### "Classified Ad"

Country Coach Motorhome for Sale: 2003 1/2, 40' Allure, First Avenue Limited Edition. Beautiful Cascade floor plan, Stonehenge exterior, walnut cabinetry. 370 horsepower ISL Cummins engine with 2 stage Jake brake. Virtually all options including Bose Home Theater System, Moto-Sat automatic satellite system, Advantium oven, tile entry landing, washer/dryer, power shore cord reel, Girard patio awning, Ekornes chair and ottoman, electric china toilet, concealable back-up monitor, safe, and swing out snack tray. No shoes, no pets, no smoking. Only 23,000 miles. Absolutely mint condition! \$227,500

Call Dick Sanders at 602-418-4662. ☺



## Anacortes, Washington ... A Travelogue

By Reggie and Bill Knight

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Anacortes is 18 miles north of Seattle on Fidalgo Bay. Take exit 227 off I-5 at Burlington, go west on Rt. 20 and turn on the first right after the left turn-off for Whidbey Island. There are 3 RV parks in the area that will accommodate our rigs: Fidalgo Bay Resort, Pioneer Trails RV Resort & Campground, and Northern Lights Casino, which just opened. We have stayed twice at Fidalgo Resort Park which is a large park and has many rallies. It is very popular, so reservations are necessary. We made our reservations for the first week in August in May and could only get six days when we wanted seven. There are two sections to the park; you should request the back section near the bay because there is less noise from Rt. 20 back there.

There are many things to do in the area. From Anacortes you can take a ferry to various places on the San Juan Islands or to Sidney, BC. You can drive to Whidbey Island and just drive around or you can take a ferry from Keystone Harbor to Port Town-

send on the Olympic Peninsula. If you take your car on the ferry, you can drive around Port Townsend and view the interesting architecture and visit Fort Worden. Or you can also drive to Sequim and visit a few lavender farms. Continuing on Rt. 101, you can take the ferry to Victoria, BC from Port Angeles. Most RV parks and Visitor Information Centers have the ferry schedules, but call the Washington State Ferry to confirm sailing times.

You can also go whale watching from Anacortes. There are two companies that will take you on a whale watching cruise: Island Adventures Whale Watching, and Mystic Sea Charter Whale Watching. We went with Island Adventures and didn't see any whales so we got a free pass for another cruise as long as the company is in business. However, we did see sea lions, eagles, marine birds and purple starfish. If you don't see whales with the Mystic Sea Charters you will be given a pass for another cruise within the same year.

For the ladies there is serious shopping in Burlington which is 17 miles from Anacortes, east of Rt. 20. At the first main intersection after going under I-5, turn right onto S. Burlington Blvd. Along that street are all the chain stores that you can find in any strip mall plus Costco, a large shopping mall, a factory outlet and Fred Meyer.

From Visitor Centers and RV parks you can pick up brochures and all kinds of literature about the entire area. We were so busy we didn't have time to read any of the literature until after we left, so we'll be going back. ☺

(Editors note: I want to thank Reggie for being my backup for the Chuckwagon Rally. Since I wasn't at all sure I was going to be able to attend that rally, I asked Reggie if she would fill in for me as Newsletter Editor. She very graciously agreed to do so. However, when she saw that I was able to be there, she told me to take over. Anyhow, Thanks Reggie, maybe another time.)

## DELORME TOPOUSA 5.0 GPS SYSTEM

BY BILL AND REGGIE KNIGHT

**TECH TIP!**

A GPS navigation system has become a common (Necessary?) tool for planning and tracking our travels. Newer coaches and cars have built in GPS systems. There are a number of handheld GPS devices, including cell phones and PDA's, which can be purchased at various electronic stores. A system we use and like is the DeLorme TopoUSA 5.0 system installed in a notebook computer. The DeLorme Earthmate GPS detector is connected to a USB port in the computer and is placed in the front window of

the coach. The DeLorme TopoUSA 5.0 software on the computer is used to plan and track our travels each day. The program draws the planned route (not always the same!). While tracking, the program can display travel speed, direction, latitude, longitude and elevation. A feature of the program, unlike other GPS systems, is map shading that provides an impression of the surrounding terrain elevation. The program has a 3-D mode that provides increased depth of views for better visualization of the

terrain.

The navigator/co-pilot may want to acquire a Laptop Desk from [www.laptopdesk.net](http://www.laptopdesk.net) to support the notebook computer for this system. Notebook computers become very warm on the bottom. Also, notebook computer batteries do not last very long. A power adapter that plugs into the cigarette lighter is also useful. We use the "juice" device by iGo.

If you would like more information or a demonstration, see us at the next rally or send us an e-mail at [reglk@att.net](mailto:reglk@att.net). ☺

# Jackson Hole Golf

By Mel Sapp

Seventeen brave Golfers faced the terrible Links at Teton Peaks. A great day as far as the weather was concerned, but the golf course ate our lunch! We kept score by keeping track of how many balls we lost and how many balls we found. You were better off with a 100 yard

straight shot than a 200 yard shot out in the weeds. If you got off the fairway, you were in Never-Never Land.

However, everyone had a great time and the scenery was spectacular. It reaffirmed that old saying: "a bad day of golf beats a good day at work

every time."

We were pleased with the number of ladies that played. This is a good thing, and they sure look better than us guys anyway. No scores were posted and no prizes were awarded so everyone was a winner. ☺

## On The Road in Wyoming and Colorado

By Ed and Jean Grabman

We left home on June 4, our 44th Anniversary, and drove to Albuquerque, to camp for the weekend with friends. As it turned out, we ate our way through the weekend with our dear friends.

After we left to go our separate ways on Monday morning, Ed and I and our 2 dogs headed north to Raton, NM, where we stayed 2 nights, touring Sugarite State Park, an old coal mining area. From Raton we drove up to Cheyenne, WY, and camped for about 5 days at F.E. Warren AFB Fam Camp. Then we continued north to Devil's Tower National Monument. It is in the northeast corner of Wyoming, near the South Dakota border, where 60 million years ago, molten magma forced sedimentary rocks above the ground and the erosion over millions of years exposed this towering rock. It stands 5,112 feet above sea level. The diameter of its base is 1,000 ft. It is sacred to the Indians, and each year many people climb it. Since June is the most sacred time for the Indians, most climbers wait until other months before making the climb.

After Devil's Tower, we camped at Gillette, WY, where we took some self guided auto tours, and saw many unusual wild animals. We loved the sights of inter-

esting rock formations and different colors on the rocks at different times of the day.

After Gillette, we camped at Greybull for 4 days. Near there, while traveling through the Bighorn Mountains, we saw 5 moose, 2 sand hill cranes and a herd of wild horses. The next camping place was Cody, for a week. Cody has much to offer. They have several museums, the largest of which is actually 5 museums in one, the Buffalo Bill Historical Center.

As we traveled on our day tours, we drove up over 10,047 feet, and saw much snow. We saw many more antelope, a herd of elk, lots of chipmunks, marmots, lots of lovely wild flowers and alpine lakes. One day while we were camped at Cody, we drove over to Yellowstone National Park. That day in addition to antelope, we saw herds of buffalo, a cow moose, a black bear, elk, and we stopped to watch a coyote attempting to catch a prairie dog for lunch, unsuccessfully.

Wyoming has lots of "firsts." By that I mean the 1st in the nation — National Park (Yellowstone), National Forest (Shoshone), National Monument (Devils Tower), the first polo field, first business west of the Missouri River, first American Legion post, etc. It had the first woman gover-

nor, the first female voter, first female prison Chaplain, and was the first state to grant women full citizenship in the country. Interesting?

While camped at Rawlins, we toured the original Wyoming Frontier Prison, built in 1898 and in use until 1981.

It was generally sweatshirt weather in Wyoming, with lovely clear air. Mornings started out generally sunny. By afternoon, it often clouded over and sometimes spit a few drops of rain—not enough to measure.

One of the highlights of our trip was to take part in the morning worship service here in the famous and beautiful AF Academy Chapel in Colorado, and to take communion there. We are now camped at the AF Academy Fam Camp, one of our most favorite campgrounds. The area here is beautiful, and of the 3 Academies we have visited and camped, we think the AF one is the most beautiful. Hopefully, we aren't prejudiced.

In our month of travels, we have seen some really spectacular scenery, and lots of wild animals. We enjoy it so much and are thankful to have the opportunity to see so much of this wonderful country of ours.

We hope you are all well and appreciating this great country as we do. ☺

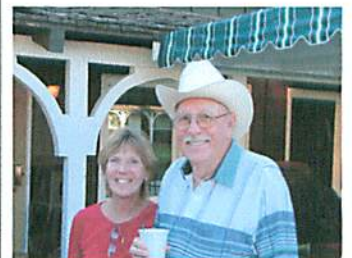


Jackson Hole Golfers



"Can you hear me now?"

Gary McEachern  
President, RMCC  
in a natural pose.



It was so nice to see Babe Humphrey again.

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Don Rau,  
Newsletter Editor

*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.*

*States included in the Rocky Mountain Country Coachers area are: Arizona, New Mexico, Colorado, Utah, Nevada, and Wyoming.*

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## FROM THE EDITOR

Well, thanks for the Farewell Card; it was so nice, BUT you aren't rid of me yet!

It was my fault for confusing the whole situation. Yvonne and I have actually moved our home here in AZ to a nice house in Sun City West. When we were planning the move we figured it was time to sell the Motorhome. WRONG! After I had passed that information on to Gary & Gail, we had second and third thoughts about doing such. The message didn't get properly passed on to the McEacherns in time for the Old Pueblo Rally. Sorry!

However, it turns out to be a pretty good thing in the long run because I now have a very talented Assistant Editor which will make my job even easier than before. So let me

take this opportunity to welcome Reggie Knight as my Assistant Editor. I look forward to working with her until our motorhome finally does die or move on to another home. As a matter of fact, Reggie is doing the majority of this edition of the RMCC Newsletter as a little OJT for the future.

We were sorry to not be able to get to the Old Pueblo Rally and the Rocky Point Rally in Mexico in February, but they took place at the same time we needed to be making our move to our new home. (Please note our new address above. We were able to keep our same phone number.) If you are in the area, please stop by for a visit.

We look forward to seeing you all at the Las Vegas Rally in

May. We are staying in AZ this year until June, so we plan to attend the Rally in Las Vegas in May.

My congratulations to all the new officers. I look forward to working with each of you in the coming months/years.

My personal thanks to Gary McEachern, our first Past-President and Founder, for doing such an incredibly fine job of bringing RMCC into existence and advancing it to where it is now — a thriving fun-filled RV club, filled with folks who truly enjoy getting together with each other. That is a job that not everyone could do. So, THANKS GARY FOR EVERYTHING you have done for RMCC. Our thanks also needs to go to Gail for all her work in the start-up phase of this club, too.

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