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THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

BY MIKE COCCI



Vice President, Rick Parks
And wife Marsha

Seventy-two prospective Elvis' arrived at the Silverton RV Resort intent on gaining stardom under the neon nightlife of Las Vegas. Suffice it to say only one of us made it onto the stage as part of any professional presentation. Gail McEachern's rendition of Chop Sticks, however, will need some work before she can look to hire an agent.

There were stories of others making their mark at one of the many tourist attractions, but as they say, "What happens in Las Vegas stays in Las Vegas."

The attractions of Las Vegas provided all of us with a variety of activities to keep us occupied. It seemed everyone had an agenda to visit a favorite landmark or casino. The new Wynn Casino was on the must see list and the rest of our time was well occupied with planned visits to the Liberace Museum, Sheri's Ranch Brothel, and "Forever Plaid" stage show at the Gold Coast Casino.

The local golf scene was tested, and, as usual, survived any attempt on our part to break par. What did break was our will to survive in the high winds that are a common occurrence in Vegas.

A short business meeting provided an opportunity for Ann Sanders to request material for the new RMCC scrapbook, Rod Woods introduced us to plans for the new RMCC web site, and the RMCC clothing committee of Ann Sanders



President Mike Cocci
And wife Mo

and Betty Woods showcased a selection of shirts, sweatshirts, vests and a hat with the RMCC logo. We already have a top notch Newsletter and with the addition of the web site and our own apparel we are sure to be the talk of the CCI community.

Of course the most important activity was the mixing and mingling of the RMCC members and guests during the week. Reggie Knight kicked things off with a unique poker game that brought everyone to the breakfast table each morning during the rally to get their playing card for that day. The breakfasts and Happy Hour receptions were the common ground for everyone to meet, plan, play games and discuss the day's activities. I know that I look forward to this specific rally activity because it allows for a sharing of ideas, trips, tech tips, family activities and general camaraderie in a very casual atmosphere. This is what a rally is all about.

A special thanks goes out to our Rally Hosts: Mel Sapp, Carol Lawrence, Bill and Dee

Cundy, Dave and Beverly Nelson, and John and Lonnie Stadheim. This team provided the platform for a fun filled week in Las Vegas. Every rally requires a lot of work and it is obvious that this team found a way to make it enjoyable for everyone.

I would also like to thank our sponsor, Beaudry RV, for their continued support.

A special thank you goes out to Mike and Carol Semple for joining us and providing the technical and maintenance support during the rally. We will look forward to getting Mike to join us at future events.

The rally hosts for our next event in Las Cruces, New Mexico, have begun laying out their plans for the event in October. Mark your calendars for October 20-24, 2005 and dig out your recipe books. Remember, a Chile cook off and Salsa contest are a part of the plans.

As our coaches began pulling out of the Silverton RV Park on Friday morning, I could only think of one thing to say... ELVIS HAS LEFT THE BUILDING! ☺



**PHOTO
GALLERY**



Reggie Knight,
Assistant Newsletter Editor
And Club Contest Director



Poker Champ,
Delores Merla



RMCC's new Historian/
Scrapbook Custodian,
Ann Sanders



Past-President,
Gary McEachern,
Showing off New RMCC vest

Las Vegas Rally—Poker Contest

By Reggie

Since we were in the Poker Capital of the world, we had a poker contest at our Las Vegas Rally, May 20 -24. On the first night of the rally, everyone was given the rules and one card. The other four cards were distributed daily at the Hospitality Site during the Breakfast Buffet. The "message" of the contest was "No Sniveling", but there were a few who couldn't refrain from complaining about the cards they picked daily.

The contestants were able to swap same day cards with

their significant others. The cards were color coded for each day to insure that swaps were legitimate, but some people just didn't comprehend the concept. Personally, I think they were trying to pull my chain.

During our last Happy Hour of this rally, everyone brought out their cards and the winner with four 6's was Dolores Merla. Her prize was a Las Vegas sparkly paper weight. Other owners of good hands received smaller sparkly pa-

per weights or decks of cards. No one who owns a Country Coach is a loser, but they do put a hole in our pockets at times, so everyone who was at Happy Hour Thursday evening received two nickels—to rub together. So everyone was a winner!

I apologize for not recognizing Charlie Granone as a winner with a Royal Straight. He will receive his prize at the Las Cruces Rally. ☺

CHILE FIESTA RALLY— LAS CRUCES

Ole! RMCC will be having a Chile Fiesta Rally in Las Cruces, NM at the Hacienda RV and Rally Resort on October 20—24, 2005. The hosts are Rick & Marsha Parks, Rod & Betty Woods and Ron & Susan Williams.

The rally will begin on Thurs-

day evening with a barbecue. The golfers will try to put the little balls in the little holes again on Friday. On that day will also be a Fashion Show and Margarita Party. The business meeting will be held on Saturday morning and chili and salsa contests will be held in the evening. A Farm Museum will be

visited on Sunday and we will dine at an excellent Mexican restaurant in old town La Mesilla.

It sounds like a grand time, again. Hope to see many of you there since we'll be winding down after our summer travels ☺

RMCC NEWS BRIEFS

BY Don Rau

- Ann Sanders, our new Scrapbook Custodian and Historian, needs our help. She is trying to put together material that will explain our history to those future RMCC folks who will be coming along in the next few decades. If you have anything that you think might help her in this effort, please put it in an envelope/box and send it to her with the understanding that it then becomes RMCC club property. Ann's address is:
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229 Rainbow Dr. #12984
Livingston, TX 77399
- Rod Woods is currently working on a new web site for the RMCC Club. He plans to have it up and running as soon as he gets the needed information from our various members. (Including me!) Thanks, Rod, for the great effort.
- Please remember to keep your club informed of any changes in your address or phone number. I had a couple of Newsletters returned because of a wrong address for our last issue. Please inform Gail McEachern ASAP so you don't miss any important information about future club events.
- Your Newsletter Editors are always looking for interesting and informative items to include in each issue of your Newsletter. We need travelogues, Tech Tips, what parks to visit and which ones not to visit, etc. Don't worry about the "correct wording." We can always fix it for you. (;>)
- Please have a very safe and exciting summer. Let us know what you did that kept you out of trouble, or whatever! ☺

Viva Las Vegas Rally Big Success

by Don Rau

If you weren't there, you missed a very well-planned and carried-out rally. Our hosts and co-hosts are to be complimented on the great job they did in putting on this rally. Our hosts were: Mel Sapp & Carol Lawrence, Dave & Bey Nelson, Bill & Dee Cundy, and John & Loni Stadheim.

Some of us got to the rally site a day ahead of time so as to be able to greet everyone as they arrived on Sunday, May 18th. The Silverton Casino and RV Resort Park was easy to find and roomy enough for each of us to get comfortable in our sites. We were located, for the most part, all together in one section of the park. The RV Park was across the street from the Casino portion of the Silverton complex, so it was within walking distance to get to restaurants and the bus slots. The Bass Pro Shop, which was also adjacent to the Casino, came in handy for our club meeting on Monday. The famous Las Vegas Strip was within easy driving distance, though heavy traffic made getting there a bit slow at times. Most everyone found time and means of getting there for a visit and to deposit some money in the stores, restaurants, slots, etc.

On "Check-in" Sunday things went very smoothly getting everyone into their site. By 4:30 the RMCC groupies were ready for their first Happy Hour at the Hospitality Site set up for such activity between 2 of our host's rigs. Everybody got into meeting and greeting old and new friends quickly, and the party was on. As a special treat, Margaritas were provided by our hosts, who brought along those drinks not used at the Rocky Point Rally. Happy hour was followed by a complete fried chicken dinner, with cole slaw, potato salad, rolls and plenty of good fellowship. Our

hosts said they got tired of pizza. Good change! And there was lots and lots of food. So much so we all took a plate home with us for late evening snacks or tomorrow's lunch. Our hosts continued a nice tradition at this first Happy Hour. The tradition was to give out door prizes at each of the evening Happy Hour's. (See the list of gifts elsewhere in this issue.)

As was true every morning, the sun shined down warmly on us and greeted us with another beautiful day. Monday was started with an enormous breakfast buffet at the Silverton Casino from 8:00 am to 10:30 am. If you went away hungry, shame on you. (It was well noted that the RMCCers do a lot of good eating!) Originally we were scheduled to have our general meeting at the Hospitality site, but the Bass Pro Shop stepped up and invited us to use a room in their facility for our meeting. Thanks Bass Pro Shop! This meant we didn't have to stop talking occasionally while airplanes departed from the Las Vegas Airport since their flight path was directly over our heads. Noisy little rascals aren't they? The meeting started with our newly elected officers presiding at 10:30 am and finished well before our scheduled stopping time of 12:00N. For details of the meeting see the Minutes attached to this issue of your Newsletter. The next item on our official agenda was Happy Hour at 4:30 pm. which was attended quite well as always. Chips and dips were provided, with your own drink completing the menu. Some Margarita that still survived Rocky Point were finished up today. Dinner was on our own.

Tuesday morning, coffee and goodies were served at the Hospitality site from 7:30 am to 8:30 am. with our talented

golfers leaving the park at about 9:00 to go lose their golf balls at the nearby Golf Course.

At 4:30 pm, we all assembled to caravan to the Gold Coast Casino in downtown Las Vegas. The dinner was in one of their 3 dining rooms which was quite pleasant. We had a choice of three different entrées from their menu and all seemed to enjoy their meal. After dinner we were ushered into the theater for an outstanding show called "Forever Plaid." This was a show put on by 6 guys with great music talent and lots of good clean humor. Our own, Gale Mc was called up on the stage at one point in the show to help the guys out a little with her piano playing and dancing skills. She was made an honorary "Forever Plaid" member. Good job, Gail. Also, Dorothy Pontsler was serenaded with a rather romantic song by one of the lead singers, who was duly threatened by husband Bill's cane, much to the singer's surprise. Way-to-go, Bill! We were all actually sorry to see the show come to an end, it was so good!

Wednesday was another very special day, starting off with our coffee and goodies in the morning at the Hospitality site. Shortly thereafter we got in our cars and caravanned to the World Famous "Sheri's Ranch Bordello" in nearby Pahrump. Yes, you read that correctly, we went to lunch and had a complete tour of a Bordello. This is a real first for the RMCC group, I must say. The tour was a fairly complete tour of this large, very clean and well-managed "specialized entertainment" facility. We saw the hall where the girls are selected, the special rooms with private spas, their well-equipped laundry facility, the girls' entertainment rooms, and some special cot-

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Our Sites were big and clean



The Hospitality Site



The chicken dinner was great!



Things can get a little testy at our meetings!

Photo Gallery

Viva Las Vegas Rally Big Success

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A friendly visit to the local Bordello!

tages for the more wealthy customers to rent for a few hours of bliss (?). The buildings and grounds were large and well maintained. Our cold cuts lunch was very nice and plentiful. When asked why they take people on tours of their facility, the lady tour director explained it was to help the public improve their idea of what a Bordello is like. One would have to say, it is not the dingy place you might imagine; it is a clean, safe place for such business to take place rather than on the streets of every city in the world. And those girls make some very good money\$. After

we finished our tours and lunch, we were free to leave or what- ever! Most, if not all of us, went back to the RV Park. Happy Hour that evening had some very interesting conversations going on. Dinner was on our own again.

Our final day, Thursday, started out with the usual coffee and goodies at the hospitality site for those willing to get up and get over there. Many of the attendees were scheduled to take an optional tour this morning of the Liberace Museum where they were also provided a fine lunch. Those that went

said it was very informative and the music was very good. Liberace was a true showman.

Our final Happy Hour was held this evening as usual. We mostly said our good-byes to our friends and fellow Rocky Mountain Country Coachers because tomorrow morning we would be heading out on the highway once again looking for new and different places to visit.

We left with a new appreciation for our RMCC club and for the folks who make rallies like this one possible. Thanks again to those who worked so hard to put on this fun rally. ☺

Get Ready for The Next Contest - A Chili and Salsa Contest

By Reggie



On Saturday evening of the Chile Fiesta Rally, we are going to have chili and salsa contests. Everyone is asked to participate and prepare their favorite recipes. The chili contestants should prepare about a crock pot amount. This can be done at home to give it time to age.

(Please keep it refrigerated so it doesn't turn green and hairy while aging.) The salsa contestants should prepare a medium to large bowl amount. There will be approximately 80 members at the rally and each member should get a taste of all entries. Salad and bread will be provided, but

you should bring your own bowl, spoon and antacid. ☺



RALLY HO!



Mark your calendar!

The following is a listing of rallies in which RMCC is involved. For another list of CCI Rallies look in the Destinations Magazine published by Country Coach, International.

2005

- July 11-15 Great North American Rally, Deschutes County Fairgrounds, Redmond, OR

- August 9-12 CCI Pre Rally to the FMCA Summer Convention at Red River Valley Fairgrounds, West Fargo, North Dakota
- August 15 - 18 FMCA International Convention at North Dakota State Fairgrounds, Minot, ND
- September 14-18 CCI 19th Annual Class Reunion, Lane County Fairgrounds, Eugene, OR

- October 20-24 RMCC *Chile Fiesta Rally*, Hacienda RV Resort, Las Cruces, NM

2006

- February/March TBD Pueblo Rally, Beaudry RV Tucson, AZ
- June TBD Durango, CO
- October, TBD Alamogordo, NM ☺

A Very Special Thanks

By the Viva Las Vegas Rally Hosts

Because there were several businesses that contributed in one way or another to the success of our Viva Los Vegas Rally, we thought it would be appropriate to list them for you and ask you to support them whenever you possibly can during

your travels.

The following companies have donated prizes:

- Bass Pro Shops
- Campfire In A Can
- Camping World
- RV Toy Store
- Seibt Desert Retreat

- Silverton Casino



WD-40 CURES ALL

By Whoever?

All you need is WD-40 and duct tape and all the repair problems you have can be solved.

WD-40 began as a research for a rust preventive solvent and degreaser to protect missile parts. WD-40 was created in 1953 by 3 technicians at the San Diego Rocket Chemical Company. The name comes from the project that was to find a "Water Displacement" compound. They were successful with the fortieth formulation, thus WD-40.

The Corvair Company bought it in bulk to protect Atlas missile parts. The workers were so pleased with the product, they began smuggling it out to use at home. The executives decided there might be a consumer market for it so they put it in aerosol cans.

The rest, as they say, is history!

It is a carefully guarded recipe known only to 4 people. Only one is the "brew master." There are about 2.5 million gallons of the stuff manufactured each year. It gets its distinctive smell from a fragrance that is added to the brew. Ken East (one of the original founders) says there is nothing in WD-40 that would hurt you.

Here are some uses for WD-40:

- Protects silver from tarnishing
- Cleans and lubricates guitar strings
- Gets oil spots off concrete driveways
- Gives floors that "just-waxed" sheen without making it slippery
- Keeps flies off cows
- Restores and cleans chalkboards
- Removes lipstick stains
- Loosens stubborn zippers
- Untangles jewelry chains
- Removes stains from stainless steel sinks
- Removes dirt and grime from the barbeque grill
- Keeps ceramic/terra cotta garden pots from oxidizing
- Removes tomato stains from clothes
- Keeps glass shower doors free of water spots
- Keeps scissors working freely
- Spraying an umbrella stem makes them easier to open and close
- Keeps rust from forming on tools
- Removes spattered grease on stove tops
- Keeps bathroom mirror from fogging
- Keeps pigeons off the balcony (they hate the smell)
- Removes all traces of duct tape
- Use it for fire ant bites. It takes the sting away immediately, and stops the itch.
- It is great for removing crayons from walls
- Removes black scuff marks from the kitchen floor
- Bug guts will eat away the finish on your car if not removed quickly. WD-40 does it!
- Florida's favorite use was "cleans and removes love bugs from car grill and bumpers"
- In New York WD-40 protects the Statue of Liberty from the elements
- If you spray WD-40 on your distributor cap, it will displace the moisture and allow the car to start easier (Now don't be askin' "What's a distributor cap?")
- And the list goes on and on.

WD-40 sure is up there with duct tape, don't you think? ☺



- *Now don't forget to spray the cows this afternoon!*
- *And don't forget that sticky zipper.*
- *How about that lipstick stain guys?*
- *WD-40 does it all!*

Las Cruces Rally Special Offer

WOW!

Check This Out!

Here's a special offer for those RMCCers going to the Las Cruces "Chile Fiesta" Rally next October 20 to 24, 2005! Please take note!

RMCC member Lyle Wetherholt, who has a financial interest in the Valley Diesel Company, has arranged for this shop to provide RMCC members the following services on their motorhomes:

- Oil change including oil and filters
- Chassis lube includes grease
- 2 fuel filters
- Coolant filter, specify type
- Belts inspection; belts

extra

- Air filter inspection, filter extra if required
- All for \$189 + tax

If you require coolant, it is extra—specify brand and type.

Genset service, including oil change and filter, is only \$72 more.

Each coach will require 2 to 3 hours for this service so an appointment is recommended. This service offer is valid 2 days prior to rally through 2 days after the rally.

A sign up sheet will be passed around at the rally and should specify a contact phone number, coach, engine, and preferred fil-

ters. If you prefer other than Delco Blue 15w/40 oil, you may bring your own or order another brand when making your appointment.

Certified mechanics will be on duty for any other work you need. Please specify when making your appointment.

Valley Diesel is located on the west side of Las Cruces (US 70, Picacho Avenue) I-10 at exit 135. Recommend exit 135 for either east or west bound. Valley Diesel is located on the south side of US 70 about 2 miles east of exit 135. Call Valley Diesel at 505-525-3998 for your appointment. ☺

NEW ROCKY MOUNTAIN COUNTRY COACH APPAREL

Take a look at this!

FLASH! RMCC has now gotten into the apparel business. Ann Sanders and Betty Woods introduced the new line of RMCC apparel at the Viva Las Vegas rally in May, 2005. They have been doing a lot of research into possible sources and what items to start with. It was clear they have done a good job for starters in selecting the items now available. To order, you will need an order blank which can be picked up at each rally from either Ann or Betty.

Items available include the following:

- Fleece vest (xs-4x) in dark green or royal blue for \$33.98
- Crew neck sweatshirt (s-



New RMCC Apparel

3x) in ash heather or green for \$23.98

- Sportec sweatshirt (xs-4x) in royal blue or ash heather for \$29.98
- Polo shirt (xs-4x) in sea foam green or royal blue for \$33.98
- Jerzee Tee shirt (s-3x) in deep purple, Calif. blue or royal blue for \$15.50

- Ball cap (Velcro cap) in stone for \$16.00.

All items except ball cap, are also available in red, black, or white.

Sales tax of 7.6% must be added to the total order. Our apparel sales ladies will deliver the ordered items to the purchasers at the next rally or they can be mailed for an additional cost. ☺



Hola todo el mundo—A Travelogue

By Tanna & bill Flomer

After last year's adventure of following the Lewis and Clark Trail, participating in its many celebrations and finally climbing the high forested bluffs of Cape Disappointment to witness the breathtaking vistas, we thought it can't get any better than this. Then we followed Father Benito's Mission Trail down the California coast and thought we had seen every spectacular site N. America had to offer.

We were wrong of course, as we found out in February when we followed in the footsteps of the Rockefellers and Carnegies. I'm referring to traveling the rails in our own private railroad coach. One slight difference ... we did it with CiCi (our motorhome), loaded aboard a 60 foot railroad flatcar.

Remember El Paso as painted by Marty Robbins in his 1960 hit "El Paso" and then zoom forward to modern times. El Paso is still the entryway to adventure and one of N. America's greatest natural wonders: Copper Canyon or Barranca del Cobre if you look for it on your atlas.

Our first stop, however, was in the heart of Pancho Villa country, alias Chihuahua. Villa has been characterized as both bandit and 20th century Robin Hood. The visit to his estate held a particular fascination for Tanna as she tried to imagine which room her grandfather Field won the magnificent diamond from Pancho in a poker game that she now wears. (Actually the game was probably in a local bar, but the house was more fun.)

Leaving Chihuahua for Cuauhtémoc, we thought we made a wrong turn, as the scenery was much like Western Pennsylvania. Names like Strasburg Platz, fertile fields and tidy houses all contributed to this confusion. It is in fact a large Mennonite community that settled here in 1922 at the invitation of the Mexican government. We snacked on Mennonite cheese and ended

the day at Loerwen RV Park with a German dinner.

Day 5 found us in the quaint village of La Junta—the beginning of our rail journey. After loading 20 assorted RV's onto flatcars in less than 3 hours, we were ready for a cool drink. There really is a Rosa's Cantina! The best Mexican food we had on the entire trip served by great grandmother to Rosy.

Much can be said about the train trip between La Junta and Los Mochis. However, I'll try to find words to do justice to both the scenery and the people. The Copper Canyon is something of a misnomer... it is really a series of six massive, interconnected gorges. Try to visualize a system of canyons four to six times larger than Grand Canyon in square miles and eclipsing the Grand Canyon by more than 1000 feet in depth. The RR tracks climb from sea level to more than 8000 feet, transverses 300 miles of track, 35 breathtaking bridges and 86 very dark tunnels. We traveled only about 20 MPH for about 3 hours each day so as not to miss any of the magnificent views, birds, wildlife, etc.

During 5 days of rail travel, we stopped early each day and toured the towns of Creel, Dirisadero, and Bahuichivo and areas accessible only by rail and very unspoiled. Nights were spent on a siding so as not to miss anything. All along the route the Tarahumara Indians would appear from their dwellings in the nearby caves. They are said to be the only pure indigenous tribe remaining and speak no Spanish and are very shy and reclusive. They are also known for their running prowess, covering as much as 200 miles without rest and doing it barefoot no-less.

Each town was a step back in time, especially Bachuichivo's mission. In spite of the remoteness, each evening was spent at a fine hotel erected by the Mexican government specifically for travelers on this rail system where we dined on some of the best Mexican cuisine anywhere.

Mazatlan was a bit of a let-down; it has grown immensely since we were there on our honeymoon 33 years ago, but the beaches are still beautiful.

A thousand miles long and separating the Mexican mainland from the Baja Peninsula, the Sea of Cortez and a 17 hour freighter ride presented some interesting challenges. Like backing a 40 foot RV down a ramp and onto an elevator. But after the tiny ferry last year, this was a piece of cake.

At Cabo San Lucas and Los Barriles, we fished, ate, shopped and made our first "trip" on an ATV. Look out "Hell's Angels!" Oh, have I mentioned the frequent margarita parties? More excellent shopping and eating at the artist colony of Todas Satos, where Tanna got a glimpse of how expats live well in Mexico while on house tour. Bill's favorite spot in this area was probably the Hotel California of the Eagle's fame.

We left Mexico March 16 via San Diego, CA, but our hearts were still south of the border. Countless memories remain; beautiful old mission churches, spectacular starry nights, unspoiled villages and lazy days on magnificent beaches. In just a few weeks we have made friends for life.

The only bandits we encountered were the villagers who couldn't do enough for their northern cousins. The only thing stolen was our hearts.



Mother's Day was not forgotten



The Silverton's Breakfast Buffet



Pre-Theater Dinner feast at the Gold Coast Casino



Betty in one of Sheri's "play rooms."

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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 motorbom- ing, 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 mem- bers at periodic meetings.

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

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FROM THE EDITOR

Things are looking real good for RMCC! We just finished another great rally in Las Vegas that can be put up there with the best of them. Our hosts went overboard with fun stuff as well as interesting items for us to enjoy on this rally. Thanks guys and gals for a great job.

From what I hear the next big event in Las Cruces ought to be yet another super time with lots of RMCC friends. Please make sure you mark your calendar for this one in Octo- ber. It's a long way off, but time flies when you're havin' fun! I know of several folks who are planning to enter the big chili-making contest, so come hungry. (Like we always

seem to do at RMCC rallies.)

It was good to see our very capable new officers taking care of their duties at the Las Vegas rally. We all wish them well during their tenure in office. And we promise to be nice to them, *don't we?*

If you have any inclina- tion/talent to be an officer in the club, please don't hesitate to let someone know. We need new ideas from new officers from time to time. As you may recall, there was some trouble getting people to volunteer for these jobs this time around. I know eve- ryone would be very disap- pointed if no one was willing to take those jobs and we had to close up shop. And we

don't want anyone to feel like they have to have the job for- ever. Please don't hesitate to volunteer. You'll be glad you did!

Also, Rally Masters are always in demand. It takes some work to put on a rally but when you take the Rally Master's job, I'll bet before you have a chance to turn around someone will come up to you and volunteer to help. If you know of a great place to hold a rally, please step up and volunteer to take the lead. Help will be on the way.

Have yourselves a great sum- mer and drive carefully!

See you in September in Eugene, OR for the Class Reun- ion, and again in Las Cruces, NM in October. ☺