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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

So far Paulette and I have had an exciting and busy 2019. We started the beginning of March with the club's first destination rally, **See More Do More**, in Tallahassee, Florida. Although it was not as well attended as we had hoped with only 30 coaches, Mike Sanders and Sharon Riley did a great job and all who attended had a wonderful time socializing and seeing the sights in North Florida and South Georgia. From there we got to go to our first FMCA convention leading the caravan from Tallahassee to Perry, Georgia. Highlights at the FMCA convention included the Chapter Fair and Block Party. Both of which we considered very successful and resulted in 3 new members signing up. The Block Party was well attended with approximately 50 members and potential members joining us for light refreshments.

We were able to return home for a little over a week before hitting the road again for Las Vegas and the **Hit the Jackpot Rally** in Las Vegas, Nevada where Jim and Melva Crimmins did a fantastic job with great entertainment, good food and interesting seminars. We had a total of 86 coaches attending this rally which, with the 30 coaches attending the destination rally in Tallahassee, brought our total attendance for our spring rallies to 116. This number exceeds the attendance we had accomplished in recent years and suggests that the decision to have two events was a positive move for our members.

In Las Vegas the new board was elected (*see the listing left side of this page*) but we still really need someone to step up to the plate for the position of 2nd Vice President. After the new board was seated, the club expressed their deep appreciation for the many years' dedication to Monaco International of Les and Wilma Jean Alexander by making them lifetime members. This is only the second time in the history of the club this honor has been bestowed and all felt these two had earned the distinction by their continued hard work and support of the organization.

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The board also voted to move our annual business meeting from the spring to coincide with the summer FMCA convention so this board will serve until the summer pre-rally in 2020. Thank goodness FMCA appears to have decided to move that 2020 event to Syracuse, New York as three years running in the Midwest would have been a real problem with attendance for our pre-rally event.

Along this same line the board also voted continue with multiple events in the spring as we had this year. This allows members from both east, west and middle America to choose an event close to their winter location without traveling cross country. This means we need a volunteer for a destination rally or a "rally within a rally" to coincide with the FMCA convention in Tucson, Arizona. We will also need a volunteer for a destination rally in the east. We have been investigating locations like Savannah, Georgia and hope to hold it in the early April timeframe to accommodate members who have paid for their winter sites through March.

Another issue that came to light and had to quickly be resolved in Las Vegas was the retirement of Brenda Reagh, our only paid contractor. She had requested to leave immediately following the spring rally but agreed to stay on an extra couple of months to facilitate a transition from paid staff to volunteers assuming her responsibilities. My wife, Paulette, agreed to do the database functions as well as the assistant to the web manager with the provision that we find someone to take over the newsletter so we're looking for someone who will volunteer for that job. A new mailbox was established resulting in all mail being routed to the Treasurer, Dick Wolfe. Membership support functions which includes ordering badges and placards for new members and contacting RV Country new owners will be assumed by the Membership VP, Lois Tucker. This transition has absorbed quite a bit of time but is going smoothly.

During the transition we discovered that we had been mailing out membership cards which most members we polled were unaware of and had not been using. We found that we had the capability via our website to provide electronic membership cards and the board voted to take advantage of this capability and discontinue mailing physical cards. These new electronic cards are accessible after logging into the website via the View Profile link. They can either be printed or saved to your smart phone. *(See full details page 16)*

We have two more rallies this year that we are looking forward to. There are still 50AMP sites available for North by Northwest in Rapid City, South Dakota. We have been disappointed in the number of registrants for this event so we urge everyone not registered to consider doing so for what will be a fun filled event before the extended registration date of August 1. We're also happy to announce there will be AquaHot service available at the rally and Lloyd DeGerald reports he is ready to go. Please, join us for this pre-rally in the beautiful Black Hills. Go online to www.mirvclub.com to register.

The Balloon Fiesta will be our final rally for 2019 and we look forward to seeing those who were lucky enough to beat the cut off at 80 coaches. This will be our 4th consecutive Balloon Fiesta and we're anticipating another great time at this premiere event hosted again by Harry and Sandi Hentschel assisted by Roger and Carol Smalley.

Finally, I want to take this opportunity to express our greatest thanks to Curt Curtis and RV Country for their continued support of our club and our rallies. Not only does the support provided for our rallies make them more valuable to our attendees but paying for the first year of membership in our club for those buying qualifying coaches from RV Country helps increase our membership. I urge our members to show their appreciation by patronizing this consistently loyal supporter of Monaco International.

Hope to see you down the road!

Your President

John P. Jones

SAVE THE DATE!! SAVE THE DATE!!

Rally within a Rally! January 5th to January 12th, 2020. The Monaco Romers would like to invite all Monaco International members to attend the Western Area FMCA Rally with us. The Western Area Rally includes 4 nights of entertainment along with Ice Cream Socials plus free coffee and donuts each morning of the Rally. Some 100+ Vendors and Suppliers will be on site and available to supply service along with a wide assortment of RV's for sale.

By joining the Romers, you will park together with us as early arrivals and not have to move during the Rally. We will set-up a Party Area for our Famous Romers Bar and catered dinners! Further information and Registration Forms will be posted on the Monaco International web site this summer.

Make your plans now and Save the Date!!

Monaco "North by Northwest" Rally

LADIES LUNCHEON

FEATURING A SPECIAL GUEST



Thursday, 8/8/19 . . . 12 noon . . . Dining Hall . . . \$25

*Frank Night Pipe from the Prairie Edge Trading Company & Galleries
will do a presentation on the mystique of the Plains Indian culture.*

Ladies who have signed up for the Ladies' Luncheon are in for a special treat. If you didn't sign up for the ladies' luncheon already when you registered for the North by Northwest Rally, consider adding this event to your schedule.

**Also, registration deadline for the North by Northwest event has been extended
to August 1 (see the registration form below)**

North By Northwest



**Rapid City, SD
August 6-10, 2019**

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FirstName _____

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Please add me to your e-mail/newsletter mailings FMCA # ____

Monaco Coach Year/Model _____ Coach# _____

Handicapped? Yes No (Must have state-issued handicapped placard)

Would you like to be a volunteer? Yes No Interest _____

First Timer? Yes No

COST	FEE	AMOUNT
Coach & Driver	330.00	
2nd Person and Each Additional Person (age 12 & over) add	150.00	
Non Monaco International Member (per coach) add	100.00	
Each Child (under 12) add	100.00	
Ladies Luncheon	25.00 per person	
Early Parking prior to 8/6/19	40.00 per night	
Monaco International Members who reserve and pay before June 1, 2019, may deduct \$50 from the fee.		-\$50.00
*Must be postmarked no later than 6/01/19. TOTAL REMITTANCE		

Confirmation Package (circle one) e-MAIL HOLD

REGISTRATION DEADLINE EXTENDED: August 1, 2019

Packet will be held at the gate for those without e-mail access or any applications received after July 1, 2019.

Attending FMCA Rally in Minot, ND (circle one) YES NO

**Cancellation requests must be received
by July 1, 2019, for refund.**

2019 Balloon Festival
October 9-12
(departing on 13th after morning events)



The Rally, scheduled for October 9th - 13th, is currently **FILLED**. Reservations for the maximum number of 80 spaces were reached on April 15th and, as of June 1st, there are 18 on the Wait List. In prior MI Newsletters, we tried to encourage members not to procrastinate.

You can still get on the Wait List, but it is not too early to start planning for 2020.

**MONACO INTERNATIONAL
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MEETING
Las Vegas, NV, April 11, 2019, 1:00 p.m.**

President Wilma Jean Alexander called the meeting to order at 1:08 p.m. in the Holiday Theater of the Oasis RV Resort.

Officers and Regional Directors did self-introductions. Officers present were President Wilma Jean Alexander, First VP John Jones, VP Membership Lois Tucker, Secretary Carolyn Banks, Treasurer Dick Wolfe, National Director Harry Hentschel. Regional Directors present were Roy Holt (Reg 2), Bob White (Reg 2), Bob Tucker (Reg 6).

The minutes from the Gillette, WY, Pre-Rally in July 2018 were approved as published in the Board Meeting book and will be published on the MI website. There were no corrections or additions.

Officer Reports

First Vice President John Jones reported that, as requested in Gillette, he was working with the 419 Club to share member data information. Their president did not get back with him until a week before the spring rally, so details still need to be worked on. He said their club is concerned that privacy still be maintained with this data sharing.

John invited all to attend the South Dakota Pre-Rally in August. He is working on entertainment, including a Sioux dance group that demonstrates and gives lessons to us on the dances.

Vice President Membership Lois Tucker said that 100 people joined the club in the last month. Some of those attending this rally are non-members in a different brand of coach, and one has come in hope of buying a Monaco coach.

We started with 15 first-timers at this rally, but many others had not marked as first-timers, but had only attended the Balloon Fiesta Rally, so they really are first-timers to us. Her final count is 34 first-timers. Lois is looking for a way to clarify the registration form to give us an accurate signup. Wilma Jean suggested perhaps asking on the form if they have ever attended a Monaco rally where they were assigned a mentor. She said to pass any ideas for this to Lois.

Treasurer Dick Wolfe said that as of December 31, 2018, the club's assets were approximately \$254,212, down from \$329,507 in 2017. This reduction was primarily the result of the investment the club makes in the rallies. He also thinks that some assets were counted twice because of the way we list our assets in rally accounts and MI accounts. The combined contribution to the winter, summer, and Balloon Fiesta rallies was about \$52,030. Of that, the Balloon Fiesta will return the almost \$16,000 advance they require to reserve for the following year.

The Corporate filing was done in the state of Washington. He also changed the registered agent (which is for mail collection only), changing our cost from \$330 to \$98 for the same function, and filed the club's income tax.

John Jones asked a question about how rally contributions were treated on the books. Dick said it is reported as income to the rally. He just summarizes rally checks as expense and income as income for our purposes. A little more discussion ensued about the balance sheet and how rallies are summarized.

Wilma Jean noted that the Treasurer's Report will be filed for audit.

National Director Harry Hentschel said he would highlight the items in his report that is included in the Board Meeting Book. This is an election year for FMCA. There are three candidates for Senior VP, three candidates for Secretary, and only one candidate for Treasurer. He asked for comments from MI members about any of the candidates.

There is still no firm location for the summer 2020 convention. Some communities are courting FMCA, which has the goal not to lose money, and that affects a choice of location. They also want to keep the summer convention in the middle of the U.S.

FMCA has been losing members up until the last 3 years. They hope to have 80,000 by next year. One possibility is to take in some Good Sam chapters, since Good Sam no longer provides any support to their chapters.

Bob Tucker asked if Harry knew the top two or three locations being considered, and Harry does not. Rock Springs, WY, has totally fallen through, since they asked for a 3-year commitment. We will still go back to some locations occasionally, but not too often. Syracuse, NY, fits all criteria except for being on the East coast. Mitch Mitchell asked if St. Paul, MN, was still being considered. Harry suspects price was the reason it isn't considered now. Mitch also asked how much money FMCA has in the bank. Harry would have to get back to him.

Bob White brought up the question of allowing towables, which our club might need to consider. Harry says only 30 towables were in Perry, but 4100 have joined FMCA.

President Wilma Jean Alexander said that her report in the Board Meeting Book was really directed to the General Meeting audience, so she would summarize what she's done this year for us. She spent lot of time with Brenda Reagh about her job duties, since Brenda has now resigned but agreed to stay on until we find a replacement. She also worked with Jim Crimmins on the Las Vegas Rally and on the Task Force activities. It's been a busy year, with many questions. Name change inputs were forwarded to Jim's Task Force committee, but Wilma Jean said she had about as many comments against changing the name as for it.

New Business

Executive Board Meeting minutes were included in the Board Meeting Book. There were 3 items presented for discussion:

- (1) Stop using PayPal for credit card processing on the MI website and use our website provider (Wild Apricot) to process credit cards or continue using PayPal and pay an additional 20% (about \$650 over 2 years) to Wild Apricot for the privilege. Their transaction fee would be the same as we paid PayPal. And you can still use any credit card you want to use. John Jones moved that, at the time of the contract in 2020, we move to Wild Apricot for credit card processing instead of PayPal. Motion was seconded. Discussion was about whether there was an advantage to making the change now versus waiting until the end of the current contract. It was decided that there was no problem with waiting. **Motion Passed.**
- (2) Resignation of Brenda Reagh as MI contract employee: We have asked her to put together a review of her activities for us, contact list, etc.; we would then use volunteers to do that job. Lois Tucker has agreed to assume parts of the responsibility, Dick Wolfe will accept the checks, and Paulette Jones will handle the database. It may change later, but with fewer members coming in, we believe we can have volunteers do it now. Brenda's salary was \$9000/year, not counting the expenses involved with the job. For a while we were bringing her to the rallies (a cost of up to \$2000). The membership will have Lois as their contact, so the change should be transparent. Dick mentioned that we do need to change addresses and phone number contacts. Lois has a barn where we can store the files Brenda was keeping in a storage facility. Details still need to be worked out. John Jones moved that the contract employee's position be changed from a paid employee to a volunteer. Motion was seconded. **Motion passed.**
- (3) Insurance: We have confirmation now from FMCA and the insurance company that our volunteers are covered by the FMCA chapter liability policy, as we thought was the case in the past. Wilma Jean summarized for the full Board what the original question was, which stemmed from an accident at the Tallahassee Rally. We were concerned that we might need to buy our own liability policy.

The Executive Board also briefly discussed term limits, since we have such difficulty finding people to run for office. Wilma Jean recommended that the Board address this in the next term.

Nominating Committee – Nancy Wolfe: Although we are in pretty good shape for what we have, she had many people just flatly refuse to run for office. At this point, we still need someone to run for 2nd VP, 1 person for Region 1, and 1 person for Region 2; we lost a candidate for Region 5 today. She also anticipates that Verda DeGerald, who was reluctantly running for Region 3 in Lloyd's place, might withdraw since Lloyd is having health issues. So we would need 1 director in each of 4 regions. She did have Norma Preston step up for Alt. National Director, to be nominated from the floor.

Nancy asked all Board members to try to come up with suggestions. Wilma Jean thanked her for the committee's work. Nancy said that the major obstacle she faced was that people don't want to travel cross-country. Wilma Jean said John Jones had suggested that we might just have one officer present at a rally, not requiring all the Board to attend. Nancy had told people she asked to run that the General Membership Meeting was the one rally they really needed to attend.

Carolyn Banks brought up that the suggestion had been made that we reduce to one RD per region. Nancy said when that was discussed in Syracuse, the then VP Membership, Norma Preston, insisted that we needed two.

John Jones said the spring rally is the most difficult to have attended, and favors changing the election to the summer rally instead. More discussion involved changing to Destination Rally sometimes, rather than Pre-Rally for FMCA. Bob Tucker asked about decreasing the number of regions, having 1 director per region and 2 at-large directors to help when needed. Wilma Jean said that is part of the Task Force's study.

We discussed the health of 2nd VP Dale Johnson. John Jones said Dale doesn't know yet, but if he can be cared for with medication, he does want to run.

Tallahassee Rally report was postponed until General Business Meeting because Jan Couch was unable to attend today. Her report is included in the Board Meeting Book, however.

Las Vegas Rally – Jim Crimmins and Bob White reported that we have 85 coaches in attendance, with 2 more that may still come in. We also had 3 couples and Wilma Jean who came without their coaches. As far as the rally activities, Jim believes the alcohol situation seemed to be a problem with our having to use the Oasis Resort's staff for the bar. He still plans to have the Wine Tasting today at a site, even though the winemaker couldn't be here. Jim, Harry Hentschel, and Mitch Mitchell will conduct it. Jim expects us to break even on this rally, or possibly lose a small amount. Wilma Jean said that the west coast people have really gotten behind this rally. Bob White said the vast majority of the coaches are from California, with some from Washington, Oregon, and Arizona. He commended the people from the east coast who made the trip, and especially those who flew out just to be here. Daily newsletter was appreciated, too.

Balloon Fiesta Rally – Harry Hentschel reported highlights of his report in the book. We again have 80 spaces, and we'll be going in on October 9th and leaving on October 13th [*Secretary's Note: Harry's written report has the correct leave date of October 14th.*] Some changes have been made to ensure the rally breaks even and just to add something or do something different to enhance the rally. Other clubs have been limited to 55 spaces, and Harry and Sandy work all year to cultivate our club's relationship with AIBF and others to protect our 80 spaces. As of yesterday, we have 67 signed up, with 2 who say they plan to. We have 10 nonmembers who have an MI sponsor, so we believe that Monday (when we open up to nonmembers), we should be filled. We always expect a few cancellations, but this is the earliest we have filled our spaces. He also stated that Roger and Carol Smalley have signed on as co-hosts for this rally to replace the Pitts, who had to quit because of ill health and age. Even though De was unable to attend last year, she sent her son and daughter-in-law to help. Wilma Jean asked Carolyn to send them a letter of thank you from the Board and MI for their 8 years of service.

Task Force – Jim Crimmins reported that his group is made up of 9 members from the club (6 of whom are at this Board meeting) discussing certain topics. He said that their first discussion item was the need for a newsletter. Paulette Jones agreed to take on that task. The second topic involved rallies: where they should be held, if they should be held, and how do we have rallies on the east and west coasts and still have continuity. He said some items he needed for this rally were still on the east coast. The last topic was duties and use of the Regional Directors; should we have 2 or 1 per region; how many regions should we have. The majority of the task force favors changing our regions to have same geographical properties as FMCA areas. This would give RDs the chance to reach out to Area VPs to set up rally-within-a-rally at an Area Rally, for example, where we don't have to worry about vendors, entertainment, or food. We could have the same type rally as we had in Tallahassee by piggybacking on the Area Rallies.

Wilma Jean put all the Task Force comments together in a letter that she wrote back to the Task Force Committee, who agreed with her comments. She read her Proposed Planning Guide To Rallies into the record at the Board Meeting. She emphasized that she tried to be as specific as she could so planners would know what was intended. Jim Crimmins expressed his appreciation to her for the letter. He said that they don't want members to think this is set in stone. If we want to have more rallies and we have the people to put them on, we will have more active people to grow the club. In addition, Monacos in Motion is planning two rallies for next year. One is in conjunction with the Balloon Fiesta Rally and will be discussed at their luncheon tomorrow. It is a tour through California wine country that Mitch Mitchell is going to lead (Mitch didn't know that yet).

These ideas are being proposed to the Board because the more activity we can have in the club, away from just two rallies per year, we can grow our club again. Wilma Jean said she had talked with members of Monaco Romers who are at our rally. They have a rally-within-a-rally at Indio, and she asked them if we could advertise it to our club and be a part of it, rather than setting up a separate rally. They are all MI members anyway. She is meeting with Susan from the Romers at breakfast in the morning and will have something to present later as something we are going to try. They already have 26 coaches, and if we get too much participation, they might find it too hard to do. Harry and Sandy Hentschel were part of their rally last year and picked up a few coaches for Balloon Fiesta. He also reminded us that we have a seminar on seven upcoming rallies. One is the SOI Rose Parade Rally, led by an MI member, Paul Mitchell. Paul said he would try to park all MI members together who sign up for that rally. Another possibility is the INTO Rally, whose VP is George Schremp, an MI member. These won't take a lot of work on our part.

Nancy Wolfe brought up the possibility of including all brands in our club to increase membership. She said that, after the Monaco Travelers became Monaco Travelers and Friends, their membership increased to almost 60 coaches. Wilma Jean said that's another question for the membership to address. We have opened up to REV Group coaches. And back when we had a "snob" reputation for not allowing anything but Monaco diesels, MI helped create Monaco America for gas coaches. At the time, MI had too many members anyway, and an increase in members would reduce the locations we could have a rally.

Carolyn asked why it is so easy to have a rally within an FMCA Area Rally and so hard to have one at the FMCA Convention. Wilma Jean said it was because we were so large and had to have a building for vendors and food and took up the best parking places. These days, we would probably have no more than 30 coaches from MI, and we would be coming in at the same dates as the Area Rally. Mitch Mitchell also mentioned that negotiations were very hard with the FMCA coordinator. They wanted to charge us for all the parking, rather than just what we were using. The current coordinator told Wilma Jean that they wouldn't be able to give us the break they gave us in Gillette again. John Jones talked about the success of the Chapter Fair and Block Parties at the Perry Convention, with FMCA kicking in \$75 to help each chapter with food and signage.

Bob Tucker went back to the discussion of duties for Regional Directors – getting involved in planning rallies. He said we already have problems finding RDs. Carolyn added that the RD's current job is contacting new members and welcoming them to the club. Asking them to take on rally planning may be too much. Mitch said RDs should be responsible for their regions, and we need to find candidates who can do all these things. Harry again emphasized that these ideas are not set in stone. John also stated that these committee ideas are just suggestions. And the RDs would not have to have a rally every year in every region.

John also asked Wilma Jean to remove the 419 Club as a formally suggested rally-within-a-rally idea, since he has had negative feedback for that idea in the past. Wilma Jean said that those who have attended the 419 Maintenance Sessions always encourage other MI members to participate to help replace having Monaco Coach Corporation to provide that advice. She said she would take that reference out when she decides to bring it up in the General Business Meeting.

Nancy reminded us that she had brought Monaco Travelers members in as co-hosts of the Moultrie Pre-Rally. That would seem to be a good idea for future rallies. Wilma Jean said it does take members being active. No one person can do it. For example, the Rocky Mountain Chapter could have been brought in to help with the South Dakota rally. Wilma Jean said that we hope some of these ideas can be put into motions at some time in the future.

Member recruitment is always important, and Wilma Jean said she hopes John will follow through with a committee to work on it. She referred to putting brochures in businesses to get the notice of Monaco owners who aren't members. She would also like to have our membership application attached to the business's sign out paperwork. If they did that, we could give them a quarter-page or eighth-page ad in our newsletter. If they just provide the brochures in their business, the ad would be smaller. In regard to RV Country, she said we really need to do something for them – perhaps a full-page ad in the newsletter. Wilma Jean asked Carolyn Banks to write a letter of appreciation to Curt Curtis at RV Country, and we can have our members sign the letter at the General Business Meeting on Saturday. She recommended that a membership recruitment committee be put together by the new president. Jim said that Bob, Harry, and Mitch had all had successful recruitment happy hours at campgrounds where they stayed. Wilma Jean said that these activities don't cost money (BYOB and a snack to share).

The potential name change suggestions were sent to Jim Crimmins for review. He looked at them but did not pursue them. Wilma Jean said she would just say that there is further discussion necessary before we consider changing our club's name. A discussion ensued about where we are going as a club regarding what coaches can join: all products, class A only, class A and class C, all motorized, towables, etc. Carolyn read the current wording in the Bylaws. The Task Force was not considering the possibility at this time of opening up to *all* types. Even including all REV Group brands had received some pushback. And Mitch said he had just learned that REV will not send parts to anyone but a REV Group Service Center. Wilma Jean thought you actually had to have bought a coach from REV to get parts, but John said you can order parts from them and have them shipped to your address. He also said the Tallahassee Rally did a straw vote on changing the name, and only two people were in favor.

Old Business

Lois Tucker brought up that a first-timer couple actually left because no one was paying attention to them. She found out when she sent an email to them saying she hadn't seen them, and they told her they had left. She emphasized that we need to make an effort to visit with new members. And Wilma Jean said that this rally had to move some activities indoors, which changed how everything was handled and created confusion.

Correction: Lois said she thought we really need to do more to make first-timers feel welcome. She believes this couple (two females) felt as if no one was paying attention to them, so they left. Lois found out when she called to say she hadn't seen them and to remind them of the taco lunch. They told her they had left because they had other things they had to get to.

Lois also asked about donating her outdated (2011) club computer to a charity. She uses her personal computer, and Dale Johnson told her to dump the club computer. Wilma Jean took a voice vote, and it was unanimous in favor of Lois donating the computer to a charity, with the provision that the computer be erased (military dump).

Meeting was adjourned at 2:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Carolyn Banks
MI Secretary

MONACO INTERNATIONAL GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING Las Vegas, NV, April 13, 2019, 1:30 p.m.

President Wilma Jean Alexander called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. in the Oasis Ballroom of the Oasis RV Resort. She offered a prayer of invocation.

Officers did self-introductions. Officers present were President Wilma Jean Alexander, First VP John Jones, VP Membership Lois Tucker, Secretary Carolyn Banks, Treasurer Dick Wolfe, and National Director Harry Hentschel. Wilma Jean told the gathering that 2nd VP Dale Johnson is absent because of illness (his own and his family's). She introduced the Regional Directors present at the Rally: Roy Holt (Reg 2), Bob White (Reg 2), and Bob Tucker (Reg 6) and the Past Presidents: Wilma Jean Alexander, Wilt Greenwood, and Mitch Mitchell.

Wilma Jean thanked Roy and Jackie Holt for providing and handling the sound equipment for this rally. She noted that, for past rallies, sound has cost as much as \$5,000. She also thanked Bob and Jane White for serving again as rally registrars, which they've volunteered for over the years back to when we had many more participants, and Mitch Mitchell for cooking dinner for the Volunteer Committee members.

The General Business Meeting minutes from the Gillette, WY, Pre-Rally in July 2018 were approved as published in the Board Meeting book and will be published on the MI website. There were no corrections or additions.

Officer Reports

First Vice President John Jones invited all to attend the Rapid City, SD, Pre-Rally in August. He expressed his appreciation to all attending this rally in Las Vegas, saying that we have impacted many people with the two rallies we've had this year (about 125 coaches), so having rallies on both coasts seems to work, and that is our goal.

Vice President Membership Lois Tucker said that, on December 31, 2018, we had 994 members. As of today, we have 1,035. In addition to the 41 new members, however, we had 20 archived or lapsed members. All the Regional Directors are working hard to add new members. She thanked the members who served as mentors for the first timers. We have 34 first timers at this rally, but that number was double what it was 2 weeks earlier. Three first timers had to cancel before the rally. Wilma Jean offered her thanks to Lois and the mentoring program. She explained it was started in 2004-05 when Wilma Jean was President and Lady Dell Martin was VP Membership. Lois and the other previous VP Memberships Norma Preston and Melva Crimmins have done a good job with the program.

Treasurer Dick Wolfe offered his thanks to Bob Tucker, Harry Hentschel, John Jones, and Wilt Greenwood for doing audits of the books for the club rallies and the club treasury. The reports will be turned in to the Secretary. All the books were found to be in order. As of December 31, 2018, the club's assets were approximately \$274,212.68, with the only liabilities being bills not yet paid on this rally, giving us roughly \$254,000 in the treasury. Last year, the club contributed \$52,030 toward the rallies, which helps keep member costs down. He noted that the income taxes have been filed for the year. He said he would be happy to answer questions later and added that the assets we recorded are cash and CDs or bonds that we hold.

Wilma Jean thanked Dick for volunteering to assume the Treasurer's job when our last treasurer resigned. She discussed why there have been financial changes related to rallies. In 2004-05, she negotiated with Monaco Coach Corporation to pay us \$25 for every coach they produced – not just the ones whose owners joined the club. Before Monaco went out of business, our treasury was nearly \$1,000,000. Since then (2009), it has declined to \$250,000. If we continue to have two pre- or post-rallies a year, our treasury would soon be depleted. If we want to continue to operate, we need to take a serious look at how we finance our rallies. For example, the destination rally in Tallahassee did not have the cost of vendors, facilities, entertainment, or caterers. We will try to have more rallies like this that are self-sufficient. The Branson Rally and the Balloon Fiesta Rally have always had the goal to break even. These event rallies have not taken money from our treasury.

Wilma Jean also said that Monaco Coach previously gave us so many dollars per coach for all the coaches they brought in for demo. And vendors paid \$250-\$300 each for a booth. Today, with fewer than 100 coaches in attendance, it's almost impossible to get vendors. The club needs to understand that we can no longer operate as in the past and may not return to that level any time in the future. We must start taking a critical look at the treasury to ensure we are here for future members.

Wilma Jean also discussed how the club previously had dealers fighting over which ones came to our rallies, because they usually sold to 10% of the attendees (e.g., 800 attending coaches, 80 new coaches sold). Now there is only one dealer, RV Country, that we can rely on to come to our rallies. She announced that we have prepared a letter of appreciation to Curt Curtis and RV Country. After the Board signs it, she will pass it around so all in attendance who want to can sign it to be sent to them.

National Director Harry Hentschel said he would address three areas in his report: upcoming conventions, membership, and financial strength. FMCA will hold its 100th convention this summer in Minot, ND, Aug 14-18. This convention will have election of officers for FMCA. There are three candidates for Senior VP (Rett Porter, Jack Mayberry, and Percy Bell), three candidates for Secretary (Kathie Balogh, Ken Carpenter, and Connie Jones), and only one candidate for Treasurer (John Reynolds). Harry asked for comments from MI members about any of the candidates. For the National Directors and Club Presidents, the Governing Board meeting is scheduled for Aug 14 and the Annual Membership meeting is on Aug 17.

Upcoming Conventions: winter-spring 2020, Tucson, AZ, Mar 26-29. The FMCA staff and convention committee are working aggressively on a location for the summer 2020 convention. They want to keep the summer convention in the middle of the U.S. to allow both east and west coast members to attend. Other pending convention locations (waiting for completion of contract negotiations) are winter 2021 in Perry, GA; summer 2021 in Gillette, WY; winter 2022 in Tucson,

AZ; summer 2022 still TBD; winter 2023 back to Perry, GA; summer 2023 in Sedalia, MO, or Gillette, WY; and 2024 will possibly be back to the northeast in Syracuse, NY. All these locations are still tentative except for Tucson in 2020.

Membership: FMCA has had declining membership since about 2009, but 33 of the last 35 months have shown an increase. As of late March, membership was 78,636. Over 4,100 towables have joined since membership opened to all self-contained vehicles 16 months ago.

Financial Strength: With a balanced budget this year, the financial committee and auditors anticipate that, by September when FMCA's financial year ends, the organization will show its first positive balance sheet in 15 years. In relation to conventions, the reason they are still working on the summer 2020 convention is that the Executive Board is focused on keeping a positive balance sheet instead of robbing from reserves. Finding a place where we will not lose money and that is convenient is a challenge. Perry in March 2019 had almost 2,300 family members registered, and 38% were first timers. Attendance was down from Perry in March 2018 but was up over July 2018 in Gillette. Location does make a difference, but they are really focusing on not pulling money from reserves. For example, FMCAssist is now a line item on the budget instead of funded from reserves, and (he noted), rates have gone down because members are staying healthy.

President Wilma Jean Alexander said that she would postpone her President's Report as such, since she will be interjecting items from her report that relate to our Old Business items as we go along today.

Old Business

Board Meeting Report:

- (1) Resignation of Brenda Reagh as MI's only paid contract employee: Brenda has chosen to resign but has agreed to stay on until we come up with a solution. The Board recommended that this job revert to a volunteer position. Wilma Jean commented on how Brenda's position came to be: As the club began to receive up to 500 members in a 6-month period, it became too much for a volunteer to handle. Monaco Coach took over the job until they went out of business in 2009. Brenda was their employee who did that job, so the club hired her. The job has cost the club an average of \$9000/year, not counting the expenses involved with the job for printing, shipping, etc. With fewer members coming in now, the Board decided to try to use volunteers to do that job. At this point, we hope it will be a combination of volunteers: the treasurer (Dick Wolfe) will accept the money, Paulette Jones will handle the database, and Lois Tucker will handle the actual new members as they come in as far as being their contact, as she has been in the past.
- (2) Financial Options Available on the Website: The Board agreed to go with Wild Apricot, which is our current website provider, to handle credit card payments instead of using PayPal for that part of financial transactions. Wild Apricot had notified us that, at the time of contract renewal in 2020, Wild Apricot would charge us in excess of \$600 for the 2-year period if we continued to use PayPal, rather than allowing Wild Apricot to process our credit transactions. Members will no longer see PayPal as an option on financial transactions; they will just see credit card or check.

Rally Reports:

See More, Do More Tallahassee Rally: Wilma Jean expressed appreciation to Mike Sanders and Sharron Riley (Rallymasters), as well as Jan Couch and Paulette Jones, who served as Treasurer and Registrar respectively for that event. Jan gave the report, saying this first Monaco destination rally was held in Tallahassee at the Fairgrounds, a nice facility with a helpful staff. We had pot lucks, happy hours with our own "happy," pizza, ice cream social. We drove to Colquitt, GA, for a really great play put on by local people. The rally had 25 coaches "more or less" since the number changed a few times. It was nice to be able to visit with everybody, and we all worked together for setup, cleanup, and decorating. It was great.

Wilma Jean added background to how this rally came to be: We didn't want to have the expense of another Pre-Rally to Perry, GA, so we completely broke ranks to do this rally. FMCA had scheduled their convention to be in Chandler, AZ, but then cancelled it and decided to return to Perry. This meant that we would be leaving out our west coast members again. We decided to have a rally in the west. Jim Crimmins had already made plans with Pima County Fairgrounds in Tucson for a Pre-Rally in March. It was decided that we might increase attendance if we waited until April, and Jim made the plans for this Las Vegas Rally.

Hit the Jackpot Las Vegas Rally: Jim Crimmins expressed his thanks for all who are attending, which he said is what makes a successful rally. He said he had been able to form a committee of officers and other members to strategize and plan for this. We did away with many things that cost us money, such as parking. Unfortunately, the food caterer did a little less than we hoped, but they promise him that will improve tonight. We don't have a final tally, but he has been assured that we are close to break-even. When we started, we expected to lose \$5,000-\$10,000.

As a token of the club's appreciation, Wilma Jean presented Jim and Melva a gift card and a bottle of wine. She said she knew it wasn't the quality of wine he was accustomed to. Her story was that she attended the SkyMed presentation with only her and another couple attending. The presenter had 3 bottles of wine to give away, so the couple received 1 and she received 1. They asked her what wine she preferred, and she told them she didn't drink wine. The couple asked why she was taking it if she didn't drink it, and she told them she would give it to Jim. He accepted it graciously.

MI Albuquerque Balloon Fiesta Rally: Harry Hentschel first asked how many attendees had been to this MI rally and found that the majority in the room had. He said that 2018 was a huge success. The critiques completed on the last day were virtually all positive. He encouraged those who haven't attended (and even those who have) to go to the December newsletter to see highlights and pictures. One of the first timers at the rally actually had a picture published in the FMCA magazine. We again have 80 spaces for this year and have 72 members who have already signed up, which is the largest number of members we have had by this time since at least 2010. We opened registration to non-members around 2008 when the market turned down, and we will do that again this year on April 15. He encouraged those members who want to go to register today or tomorrow.

Harry discussed the goal of breaking even over the years and how that has become more difficult. This year, the Balloon Fiesta raised our parking fees 15%, and other costs continue to rise. We try to do things smarter, and we couldn't do it without a host of volunteers to help every day with the appetizers (Carolyn Banks interjected that that activity is also fun; except the eggs, according to Jim Crimmins). Harry explained that they don't buy appetizers, but they check food prices for a week, then spend 2 days buying everything. This does hold the price down. Along those lines, he asked Mitch Mitchell to go over some examples: Mitch said he paid \$500, his SOBs (some other brand – and they brought 4 couples) paid about \$600 each. A couple from Mitch and Barb's winter place went with Fantasy Tours and paid the same price as all 4 of his friends together (\$2500), and they were parked a mile away and bused in daily.

Wilma Jean added some history: when her husband, Les, was President in 1998-99, they attended the Balloon Fiesta with Monaco Travelers. Les saw the event as a great destination for MI and went to the Balloon Fiesta board to propose a contract for 40 sites for MI. He appointed Jim and Kay Martin as the first rally hosts (they were residents of Albuquerque). After they did it for several years, David and Kay Piper took over until David's death, when Harry and Sandy became the hosts. Assistants during the Piper's tenure were Marvin and De Pitts, who continued until last year. Neither is in good health. Last year, De was unable to attend, but sent their son and his significant other to assist. As a thank-you for their long term of service, she said we have prepared a letter which will be signed by Board members and passed around for any who have attended the rally during Marvin and De's time to sign.

Task Force Report:

Wilma Jean said that she appointed this group immediately after her election last year. She asked Jim Crimmins to chair that group, with the commission to address several topics relating to the future of Monaco International.

Jim Crimmins said the group met by conference call, starting out about once a month, but becoming less frequent as this rally took more of his time. Their first topic was how to retain and gain more members. Reviving the newsletter was their first idea, and Paulette Jones became the editor. The newsletter has been coming out about every 3 months now. Their next topic was rallies. The committee believed that one way to grow our organization is to have more activities instead of just meeting once or twice a year. This helps to grow friendships, also. This topic took a long time. Wilma Jean then wrote the results into a letter to the Board, which Jim asked her to read at this time. *[Secretary's Note: The copy of this letter is included as an attachment to these minutes.]* Wilma Jean commented that these ideas were not set in concrete but do give us a place to start.

Jim continued with the Task Force's realization that the price of fuel and our members' ages made it more difficult to drive "from Surprise, AZ, to Perry, GA." Their goal was to bring rallies closer to the members. The Tallahassee and Las

Vegas rallies were test cases. Both were a little different from the norm. The Board will continue to review this information and decide what to do. He emphasized that member feedback is definitely solicited.

The Task Force's last task was the hardest. They believe we need to get closer to FMCA in order to have a rally within a rally. In Gillette, we had a rally within the FMCA rally: we all parked at the FMCA site, didn't have to move; they provided the entertainment, food, and vendors. The club will look at this subject more in depth. One of the suggestions is to look at our regions. We have 6 and FMCA has 9. One of our regions has so many states, an RD would find it difficult to do anything with that big an area. The Task Force is suggesting that the Board might want to try to align our regions with the same areas as FMCA. One of the objections that came up is the difficulty we have even finding members to serve as regional directors. Do we just need one regional director per region, or do we really need two? It's an ongoing challenge. Jim hopes the new Board will continue the Task Force to look into these matters.

Wilma Jean addressed the idea from the Task Force of changing the name of the club. She said that the feedback after she sent out the email regarding the name change was "why are they changing the name?" The Board decided to put this idea on hold and take a closer look before presenting the idea to the members. She did comment about the name change submittals that included the name REV: we have mixed emotions because we get no support from REV Group, and they are not producing any Monaco coaches, so why should we include their name if there is no relationship between us. She recalled a conversation she had before she became MI President when she attended a meeting that included the REV Group President. She asked him about the possibility of MI serving as the representative to FMCA for REV Group. His answer immediately was "no." She asked why, and he said it would alienate the other groups. They are not interested in our support, so we need to take that into consideration as we go forward.

President's Report:

Wilma Jean reported that, in the past year, she did create the Task Force. There was a redistribution of rallies. Recruitment of members was important, and she described how members could host a happy hour for any Monaco coaches they encounter in their travels, describing how she and Les did this after their retirement in 1990 (BYOB and a snack to share). They were able to recruit many new members with this method. This year, Harry and Sandy Hentschel held one and recruited new MI members and Balloon Fiesta attendees. Mitch and Barb Mitchell had one at their winter quarters at River Bend in Florida and also added new members. She encouraged all to try this.

Wilma Jean recruited Steve Cahill as a replacement for webmaster Jerry Jenkins, who was retiring from motorhoming. Steve was a first timer with a background in computers and the Web. As time went on, they realized the job was more than one person could handle, so she asked Paulette Jones to assist, and she agreed. Incoming President (candidate) John Jones has agreed that she can be second in command for webmaster.

With all new members who signed up, Wilma Jean received an email from Brenda Reagh with names and email addresses, and she always sent the new members a note of welcome by email and encouraged them to become involved with the club. She told first-timers at this rally that being involved in what's happening will make a much better experience for them.

Wilma Jean said that, since joining the organization in 1994, she and Les have been involved in FMCA and as many as 24 chapters. With only one daughter, who spent 14 years in Australia, MI and FMCA became their family. She encouraged all, especially anyone who likes being with people, to become involved.

Wilma Jean ended by saying that this has been a very busy year, but she has enjoyed the opportunity to be MI President.

Annual Election

Nancy Wolfe, who chaired the Nominating Committee, admitted that this task was a challenge this year. She stated that the Committee sent out, via club newsletter, the 30 days + notice of nominees required by our Bylaws. There have been a couple of changes since then that are not reflected on your ballots. *[Secretary's Note: Ballots were distributed at the beginning of the meeting to one person from each coach represented at this rally in accordance with the Bylaws.]* Since the nominees were published in the newsletter, she dispensed with reading the list at this time and asked that members help the election proceed quickly by seconding and closing motions as needed.

Nancy stated that we did not receive any resumes from the candidates (most of whom are incumbents), but if members have questions, she will have the candidates answer.

The committee nominated John P. Jones for President, and we have his consent form. There were no nominations from the floor. Motion to close nominations was seconded. With only one nominee, Nancy declared that John Jones is elected President by acclamation.

The committee nominated Dale Johnson for First Vice President, and we have a consent form. There were no nominations from the floor. Motion to close nominations was seconded. With only one nominee, Nancy declared that Dale Johnson is elected First Vice President by acclamation.

Nancy stated that we did have a nominee for Second Vice President, but he withdrew about 3 weeks ago. The Nominating Committee tried diligently to find a nominee. She said that if anyone is willing to step up for this position, it would put that person in line to become President of MI and would be a rewarding job. Harry Hentschel was nominated from the floor by Jackie Holt, and the nomination was seconded; however, Harry Hentschel declined the nomination, saying he wants to remain as MI's National Director. Len Henderson was nominated from the floor by Peggy Bullock, and the nomination was seconded, but Len was not present. Nancy sent a member with a consent form to try to find Len, so this officer election was postponed.

The committee nominated Carolyn Banks for Secretary, and we have a consent form. There were no nominations from the floor. Motion to close nominations was seconded. With only one nominee, Nancy declared that Carolyn Banks is elected Secretary by acclamation.

The committee nominated Dick Wolfe for Treasurer, and we have a consent form. There were no nominations from the floor. Motion to close nominations was seconded. With only one nominee, Nancy declared that Dick Wolfe is elected Treasurer by acclamation.

The committee nominated Lois Tucker for Vice President of Membership, and we have a consent form. There were no nominations from the floor. Motion to close nominations was seconded. With only one nominee, Nancy declared that Lois Tucker is elected Vice President of Membership by acclamation.

At this time, the person who sought out Len Henderson with a consent form returned with a blank form.

The committee nominated Harry Hentschel for National Director, and we have a consent form. There were no nominations from the floor. Motion to close nominations was seconded. With only one nominee, Nancy declared that Harry Hentschel is elected National Director by acclamation.

Norma Preston agreed to be on the ballot for Alternate National Director after the 30-day notice period had passed, so she was nominated from the floor by Carolyn Banks, and the nomination was seconded. There were no further nominations from the floor. Motion to close nominations was seconded. With only one nominee, Nancy declared that Norma Preston is elected Alternate National Director by acclamation.

The committee nominated Joe Bolkovatz for Region 1 Director. There were no nominations from the floor. Motion to close nominations was seconded. With only one nominee, Nancy declared that Joe Bolkovatz is elected Region 1 Director by acclamation.

Nancy asked for nominations or a volunteer to fill the second position as Region 1 Director. She asked anyone who might be interested to see her later.

The committee nominated Jim Crimmins for Region 2 Director. Monica Buckhout was nominated from the floor by Lois Tucker, and the nomination was seconded. There were no further nominations from the floor. Motion to close nominations was seconded. With two nominees for the two positions, Nancy declared that Jim Crimmins and Monica Buckhout are elected Region 2 Directors by acclamation.

The committee nominated Verda DeGerald and Richard Pasetto for Region 3 Directors. There were no nominations from the floor. Motion to close nominations was seconded. With two nominees for the two positions, Nancy declared that Verda DeGerald and Richard Pasetto are elected Region 3 Directors by acclamation.

The committee nominated Bart Mix and Gordon Owenby for Region 4 Directors. There were no nominations from the floor. Motion to close nominations was seconded. With two nominees for the two positions, Nancy declared that Bart Mix and Gordon Owenby are elected Region 4 Directors by acclamation.

The committee nominated Don Henderson and Nancy Nelson for Region 5 Directors. There were no nominations from the floor. Motion to close nominations was seconded. With two nominees for the two positions, Nancy declared that Don Henderson and Nancy Nelson are elected Region 5 Directors by acclamation.

The committee nominated Barb Mitchell and Bob Tucker for Region 6 Directors, but Barb Mitchell withdrew her name before the meeting. There were no nominations from the floor. Motion to close nominations was seconded. With one nominee for the two positions, Nancy declared that Bob Tucker is elected Region 6 Director by acclamation.

Nancy declared the election complete for today. With no nominee for Second Vice President, Nancy asked that we contact her or the other members of the Nominating Committee (Laura Wyatt and Paulette Jones) by phone (numbers are on the published list of nominees) to volunteer or propose a nominee. She said that the biggest objection to running for the office was the desire not to have to go cross country to rallies. The Executive Board is addressing that issue, however. Carolyn Banks asked for Norma Preston and Monica Buckhout to provide their contact information.

Wilma Jean asked all those involved in planning this rally to stand and be recognized. She also introduced the new officers. She then turned the gavel and microphone over to the new President, John Jones. John announced that Wilma Jean will be formally recognized for her and Les' great work with Monaco International at dinner tonight.

As the new President, John is looking for a Rally Master to plan a Destination Rally for the Spring FMCA Convention in Tucson – or a Rally Within a Rally. He wants to ensure that we have representation at the Convention. And we really want to have a Destination Rally a little later – April or later – to include more of those who have winter commitments. As Vice President, he looked at rally sites, and is considering Savannah, GA.

John asked that the letters to Curt Curtis and De and Marvin Pitts be returned so they can be mailed.

Harry Hentschel said that we owe tremendous thanks to Jim and Melva Crimmins for their work in planning this rally, and also to Wilma Jean and Les. He said he doesn't know anyone more dedicated to this organization than Wilma Jean. An ovation followed.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Carolyn Banks
MI Secretary

NEW: MEMBERSHIP CARDS VIA WEBSITE

Members are now able to access membership cards via their profile on the Monaco International RV Club (mirvclub.com) website. Once logged in, you can click the [View Profile](#) link and your membership card will be displayed. It contains your name(s), FMCA number and the Michelin ship to # 1322292, Original Membership and Dues Date. It can be saved as a PDF for printing by clicking the [Printable PDF](#) link or saved as an image on your smartphone by clicking the [Image Optimized for Smartphones](#) link. (See the example below)



Membership Card
MONACO INTERNATIONAL
A Chapter of FMCA

John & Paulette Jones

FMCA #: F 394104 Michelin ship to # 1326516
Membership February 10, 2016 Thru January 01, 2020

FMCA UPDATE

100th Convention:

FMCA will hold its 100th Convention this Summer in Minot, ND August 14-17. The 100th Convention will also be election of officers. The candidates put forth by the National Nominating Committee are for National Senior VP: Rett Porter, Jack Mayberry and Percy Bell; for National Secretary: Kathie Balogh, Ken Carpenter and Connie Jones; for National Treasurer: John Reynolds. Nominations may be made from the Floor at the Governing Board Meeting.

For National Directors, Alternate NDs and Club Presidents, the Governing Board Meeting is scheduled for August 14th. The Annual Membership Meeting is scheduled for August 17th.

The Governing Board will also consider two changes to the Bylaws:

#1 - Change the minimum size of a Chapter from twenty members to fifteen. Groups of seven members (currently ten) could petition as an Associate Chapter.

#2 - Allow Chapter to change their Bylaws to combine the positions of Secretary and Treasurer.

If you have any input to share on the officer nominations or Bylaw changes, you may contact either myself, Harry Hentschel (719-339-9237; hands1968@me.com) or Norma Preston (714-458-7570; npreston77399@gmail.com), the Alternate National Director, via the way you are most comfortable with or talk with us in Rapid City if you are attending.

Other Upcoming Conventions:

FMCA has also announced that the Winter (Spring), 2020 Convention will be held in Tucson, AZ March 26-29. FMCA Staff and the Convention Committee will recommend to the Governing Board to hold the Summer, 2020 Convention in Syracuse, NY. Other TENTATIVE Convention locations, pending successful contract negotiations are:

Winter, 2021 - Perry, GA; Summer 2021 - Gillette, WY

Again, all of these are TENTATIVE based on successful contract negotiations.

Area VP Election Results:

On May 7, 2019, the ballots for the election of the Area National Vice Presidents were tabulated by FMCA's certified public accounting firm, and the results are as follows:

Midwest Area: Gary Milner, F409834

Northeast Area: Barbara Smith, F329936 & John Traphagen, F20711D Rocky Mountain Area:
Jamie Erickson, F142560S

South Central Area: Joe Wright, F51289 Southeast Area: Betty
Duncan, F253901

National Directors Forum:

We currently plan to hold Forum in preparation of the Pre-Governing Board Workshop and Meeting during the MI Pre-Rally in Rapid City for National Directors/Alternate National Directors, Club Officers and any other interested party. The focus will be to review the anticipated proposed changes to FMCA Bylaws and candidates for the National President, Senior Vice President, National Secretary and National Treasurer. A notice when and where the Forum will be held will be included in the Rally Program or posted at the Information Booth.