

# Coaster Chatter

## MERRY CHRISTMAS



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### President's Corner

As 2016 comes to a close I want to take this opportunity to not only wish you a Merry Christmas but to thank all of you for all your help over the past five plus years that it has been my pleasure to be your President. Virginia and I are looking forward to the coming year and seeing all of you "down the road" at future Rallies.

Thank You, Paul Springer

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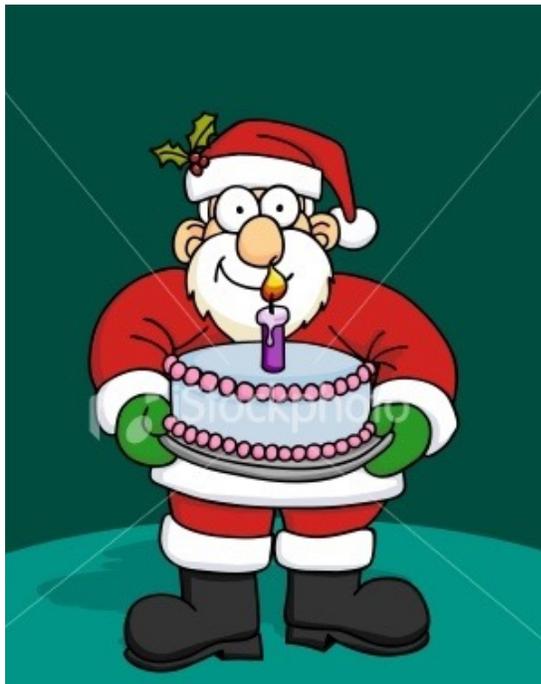
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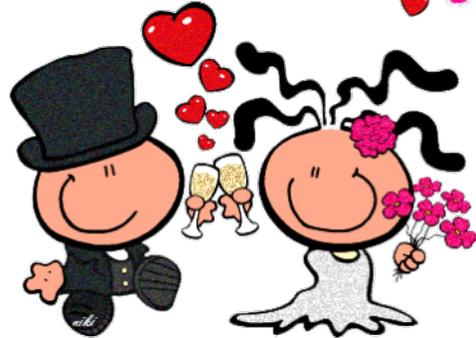
Cris Warren

*December Birthdays*

- Lance Brown
- Sylvia Burns
- Debra Davis
- Jim De Vos
- Rick Duggan
- Edward Guiza
- Sylvia Hale
- Rod Kubes
- Susan McAbee
- John Neisess
- Roger Rendall
- Joan Stensen



*Happy Anniversary*



*December Anniversaries*

- 54 Years
- Max & Donna Peterson
- Tim & Joan Stenson
- 44 Years
- Jim & Susan Lewis
- 39 Years
- Don & Karen Jones
- 27 Years
- Dave & Sylvia Burns
- 19 Years
- Dennis & Sybil Wheeler
- 17 Years
- Joe & Cathy La Fayette



**Click On Link below to go to Site**

Coaster Chapter Links (newsletters)	<a href="http://wafmca.com/?p=340">wafmca.com/?p=340</a>
Coaster Rally Photos:	<a href="http://flickr.com/photos/12765661@N06/sets/">flickr.com/photos/12765661@N06/sets/</a>
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FMCA Website	<a href="http://fmca.com">fmca.com</a>
FMCA Digital Magazine	<a href="http://fmc magazine.com">fmc magazine.com</a>
Western Motor Home Association	<a href="http://wafmca.com">wafmca.com</a>
Western Assoc. ByWays Newsletter:	<a href="http://wafmca.com/wp-content/uploads/fall_2015_ByWays_Color-.pdf">http://wafmca.com/wp-content/uploads/fall_2015_ByWays_Color-.pdf</a>

**Annual Dues Reminder:**

**You should have received your dues invoice via email from Sharon Rendall the first week of November. If you did not receive it please contact Sharon at [rendallsharon@gmail.com](mailto:rendallsharon@gmail.com)**

**Financial Report  
October 25 - November 26**

<b>Beginning Balance</b>	<b>\$ 9,408.86</b>
<b>Receipts</b>	<b>\$ 0</b>
<b>Expenses &amp; Deposits</b>	<b>\$ 5,008.00*</b>
<b>Ending Balance</b>	<b>\$ 4,400.86</b>

**\*Includes \$4,500 Balloon Festival Deposit**



## **Volunteers Needed**

### **Indio Rally January 8 – 15, 2017**

Once again the California Coasters have stepped up to volunteer to drive the six-passenger Courtesy Trams (golf carts) to assist FMCA members get around the Riverside County Fair Grounds during the Indio Rally. To erase the “handicapped” stigma, the committee has decided to change the name of our service to the more appropriate terminology of “Courtesy Trams,” because you do not have to be handicapped to ride on the trams.

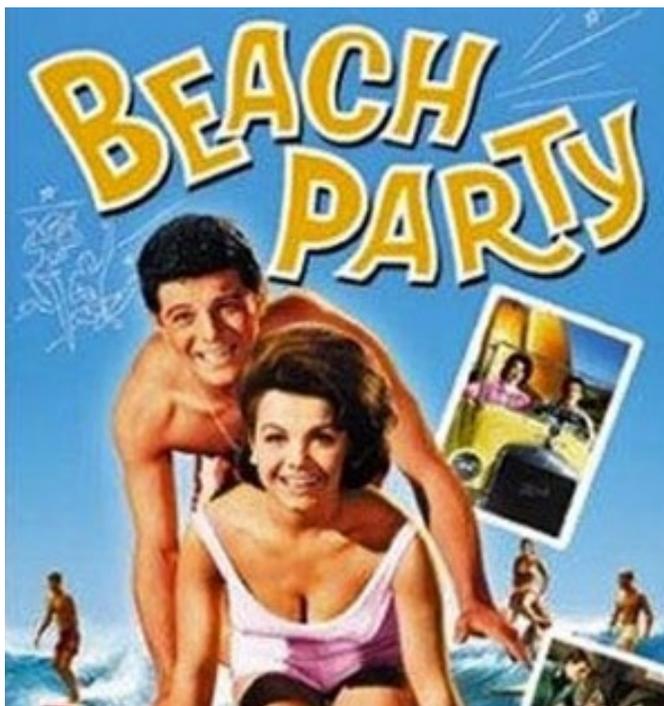
Having 5 six passenger trams in service during the Rally requires about 65 volunteers to drive two or three 3-hour shifts. To meet this requirement, we have partnered with the Monaco Roamers (Roamers) Chapter to help us meet the demand for volunteers to drive the golf carts during the rally. The benefit that we and the Roamers receive is that we both get to park close to the venues on asphalt with 30 Amp electrical hookups during the Rally. We are usually located next to the new and almost new motor home display area.

So if you are planning to go to the Indio Rally and join in on the “Beach Party” festivities that include Coaster comradery, RV related seminars, new and used motor home displays, sale of RV equipment & supplies, free coffee and donuts, Beach Party Parade, ice cream social and food booths, sign up to attend the Rally and volunteer to help out by taking your turn as a volunteer golf cart driver to help fellow FMCA members get from one place to another on the vast Riverside County Fair Grounds.

All you need to do is sign up with FMCA and the Coasters to attend the Rally (see directions in this issue of the Chatter) and email George Brodt at [gbrodt@earthlink.net](mailto:gbrodt@earthlink.net), or call George at (661) 904-7083, to say that you and your wife (significant other) would like to help out as volunteer golf cart drivers. Volunteers also get to participate in the free volunteer dinner on Tuesday evening and they get one-night free parking at the fairgrounds on Tuesday night (worth \$ 25.00).

# ONLY ONE VOLUNTEER NEEDED TO LEAD THE PARADE

Looking for the  
BIG  
Kahuna!  
Is that you?



**INDIO RALLY PARADE THEME IS BEACH PARTY. LOOKING FOR AN ORGANIZER TO HELP GET THE CALIFORNIA COASTERS BACK ON TOP.**

**The parade is on Thursday January 12, 2017 Let's get our beach blankets, surfboards and show them how the Coasters throw a beach party!**

To volunteer contact Thom and Sharon Page at [thomsharon@sbcglobal.net](mailto:thomsharon@sbcglobal.net)

**REMINDER: You must complete the following registration for the California Coasters AND go online to [FMCA.COM](http://FMCA.COM) and register for the Rally with FMCA.**

	<b>California Coasters WMHA Rally Registration Indio, CA</b>			
Place: Riverside County Fairgrounds 82-503 Hwy 111 Indio, CA 92201		Trail Bosses: Thom & Sharon Page John & Gigi Neisess Denny & Sybil Wheeler Paul & Virginia Springer		
Date: January 8 - 15, 2017		Registration Deadline: Friday, December 9, 2016		
Name(s):		Arrival Date: January 8, 2017		
Phone:	Email:			
Cell Phone:	FMCA #			
Emergency Contact:	Emergency Phone:			
Relationship:	Handicapped Parking :      Y      N			
Coach Length:	License #	Tow:   Y   N      Number of Slides:		
ITEM	# OF PEOPLE	AMOUNT CHARGED	AMOUNT TO PAY	COMMENTS
<b>FOOD COST PER PERSON</b>		\$65		
<b>PARKING FEE VOLUNTEERS</b> Covers Sun, Mon & Tues nights	X	\$50		
<b>PARKING FEE, <u>NON-VOLIUNTEERS</u></b> Covers Sun, Mon, Tues nights	X	\$75		
TOTAL ENCLOSED =				
SEND FORM and CHECK PAYABLE TO: CALIFORNIA COASTERS				
MAIL TO:      Thom Page 1146 11th St. Los Osos, CA 93402				
NOTE: Registration checks will be deposited no more than five days prior to the start of the rally.				
Directions: I-10 to Monroe. Monroe south 3 miles to 48th. Left 1/2 mile to Arabia Street. Left on Arabia to the arival area on the right.				

 <b>INDIO RALLY ACTIVITY SCHEDULE</b> 		
DAY/DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY
Sat. 1/7/17	Anytime	Informal overnight meet up at the RV parking lot behind Morongo Casino in Cabazon. Parking is free and there are no hook ups. Complimentary shuttles to the casino and outlets are available. Caravan to Indio Sunday morning at 9:00 AM SHARP, we are scheduled to be parked in the fairgrounds at 11:00 AM..
Sun. 1/8/17	11:00 AM	Enter Rally and set-up party area. Please bring tables, pop-ups and empty water jugs for the party area.
	5:00 PM	Bring heavy hors d'oeuvres to share (BYOB) (BYOTS) Dinner on your own.
Mon. 1/9/17	7:30 AM	Donuts-BYOB
	5:00 PM	Light Hors d'oeuvres provided by committee-BYOB, BYOTS
	6:00 PM	Catered Dinner of Beef Stroganoff, Green Salad and Carrot Cake -BYOB, BYOTS
Tue. 1/10/17	7:30 AM	Donuts-BYOB
	5:00 PM	Light Hors d'oeuvres provided by committee-BYOB, BYOTS
	6:00 PM	Volunteer Dinner or Dinner on your own
Wed. 1/11/17	7:30 AM	Donuts-BYOB
	5:00 PM	Light Hors d'oeuvres provided by committee-BYOB, BYOTS
	6:00 PM	Catered KFC Dinner-BYOB, BYOTS
	7:00 PM	Bingo (\$500 blackout)
Thur. 1/12/17	7:30 AM	Donuts-BYOB
	4:00 PM	Parade - (We will not be in the parade unless someone volunteers to take the lead)
	6:00 PM	Pizza Dinner - following parade. - BYOB, BYOTS
	7:00 PM	Entertainment-The Flashback Boyz (Rock & Roll and more)
Fri. 1/13/17	7:30 AM	Donuts-BYOB
	4:00 PM	Light Hors d'oeuvres provided by committee-BYOB, BYOTS
	5:00 PM	Catered Dinner of Chicken Crepes, Spinach & Strawberry Salad & Dessert-BYOB, BYOTS
	6:00 PM	Entertainment - The Troubadour Experience (George Strait Tribute Band)
Sat. 1/14/17	7:30 AM	Donuts-BYOB
	4:00 PM	Light Hors d'oeuvres-BYOB
	5:00 PM	Dinner- Mario's Italian Restaurant, choice of Lasagna, Eggplant Parmigiano or Penne Marinara. Salad & garlic bread, soft drinks & coffee included. No host bar
	6:00 PM	Awards and Entertainment-The Southwest Surfers (Beach Boys Tribute Band)
Sun. 1/15/17		Safe Travels

	<b>California Coasters Rally Registration</b> <b>Pismo Beach, CA</b>			
Place: Pismo Coast Village RV Resort 165 S. Dolliver Street Pismo Beach, CA. 93449 (805)773-1811		Trail Bosses: John & Carol Wright Assistants: Lance & Judi Brown Tim & Joy Gilles Court & Chris Warren		
Date: Feb. 6-10, 2017		Registration Deadline: Dec. 31, 2016		
Name(s): _____		Arrival Date: _____ Departure Date: _____		
Phone: _____	Email: _____			
Cell Phone: _____	FMCA # _____			
Emergency Contact: _____	Emergency Phone: _____			
Relationship: _____	Handicapped Parking :      Y      N			
Coach Length: _____ License # _____	Tow:    Y    N	Number of Slides: _____		
ITEM	# OF PEOPLE	# EXTRA NITES ONLY	AMOUNT TO PAY	COMMENTS
PARKING (rally is <u>  4  </u> nites)	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	\$165.00	Coasters pays first 3 nights and 4th night is FREE
FOOD ( <u>  \$44  </u> per person)		<b>X</b>		Does not include the Elks Lodge or Rosa's Italian Restaurant
EXTRA NIGHTS ( <u>  \$55  </u> per nite)	<b>X</b>			MUST pay thru Coasters
ELK'S LODGE TACO NIGHT		<b>X</b>	PAY ELK'S	NOT INCLUDED
ROSA'S ITALIAN RESTAURANT		<b>X</b>	PAY ROSA'S	NOT INCLUDED
TOTAL ENCLOSED =				
SEND FORM and CHECK PAYABLE TO: CALIFORNIA COASTERS				
MAIL TO:     John Wright 5036 W. Locust Ave. Fresno, CA. 93722				
NOTE: Registration checks will be deposited no more than five days prior to the start of the rally.				
<b>EXTRA NIGHTS</b> before or after the rally <b>MUST BE ARRANGED WITH AND PAID TO THE COASTERS.</b>				
Maximum extra days is 5 days before and 5 days after the rally. <b>Only 30 sites are reserved.</b>				
Check in is <b>AFTER</b> 4:00 PM. Check out is <b>BEFORE</b> 12:00 PM.				
<b>NOTE: The cost for the dinners at the ELKS LODGE and ROSA'S ITALIAN RESTAURANT are not included.</b> We are arranging for the reservations only so please indicate if you are going so we can give them a head count.				
<b>DIRECTIONS:</b>				
<b>Northbound US101:</b> Exit Price Street <b>East</b> . At the bottom of the off ramp, turn <b>Left</b> onto Ocean View Street (the first cross street). Go one block to Dolliver Street and turn <b>Left</b> . At the first stop light, turn <b>Right</b> into the resort.				
<b>Southbound US101:</b> Exit HWY 1 <b>South</b> . Proceed <b>straight</b> thru town on Dolliver Street (Hwy 1). At the third stop light, turn <b>Right</b> into the resort.				



**RALLY ACTIVITY SCHEDULE PISMO BEACH, CA**



DAY/DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY
Sun 2/5/17	4:00 PM	Committee and early arrivals check in
	5:00 PM	Social hour @ Wright's RV, BYOB
	6:00 PM	Dinner on your own
Mon 2/6/17	4:00 PM	Coasters check in
	5:00 PM	Social hour @ club house, BYOB, light appetizers provided
	6:00 PM	Dinner @ ELKS CLUB or on your own (car pool as parking is limited), Taco Nite, \$8.50 per person, <b>pay to Elks**</b>
Tues 2/7/17	7:30 AM	Coffee @ club house, BYO cup
	8:00 AM	Continental breakfast, BYOTS
		Enjoy the day on your own
	5:00 PM	Social hour @ club house, BYOB, light appetizers provided
	6:00 PM	Catered Dinner @ club house, clam chowder bowl, salad
	7:00 PM	Games and prizes
Wed 2/8/17	7:30 AM	Coffee @ club house, BYO cup
	8:00 AM	Continental breakfast, BYOTS
		Enjoy the day on your own
	5:00 PM	Social hour @ club house, BYOB, light appetizers provided
	6:00 PM	Catered Dinner @ club house, pulled pork sandwiches, fries, salad
	7:00 PM	Games and prizes
Thur 2/9/17	7:30 AM	Coffee @ club house, BYO cup
	8:00 AM	Continental breakfast, BYOTS
		Enjoy the day on your own
	5:00 PM	Social hour @ club house, BYOB, light appetizers provided
	6:00 PM	Dinner @ ROSA'S ITALIAN RESTAURANT or on your own (car pool as parking is limited), <b>pay to Rosa's**</b>
Fri 2/10/17	7:30 AM	Coffee @ club house, BYO cup
	8:00 AM	Continental breakfast, BYOTS
	12:00 PM	Good byes and departure

**\*\* Please advise if you will be going to these dinners as we have to give a head count and reserve tables for the group.**

**If you think you may want to go to the Balloon Festival we need you to send in deposit checks ASAP. Names will go on the list in the order that they are received. We only reserved and paid for 25 sites and we signed up 13 coaches at Borrego Springs.**

	<b>California Coasters Rally Registration</b> Albuquerque, NM			
2017 Albuquerque Balloon Fiesta International Balloon Fiesta Grounds 4401 Alameda Blvd NE, Albuquerque, NM Date: October 8-10 caravan to Albuquerque, October 11-15 (4 Nights at Albuquerque)		Trail Bosses: John and Gigi Neisess Thom and Sharon Page  <b style="color: red;">Deposit of \$180 due NOW</b> Registration Deadline: Balance of \$180 by July 15		
Name(s):		Arrival Date:		
Phone:		Email:		
Cell Phone:		FMCA #		
Emergency Contact:		Emergency Phone:		
Relationship:		Handicapped Parking :    Y    N		
Coach Length:	License #	Tow:   Y   N    Number of Slides:		
ITEM	# OF PEOPLE/NIGHT	AMOUNT CHARGED	AMOUNT TO PAY	COMMENTS
PARKING FEE PER NIGHT    \$90	<b>X</b>	360		\$180 deposit
PARKING FEE PER NIGHT Needles)	<b>X</b>			Pay Park
PARKING FEE PER NIGHT (Meteor)	<b>X</b>			Pay Park
PARKING FEE PER NIGHT    (Gallup)	<b>X</b>			Pay Park
FOOD COST PER PERSON        \$16.50				
TOTAL ENCLOSED =				
SEND FORM and CHECK PAYABLE TO: CALIFORNIA COASTERS MAIL TO:     John Neisess 36 El Viento Pismo Beach, CA 93449				
Note: Registration checks for the deposit will be deposited as soon as they are sent, see Cancellation policies Cancellations: Before July 1: a full refund minus a \$10 cancellation fee. July 1 Through August 31: 50% refund. No refunds after August 31, 2017				
Caravan schedule: Oct. 8 Needles Marina RV Park, Needles, CA; Oct 9 Meteor Crater RV Park, Winslow, AZ; Oct 10 USA RV Park, Gallup, NM; Oct 11 depart for Albuquerque Fiesta grounds				

		<b>BALLOON FIESTA RALLY ACTIVITY SCHEDULE</b>			
DAY/DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY			
Sun 10/8/17	2:00 PM	Arrive at Needles Marina RV Park and check in			
	5:00 PM	Social hour, BYOB, Light appetizers provided by committee			
	6:00 PM	Hamburgers and fixings provided by committee BYOTS			
Mon 10/9/17	9-10:00 AM	Depart for Meteor Carater RV Park, I-40 & Exit 233, Winslow AZ (245 miles)			
	5:00 PM	Happy hour BYOB, Dinner on your own, recommend Turquoise Room at the La Poada Hotel in Winslow			
Tue 10/10/17	9-10:00 AM	Depart for for USA RV Park, Gallup, NM 295 W. Hwy 66, Gallup, NM (143 miles)			
	5:30 PM	No Happy hour. Dinner on your own at Cracker Barrel in Gallup.			
Wed 10/11/17	9:00 AM	Depart for Albuquerque Balloon Fiesta grounds (150 miles). <b>Be sure you have enough fuel to run your generator.</b> We must go in together at NOON. Suggest visiting the International Balloon Museum in			
		afternoon after picking up gate passes from committee.			
	5:00 PM	Happy hour BYOB followed by Pizza provided by committee.			
Thur 10/12/17	6:00 AM	Balloon Ascension early AM			
	4:00 PM	No happy hour. Dinner on your own. Suggest eating at High Finance on top of Sandia Peak. Go early			
		the aerial tram backs up in the afternoon.			
Fri 10/13/17	6:00 AM	Mass ascension in early AM			
	10:00 AM	Car pool to Old Town Albuquerque. Plan a late lunch or early dinner.			
	5:00 PM	Happy hour BYOB. Dinner on your own.			
Sat 10/14/17	6:00 AM	Mass ascension in early AM			
	5:00 PM	Happy hour followed by KFC dinner provided by committee. Enjoy Night Glow and fireworks.			
Sun 10/15/17	10:00 AM	Depart the RV parking area. You are on your own now so have a safe trip home. Thank you for coming.			

		<h1 style="margin: 0;">2017 RALLY SCHEDULE</h1>			
2017	RALLY & LOCATION	TRAILBOSS	ASSISTANTS		
Jan 11 - 15	WFMCA Rally Riverside County Fairgrounds Indio, CA	Thom & Sharon Page	Denny & Sybil Wheeler John & Gigi Neisess Denny & Sybil Wheeler Paul & Virginia Springer		
February 6 - 10	Pismo Coast Village Pismo Beach	John & Carol Wright	Court & Cris Warren Lance & Judi Brown Tim & Joy Gilles		
March 1 - 4	Lake Cachuma	Tim & Joy Gilles	John & Carol Wright Howard & Maureen Jones		
April 3 - 8	Distant Drums RV Resort Camp Verde, AZ (Sedona)	LeRoy & DJ Davis	Paul & Virginia Springer Howard & Maureen Jones Roger & Sharon Rendall		
May 8 - 10	The Lakes RV & Golf Resort Chowchilla, CA	Dick & Rose Marie Perry	Dale & Betty Johnson Woody & Ida-Jean Woodruff		
June/July/Aug.	<b>DARK MONTHS</b>				
Sept. 11 - 14	Flying Flags RV Resort Buellton, CA	John & Carol Wright	Lance & Judi Brown Tim & Joy Giles Pat & Shirley Crawford		
October	Balloon Festival Albuquerque, NM	John & Gigi Neisess	Thom & Sharon Page		
November	<b>DARK MONTH</b>				
Dec 4 - 8	Wine Country RV Paso Robles, CA				



Dear FMCA Member,

Make your plans today to join your FMCA friends and family for FUN, entertainment, seminars ... and did we mention FUN?

The welcome mat is out for all FMCA members and friends to attend this year's event, taking place at Rawhide Western Town & Event Center in Chandler, AZ, March 7 through 10, 2017.

Make sure your Chapter members are planning to attend! They will enjoy daily entertainment, helpful seminars, exhibits of the latest and greatest motorhomes and accessories, and the FUN of being among FMCA members from all across North America.

Choose the attendance option that fits you best.

- Daily Pass – just want to see what's new in RVs and wander the (fun and entertaining) exhibit hall? Choose a daily pass for only \$10/person or \$25/family
- Daily or Full Event Passport – is your RV parked in the Chandler area and you don't want to pull up stakes? Choose a Daily or Full Event Passport and explore the exhibits, attend seminars, enjoy the nightly entertainment and member gatherings. Then head home to rest up for the next day! Daily Passports from \$50, or choose our "best value" package for \$175/couple to attend all four days.
- Full Access Camping – get the full experience of an FMCA convention by staying on the grounds next to your friends and FMCA family members. You'll receive full access to exhibits, seminars, entertainment and all the member social events. Family camping starts at \$195/couple for five nights of camping and access to the full four-day event.

There's something for EVERYONE at **FMCA's 95th International Convention and RV Expo**. Come "Rally in the Valley" with FMCA. See you there!

Charlie Adcock  
FMCA National President