



GMC Western States

Newsletter Number 52 – June 1, 2003

President's Message – Claude Brousson



Well, I still find it hard to believe, but every rally I attend, is just the best ever. Now before you begin to think I am not very discriminating in my judgment, on the way home to Victoria from Temecula, Ca. where we had almost 120 coach families in attendance, as the miles

clicked by, I did some serious thinking on this phenomenon. And I think what makes each rally so special is that almost each rally has new volunteer Rally Masters and we often are in new territory and locations. This creates the opportunity for each Rally Master to bring to the situation their own creativity, ideas, and special plans which are unique, fresh and different for all of us. Combine this with solid Vice Presidents, and a lot of volunteer helpers and good seminar presenters, along with enough traditions and familiar things to keep us in our comfort zone, and we always have a sure fire winner.

And so it happened again at the "**Silver Streak Classic Rally.**" A big **Thank You** to Phil and Joanne Hernandez and Ed and Eileen Staal and to all the rest, who made it all come together so well.

As promised in the last Newsletter, we now finally have the format for our new club badges, so you will find enclosed a sign up sheet to make your orders. I believe it is self-explanatory and one should order direct from the maker. There is an advantage to order now as he has agreed to hold this price for this year only. I hope all will like the new technology, with complementary colors, American and Canadian flags, reflecting the International aspect of the club, and the timeless classic feature of the coach with the years of manufacture and the streaming coach from the past into the present. Phil Hernandez' creativity is responsible for a lot of the theme. For those of you who would like to view the badge in colour, go to our web site at gmcws.org.

On quite a different subject, **Cassandra Jones** has agreed to be the **State Representative for Oregon.** Thanks, Cass. For the last several years we have used

the State and Provincial reps for our nominating committee, and this works well as it gives a broad representation of the club for this committee.

Many of our club members live in the hotter areas of the south, so you will be glad to have the opportunity to come north to our fall rally in September with **Denny Allen** as our Rally Master to Osoyoos BC, Canada, just across the border, from Washington State. As a brief reminder, carry adequate personal identification, carry proof of pets' vaccinations, etc. If traveling further and longer into Canada, be sure your medical coverage is suitable for Canada, don't bring guns, minimize amounts of alcohol, don't bring plants, and be careful what fresh fruit or veggies you bring. For more info on visiting Canada, go to their web site at www.ccrca.gc.ca Then click on "customs," "visitors to Canada," "Information for visitors to Canada," and on "publications". Either the first or second publication should give one all one will need to know.

That's all for now folks. Keep those wheels rolling smoothly, and if they are not, you better get to our rallies as that is what we are best at helping you with!

Claude Brousson



Secretary's Report - Frank Condos



Secretary's Report
Executive Board Meeting
April 30, 2003

Board members Claude Brousson, Dorris Garton, Gene Fisher, Frank Condos, Freddi Condos and Bill Shumway,

Area Representatives Harold and Bettie Kennedy, Mike Cherry, Bob Cook, Carol Baxter, along with Judy Cherry, the newsletter editor.

The Secretary reported the club has 389 members currently. Many new members submit their applications on the form downloaded from the web site. The secretary's report was accepted. The treasure's report was submitted and accepted. This report is included in the newsletter.

A motion was made, seconded, and approved to authorize Bob Cook to investigate spending up to \$2000 to print and furnish a maintenance log book to all members. The book could be a part of every coach's equipment and passed on to new owners.

The Wagon Master Freddi Condos reported on upcoming rallies.

Editor Judy Cherry requested and was granted authorization to publish either three or four newsletters yearly depending upon rally dates.

The proposed member badge design and color scheme was discussed and recommendations were given to President Claude for minor design changes. Order forms for the badges will be included in a newsletter.

Secretary's Report
General Meeting
May 2, 2003

The general business meeting was held after dinner. It was moved, seconded, and approved to accept the previous meeting minutes as published in the newsletter. The Secretary reported 393 members with 4 new signing up at the rally. The Secretary's report was accepted. The treasurer's report was read and accepted.

President Claude discussed the plan for providing member badges and the maintenance log book. Denny Allen presented plans for the fall rally.

Treasurer's Report - Bill Shumway



GMC Western States Planning Budget:

*Income (all sources)	\$9,000.00
Total	\$9,000.00

Expenses	
Newsletter	\$3,700.00
**Other Publications	\$1,800.00
Office Expenses	\$600.00
Board Expenses	\$400.00
President's Expenses	\$185.00
Club Rally Expenses	\$400.00
***Contingency	\$1,915.00
Total	\$9,000.00

- * Assumes 400 members
- ** Roster, Rally, and Dues Notices
- *** Also Covers Rally Advances

GMC Western States Current Report

12/15/02 - 05/10/03

Income	
Membership	\$7,305.00
Total	\$7,305.00
Expenses	
Newsletter	\$794.73
Roster	\$772.63
Dues Notice	\$297.10
Office	\$142.27
Rally Advance	\$1,400.00
Miscellaneous	\$9.00
Total	\$3,415.73

Bank Accounts

Checking Account

12/15/02 Account Bal.	\$7,802.05	
2003 Yr. Income	\$7,305.05	
2003 Yr. Expense	\$3,415.73	
Current Bal.		\$11,691.32

Interest Account

12/15/02 Account Bal.	\$17,740.17	
Interest Yr. 2003	\$55.45	
Current Bal.		\$17,795.62

Balance {Both Accounts}

\$29,486.94

**Thank You, Thank You, Thank You
To Our Wonderful Volunteers**

As Rallymasters for the GMC Western States Spring Rally at Pechanga RV Resort and Casino, we want to send you our grateful thanks for making our rally a success. The time and effort that you all gave freely is incredible!

So many months ago when we started planning this rally, it quickly dawned on us that we had taken on a huge task that could never be accomplished without a cast of thousands. You were there helping get things pulled together when the rally was ready to begin and it seemed that all was disaster. You offered calm advice and help where it was needed: setting up audio and visual for the seminars, helping with registration, directing coaches to their spots, and working wherever you were needed. With your help we got 120 coaches registered, chairs and tables cleaned and set up with colorful tablecloths, flower arrangements created, and wind-defying tarps hung around the dining deck. When things calmed down and the week started to fall into place, there you were, doing whatever needed to be done without being asked, cleaning off tables and getting up in the wee hours to help with the Continental breakfasts.

You are the Unsung Heroes, and we want to give you your rightful place in the sun. Your help is greatly appreciated. You never knew that accepting that volunteer hat was going to lead to so much work.

Without the help of many, many people it would have been an impossible task. Gene, you did a fantastic job of organizing all of the technical seminars and you had full houses at all of them. Billy, our gmcws.org webmaster was key to our success as was Judy for getting out all the information in the newsletter. Audree and Jim were the doers behind our great social schedule. Freddi was her energetic self each morning. The seminars were full of help and information. Then

there are always the unsung heroes who just pitch in and do whatever is needed. What a great group!

The rally would not have happened without you. Thank you again,

Phil and Joanne Hernandez
Ed and Eileen Staal

**Temecula Rally Report
By Audree Rowe**

We made the short run from our house to the rally site on a beautiful, sunny Saturday morning. We thought we'd be smart and sneak in a few days early to get some rest, but when we arrived, we found that there were about 20 coaches already enjoying the beautiful facilities at the Pechanga RV Resort; including our rally masters, Phil and Joanne Hernandez, and Ed and Eileen Staal.

I had quite a bit of "stuff" that I wanted to bring so I followed Jim and the coach in our pick up truck. We were matched in "stuff" by our Technical VP, Gene Fisher; who judging by the amount of gear around his campsite, must have had his tow car loaded to the roof. But we were all outdone by Phil who had his motorhome, his car, his pick up truck and a trailer tucked into his site. As soon as we were settled, we went into town to explore Temecula and were amazed at how much it had grown. Luckily for me, Old Town was still as quaint as ever and lined with antique stores. I exercised admirable restraint and only bought one small item.

Sunday and Monday went by so quickly with coaches arriving, registration, all of the setting up to be done, and most important of all—greeting friends. The rally itself officially began at 5 p.m. on Monday with bartender, Jim Rowe, opening up for business behind a really classy bar provided by our rallymasters. (We begin to understand why they needed a truck and trailer).

Tuesday morning I recruited some people to help me, and began setting out the material for the Junque Jewelry craft session. My thanks to Marilyn Roland for keeping everything organized, and Bob Obetz, Fay Curtis, and Melissa Fisher, for helping anyone who needed help using the tools or in some cases, having their fingers unglued. A couple of years ago, my friend was making those kinds of pins and encouraged me to try. I am not particularly crafty, but I made a few and I figured that if I could make them, anybody could and I decided that would be something fun to do at a rally. So I started on a quest for raw material in the form of broken jewelry. If you remember from the talk I gave on

collectibles a while back, I am the Yard Sale Queen, and with the help of a few friends I was able to amass that treasure trove you saw. Right after the session was over, people began asking me when was I going to "do it again?" My answer is probably never, but you never can tell, so hang onto your junk because it may come in handy.

Wednesday was the Victorian Ladies Tea. I have recently begun "doing tea" with a group of my friends and thought that having a tea at Western States would be a lot of fun. A group of us, including my cohort, Lillian Trubert, got together at one of our Pacific Cruiser rallies and brainstormed on what we would want at the tea, how we might accomplish it from our motorhomes, and most importantly, decided that we wanted to have some entertainment in the form of a speaker for the ladies. And it all happened just the way we dreamed it.

At noon on Wednesday, I went into the clubhouse to begin setting up for the Tea and my heart sank. The room was all set up for the technical seminars. A transformation was definitely called for and there was only one hour to do it in. Next thing I knew, Jim Rowe and a small army of men had rearranged all the tables and built a platform for the speaker. Another army of ladies appeared and prepared the cookie trays, set the tables, and got everything so beautifully arranged. Joanne Hernandez had made a trip back home that morning and brought all those fresh flowers from her garden so our tables would look beautiful.

Next our wonderful cadre of waiters reported for duty and donned their aprons. Again a special thanks to Bob Obetz, Bill Lingrey, Duane Edwards, Bob Hooton, John Morse, Pat Cerrina, John Nelson, Win Porteous, and Jim Rowe. Weren't they handsome?

Then the ladies began arriving and were welcomed at the door by not one, but a trio of Maitre Ds. Believe it or not, the three tuxedoed gentlemen had each independently come up with the idea of dressing up to honor the ladies. And the ladies themselves were a sight to see. Some got into the spirit of the afternoon with period costumes, many wore dresses (yes, GMC women have legs), and all had wonderful hats or something else special to wear. Carol Ransom arrived in a beautiful Victorian outfit complete with a true chantilly lace shawl. The amazing thing is that her authentic 1890s tiny-waisted garment is a perfect fit for Carol. Her outfit is usually kept on a mannequin in her home and she was glad of a chance to show it off to all of us. Many of the gals were proudly wearing the jeweled creations they had made the day before.

The event began with Lillian introducing our speaker, Eve Faulkner, by telling something about her background and reading three beautiful excerpts from

Eve's book, *A Diary of Brides*. Eve Faulkner is such an extraordinary woman that I want to say something about her. She is a social historian, and most recently the founder and curator of the Victorian Bridal Museum in the City of Orange, California. As Eve explained to us, her husband was a police officer and often told her stories about children he dealt with in his work. Eve and her husband acquired a large Victorian house and she began fostering teen-age girls who had been victims of abuse. And all of this while raising her own three daughters. She fostered a total of sixteen girls and reported to us that they are now in their 30s and 40s and are all doing well. Many went on to college and are now doctors, lawyers, and teachers. That alone is an amazing accomplishment. Then a friend suggested that Eve's home and garden would be perfect for weddings and to go along with this Eve began studying Victorian wedding customs. Eve placed a diary in the Bride's dressing room and asked each bride to write down her thoughts just before the wedding. From the thoughts of more than 800 brides married from her home, Eve compiled her book. She talked to us about Victorian women and their fashions, brides, romance, and courting customs. To enhance her talk, Eve was in period costume. She brought three mannequins, one showing Victorian undergarments, the second a Victorian tea gown, and the third a Victorian wedding gown. Eve's two assistants, also in period costume, added to the atmosphere by demonstrating flirting techniques when the ladies communicated with gentlemen using nothing more than a look or a movement of her fan. The talk was over all too soon.

Then for the goodies. Our waiters jumped into action and served fresh scotch scones made by Eileen Staal, plates of assorted sweets, and kept the lovely assortment of teapots circulating. Beautiful chocolate roses were made especially for us by Joanne Hernandez' talented niece, Mary Ann Ortega, and each lady was presented with a rose by a handsome waiter. While the ladies were enjoying tea, Jim Rowe, accompanied by the ever adorable Jeannette Richardson conducted the raffle for door prizes. Jeannette was attired in a period costume that she claimed was her dear departed mother's bathing dress; complete with mob cap and pantaloons.

The door prizes themselves merit mentioning. Our own Betty Kennedy was so generous in offering one of her beautiful bags to a lucky winner. Betty's coach was not in the best of health, but Betty and Harold drove their car down and stayed in the hotel so they wouldn't miss the rally. Another of our vendors, John Sapp, the creator and maker of the official GMC game, Jokers and Marbles, donated one of his deluxe sets. And there were many other things as well. Thanks again to all who were so giving.

On Thursday, we relaxed with a wonderful winery tour. Our deluxe coach complete with guide, took us into town for a visit to the Temecula museum or a little more antiquing and then on for a look at the beautiful wild flower covered hills around Temecula leading to the vineyard area. Our wine tasting and lunch were held in a beautiful garden setting. What a wonderful day!

Friday was highlighted by the Peddler's Faire held on the grassy area outside the club room. There was a special table for the crafty jewelry ladies to display their creations for all to admire, and lots of interesting things were offered for sale. Gene and Carol Ransom had many wonderful antique pieces and Leanne Tandy created a lot of excitement with an assortment of vintage hats. Our faire just keeps getting better.

As always, this GMC Western States Rally was filled with non-stop technical seminars, non-stop Joker and Marbling, non-stop fun and friendship. Combine this with wonderful food and drink, a wonderful site in the beautiful Temecula Valley with the excitement of a Las Vegas style hotel and gambling and you have an outstanding rally. Sincere thanks and kudos to our rally masters, Ed and Eileen and Phil and Joanne, our technical people, Gene Fisher and Al Chernoff and all of the people who gave the seminars and all of the rest of us who pitched in, worked, cleaned up, and kept everything running so smoothly. What a group and what a great rally!

To The Ultimate Fitness Group of Temecula:

Thanks to all who participated in our early morning fitness treks! You are appreciated for your efforts, stamina, and support of the Western States Semi-Annual Fitness Program.

We would even have walked on Saturday had it not rained...right, Deo? Don't forget to warm up and get your body ready for action, i.e. march in place, stretch arms and legs, tap your feet, etc. for a few minutes before you start your fitness program. Also remember to cool down gradually afterward.

Let's plan more fun walks this September in CANADA. Have a safe, healthy, and FIT summer!

Freddi Condos

Attendees at Temecula Rally:

John and Jackie Adams, Bellevue, WA
Denny and Fran Allen, Cowichan Bay, BC Canada
Don and Lynne Andrews, Port Ludlow, WA
Chuck and Bernie Augur, La Mesa, CA
Dwight and Ginny Bare, Mesa, AZ
Loren and Virginia Bates, Fountain Valley, CA
George and Carol Baxter, Vashon Island, WA
Gary and Diana Berry, Manteca, CA
Ken and Judy Booth, Lake Havasu City, AZ
Chuck and Mary Botts, San Diego, CA
Jim Bounds, Orlando, FL
Alan and Margaret Bovee, Powell Butte, OR
Bernice Brady and Joe Rubio, San Pedro, CA
Zay and Betty Brand, Seal Beach, CA
Claude Brousseau, Victoria, BC Canada
Francis and Margery Burgess, Hanford, CA
Ed and Emma Burner, Fullerton, CA
Dave and Arlene Cantrell, Rowland Heights, CA
Pat and Sharon Cerrina, La Habra, CA
Al Chernoff, Albuquerque, NM
Mike and Judy Cherry, Prescott, AZ
Don and Lois Claar, Lake Havasu City, AZ
Den and Ann Clark, Gardnerville, NV
John and Bev Clement, Corona, CA
Jim and Jacky Clutter, Lake Elsinore, CA
Frank and Freddi Condos, Ahwahnee, CA
Bob Cook, Redondo Beach, CA
Jim and Joann Cook, Thousand Oaks, CA
Bert and Fay Curtis, Kneeland, CA
Dave and Donna deGraffenried, Costa Mesa, CA
Charlie and Terry Edwards, Oceanside, CA
Duane and Amelia Edwards, La Mesa, CA
Russ and Barbara Ellis, Sun City, CA
Steve and Nancy Ferguson, Spring Valley, CA
Gene and Melissa Fisher, Livermore, CA
Irwin and Ilse Forsche, Burbank, CA
Larry and Barbara Frear, Aptos, CA
Ray and Ellen Gandola, Buena Park, CA
Chuck and Dorris Garton, Ridgecrest, CA
Betty Gaw and Marilyn Maxwell, Atascadero, CA
Bob and Ginger Good, Saratoga, CA
Roy and Karin Gosen, Hacienda Heights, CA
George and Doris Griffith, Lodi, CA
Greta Hayward, Oceanside, CA
Phil and Joanne Hernandez, Fallbrook, CA
John and Margaret Holmes, Surprise, AZ
Bob and Dorothy Hooton, Downey, CA
Stan and Molly Hyman, Burbank, CA
Dallas Jensen, Parksley, VA
Owen and Shannon Johnson, Bridger, MT
Tim and Cass Jones, West Linn, OR
Charlie and Patricia Kanenbley, Anaheim, CA
Jim Kanomata, Belmont, CA
Harold and Bettie Kennedy, Loveland, CO
Dieter and Irene Lange, Riverside, CA
Bob and Raye Lenson, Coronado, CA
Tom and Brenda Lester, La Jolla, CA
Ken and Judy Lierly, Fresno, CA
Bill and Jo Lingrey, Downey, CA
Dave and Beverly Lopez, Altadena, CA
Bob and Ruth Martin, Coronado, CA
Tom and Faylene Mason, Clovis, CA
Joe, Kathryn and Joseph Mayo,
Paul and Gerda McKeehan, West Hills, CA
Mac and Shirley McNeal, Carson, CA
Frank and Jan McQuilliams, San Diego, CA
Gail and Arlene Melugin, Hemet, CA
Loren and Elois Mitchell, Mira Loma, CA

Malcolm and Jeanie Mitchell, Valencia, CA
 John and Allene Morse, Fullerton, CA
 John and Ann Nelson, Westlake Village, CA
 Bob and Elaine Nerrie, Redwood City, CA
 Bob and Pat O'Betz, Vista, CA
 Darren Paget, Calgary, AB Canada
 Michael and Nancy Pellegrino, Auburn, WA
 BeBe and Nancy Pettit, Prescott, AZ
 Win and Jackie Porteous, Camarillo, CA
 Donna Prishmont and Shane Farren, Incline Village, NV
 Gene and Carol Ransom, Grants Pass, OR
 Ray and Marlene Renda, Montclair, CA
 Jerry and June Richardson, Torrance, CA
 Jim and Jeanette Richardson, Solvang, CA
 Gene and Marie Rizzolo, Lodi, CA
 Marilyn Rowland, Venice, CA
 Jim and Audree Rowe, San Dimas, CA
 Gene and Bobbie Schultz, Vista, CA
 Bill and Sandy Scott, Scotts Valley, CA
 Doc and Alice Scott, Santa Barbara, CA
 Ernie and Anne Seth, Glendale, CA
 Bill and Dorothy Shumway, San Jose, CA
 Duane and Billie Simmons, Orange, CA
 Len and Betty Simmons, Rogue River, OR
 Dave Spencer, Chico, CA
 Ed and Eileen Staal, Redondo Beach, CA
 Gene and Sharon Starkey, Lake Havasu City, AZ
 Warren Steinman and Nora Westphal, Sacramento, CA
 John and Darlene Sue, Oakland, CA
 Frank and Norma Sullivan, Sierra Madre, CA
 Dorothy Sunday and Gretchen Casner, Strasburg, CO
 Kerry and Leanne Tandy, Conner, MT
 Terry Taylor, San Lorenzo, CA
 Cal and Roberta Terry, Reseda, CA
 Gary Tollison and Dave Speers, Ventura, CA
 Al and Catherine Topp, Los Osos, CA
 Brian and Joy Tripp, Chula Vista, CA
 Manny and Deo Trovao and Lucinda, Sousa, San Jose, CA
 Marc and Lillian Trubert, Coarsegold, CA
 Roger and Wanda Umber, Albuquerque, NM
 Al and Nan Vinzant, San Diego, CA
 Milt Wade, N. Las Vegas, NV
 Leo Wagniere and Karen McLeod, Sylmar, CA
 Rod and Lee Walling, Palm Desert, CA
 Bucky and Phyllis Walters, Los Osos, CA
 Bill Whipple, Oceanside, CA
 Andrew Wiegel, Mill Valley, CA
 Chuck and Hanna Will, Lompoc, CA
 Dave and Leone Wood, Coronado, CA
 Jerry and Sharon Work, Kerby, OR
 Jack and Helen Wykle, Saratoga, WY

Fall 2005 Rallymaster: Kerry Tandy

Reminders from Rallymaster Denny Allen for US Citizens Entering Canada For Osoyoos Rally:

Entering Canada is nothing to fear. Just answer the Customs Inspectors questions as briefly as you can. If a "yes" or "no" is enough, say no more. Do not attempt to be a comedian. Do not appear to get angry at their questions. Usually it is 5 or 6 questions and you will be free to go.

Two pieces of ID are required for US citizens to enter Canada. Have them ready and hand them to the Customs inspector as you drive up to the kiosk. One must be a picture ID. A visa or passport is not required. Naturalized US citizen require their naturalization certificate. Permanent residents of the US with a "green card" should bring it. If you are other than any of the above, contact Canada Customs for info.

If you intend to bring any children with you, that are not yours, a letter of permission is required from both parents or legal guardians. You may not be asked to show it, but have it with you. This is to protect children!

If you are bringing any items for the swap meet, I suggest you be discreet. If you ask if you can bring items into Canada to sell, the answer will invariably be "no." There is nothing to prevent you from bringing along a few spare parts for the coach. And gifts can be imported if less than \$60 (Can) each.

I suggest you refrain from bringing any fresh fruit, vegetables, or meat (especially chicken). Some of these are allowed but it is always best to be able to say no when asked if you have any. **DO NOT TELL ANY LIES.** If you have any items that they ask about, admit it. If they decide to do a vehicle search and find something you denied having, you could be in trouble.

Do not attempt to bring any weapons, guns, mace, bear spray or recreational drugs. Prescription drugs should be in the containers from the drug store with labels attached. Avoid setting up the weekly dose boxes before crossing the border.

You are permitted to bring 1.5 litre of wine, 1.14 litres of liquor, OR 24 cans of beer (8.5 litres total) per adult person. You are permitted 200 cigarettes and 50 cigars per adult person.

Dogs and cats need signed and dated certificates from a vet verifying rabies shots within the last three years. You may need this to get your pet back into the USA also. If your pet is less than three months old, the certificate is not required but it must be in good health. Do not attempt to bring a pet bird.

Western States Rally Schedule

Fall 2003 Nk'Mip Campground
 (pronounced Inkameep)
 Osoyoos, British Columbia, Canada
 September 15 - 20, 2003
 Rallymaster:
 Denny Allen

Spring 2004 Emerald Desert RV Resort
 Palm Desert, CA
 March 15-20, 2004
 Rallymasters:
 Dave & Donna deGraffenreid

Fall 2004 Albuquerque, NM
 Oct 5 -10, 2004
 Rallymaster: Al Chernoff

For more info contact:
Canada Customs and Revenue Agency
604-666-0545
<http://www.ccra-adrc.gc.ca/customs/menu-e.html>

The above info is what I have learned and is not to be taken as legal advice. Similar rules and regulations apply when you return to the USA.

Credits for Photographs in this issue: Some photographs in this issue were supplied by Ed Staal (ES), Greta Hayward (GH), and Gene Fisher (GF). The pictures of Claude and Frank with the President's message and Secretary's Report were supplied by Marc Trubert. All other photos were taken by Mike or Judy Cherry.

**Did you know that one of our members is a competitive skater?
See Nancy Pettit in the photo below:**
Courtesy Prescott Daily Courier



Before and After

Many of you know that some of our Pacific Cruiser members are on Weight Watchers. Bettie Kennedy sent the editor two pictures of Dave and Arlene Cantrell and Bob and Pat O'Betz. They have lost over 200 pounds among them. The Before picture was taken in early June, 2002 just after the Prescott rally. The After picture was taken 11 months later in early May, 2003 in Temecula, CA. Everyone's health tests have improved. Dave is off his diabetes meds and Arlene's back problems are mostly gone. Wow!

Before:



After:



New Travel Book Available

If you regularly travel US Interstate highways, you should know about the new book called Rest Areas and Welcome Centers. The book identifies rest areas and the amenities available at each one (restrooms, phones, vending machines, dump stations).

In addition, special charts show the location of discount stores like Wal-Mart, K-Mart, Target, and Sam's Club. The book also includes travel centers such as AmBest, Flying J, Love's, Petro, Pilot, Speedway, Travel Centers of America, and Williams.

Rest Areas and Welcome Centers also includes rest area usage rules, phone numbers for road conditions and emergencies, state tourism contacts, clear channel radio stations, and toll-free numbers for hotels and motels across America.

To receive a copy of this 192 page book, send your name, address, and \$9.95 (shipping included) to Roundabout Publications, P.O. Box 19235, Lenexa, KS 66285. Phone 800-455-2207. Web site: www.TravelBooksUSA.com. More information and a sample page of Rest Areas and Welcome Centers is available on the web site.

(Note: Your newsletter editor received an examination copy of this book. She found it easy to use and chock full of useful information for anyone traveling on or near an interstate highway.)

Coaches For Sale

*We welcome your ad. Each ad will be run only 3 times unless you tell us to continue. **Please tell us when your coach has been sold** or if you want to stop the ad before it runs out. The last four digits are the month and year of the expiration date.*
Contact: 928-445-7875 or jcherry@northlink.com

1976 Birchaven 23' - 74,000 original miles. Interior renovated in teak wood. Custom exterior paint. TV, roof air, pod, cook top, microwave (no oven), rear bath, excellent condition, set up for two people, smogged and ready to go. Asking \$25,000.
Bob Philbrick, Riverside, CA 909-683-0565

1003

1977 Palm Beach 26' with 455 engine. Complete new paint job using PPG Series base coat/clear coat. New rub rail with stainless steel end caps. New door seal, running lights and roof vents for holding tanks and refrigerator. New windshields. Zip-Dee awnings, full length, both sides. New stainless steel hot water heater. All new solid oak cabinets throughout. Thorley Tri-Y exhaust headers. New Bilstein shock absorbers. New 3.42 final drive from Cinnabar. Seven new Alcoa forged aluminum wheels with Cooper tires plus one more new tire. Many more good features.
Asking \$26,900 OBO.
Don Swagman, Naples, FL, 239-793-4121, dps4@earthlink.net

1003

1977 Coca Cola 403 engine (fresh 455 available). Wallace hubs, Bilstein shocks, Caspro powerdrive, steering box, front stabilizer. Flowmasters. Alcoa wheels w/ Goodyears. Rear hitch. Roof ladder, storage pod, A & E awnings. Electric step. Recent custom base coat, clear coat repaint in 3 silver tones. Original red interior. Two roof airs, pleated shades, microwave, Norcold 3-way refig. Always garaged. Many happy miles spent in this coach. Asking \$24,000.

Don Klusman, Scottsdale, AZ 480-585-5599

0204

1978 Custom 26' 455 engine, port fuel injection, turbocharged, 3 air, rear disk brakes, Tru-Trac with 4 air bag rear suspension, 16" aluminum wheels with 245/75 Goodyears, macerator, custom interior, Levelor blinds with valances, laminate floor, 40 gal. gray water tank under 80" rear bed. Much more. Call for an extensive list of upgrades and modifications. \$29,500 OBO. Seller: Ralph Brumbaugh, Wasilla, AK (907) 373-3726. Coach is in Missouri with Ralph's son Jonny Brumbaugh at (606) 747-3353. He can show the coach and has all the details about it.

0604

1975 Glenbrook 26' 455 engine with 22,065 original miles. Updated in 2001 and 2002 including: dash air compressor, belts/hoses, 1 roof bubble, 1 Fantastic Fan, Daylight window shades, new captain and passenger chairs, new upholstery, new carpet, burnished welcome step, macerator. Original owner's manual included plus detailed list of specific items checked and updated from 2000 to 2002 (including money spent on them!) Asking \$20,000 OBO. Contact T.A. or Michelle Heckel in Fresno, CA. (559) 275-0844 or (559) 307-7227.

0604

The GMC Western States Inc, chapter of the Family Motor Coach Association, is comprised of GMC Motorhome owners from all fifty states and the three southwestern provinces of Canada. The Chapter purpose is to promote the preservation of the GMC Motorhome with a technical program of professional seminars and published information and to further the mutual association, membership, enjoyment and common interest of GMC Motorhome owners, their families and friends. Website: "www.gmcws.org", **Billy and Debbie Massey**

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Overview of Vendors' Row ES



Joann, Joanne, and Nancy Do Flowers GF



Rallymasters -The Staals and Hernandezes GH



Playing Jokers and Marbles



Angelo Ragusa's New Screen Door



Toby Maki Records Seminars GF



Duane Simmons' Onan Demo



Al Helps Chuck With His "Baby"



Jim Bounds Presenting GF



Denny Allen Installing Macerator



1st Timers Brian and Joy Tripp



1st Timers Dieter and Irene Lange



1st Timers Tom and Faylene Mason



1st Timers Jerry and Sharon Work



1st Timers John and Margaret Holmes



1st Timers Paul and Gerda McKeehan



The Jewelry Workshop



Judy and Carol Wearing Their Jewels



Diana, Irene, and Donna Share Their Jewels



Many Beautiful Baubles



Audree, Jim, and Bev Ready For Tea



Sharon and Pat Cerrina Lookin' Good



Jeanette and Win Consulting GH



Betty Brand and Freddi Condos GH



Claude and Audree at Tea GH



Carol Ransom in Full Regalia



Morning Walkers with Freddi



Frank and Jan McQuilliams GH



Gary Tollison's Unusual Coach



Decked Out in Jackets by Sharon Cerrina



Swap Meet



Denny Allen, our next Rallymaster