

## Mardi Gras in Moultrie

March, 2011

### Rally Wrap up

Talk about "Let'n the Good Times Roll!" If you didn't attend the Mardi Gras in Moultrie Rally this past month you really missed a great event! The vendors were open on Monday with no other activities planned except the "Grand Parade and Reception" beginning at 5 PM. The parade route was lined with shouting spectators....all with their arms in the air trying to catch those sparkly beads. There were some great entries in the parade, with Rich & Alexis Grega taking the first prize for their extremely well decorated scooters.....they even decorated themselves! We had golf carts, motorcycles, antique cars, the large Alliance Coach parts truck and a tally ho wagon loaded with the officers and fun loving MI members. The Grand Parade ended at the Reception where it seems everyone was "loaded"... with beads.

The rally opened with super weather, lots of vendors, new coaches to tour, and seminars to attend. The evening brought a super meal followed by "Big Mike and his Band." They had the crowd on their feet from the beginning when they started out with the traditional Mardi Gras Anthem....."When the Saints Go Marching In." Everyone almost danced their "beads off."

Our Chili Cook-Off was a great success, we had two winners tied for first; Laura Wyatt, and Rocky Rahkola. Monaco LLC treated all to a Chili and Burger lunch as the judges sat on stage and tasted all the Cook Off entries. One of the tallest judges, from Oregon, (not mentioning any names here) told us the next day he didn't sleep all night, and went thru a bottle of Tums!!!

The Ladies Luncheon was awesome! The ladies in hats were a sight to behold. The dessert was beyond belief.....Bananas Foster prepared as they are in the true Mardi Gras City, New Orleans. The Crafts were the best ever! From crystal jewelry to one stroke painting, there was something for all the ladies to enjoy.

From the Cajun Comedian to the Karaoke on the last night we were well entertained. In the past the rallies were judged by how much weight each person gained.....from all indications this was a "10 pound rally!"

Commemorative photos were taken of each couple, and placed in a specially designed frame for all to take with them as a memento of our own special Mardi Gras. We have some frames left if anyone didn't get one or would like an extra one. Available on a first come basis....contact: dicknancywolfe@aol.com or 941-704-4455.

Last but not least....we are very proud to say we left a big foot print in Moultrie. We raised and donated \$5,836 dollars and boxes of supplies that were badly needed. Our Community Support project was the Serenity House, a facility that houses at risk women and children. We appreciate the generosity of our members on behalf of this very worthwhile project.

Be a part of all the fun, food and fellowship.....plan to attend the next Monaco International Pre-rally in Manitowoc, Wisconsin, look for the application and further information in this newsletter and on our web site:

[www.monacointernationalrvclub.com](http://www.monacointernationalrvclub.com)

Dick & Nancy Wolfe, Your Rally Masters

