# ROYALE COACH CLUB FALL RALLY – SEPTEMBER 7-13, 2011 "COWBOY COUNTRY AND YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK"

A "Rolling Rally" from Cody, Wyoming to West Yellowstone, Montana





**Cody, Wyoming** was founded in 1896 by the living legend, Colonel William F. "Buffalo Bill" Cody, who at the age of 41 was one of the most famous men in the world. Cody, known for his exploits as Pony Express rider, scout, hunter, entrepreneur and showman, had become the friend of presidents and kings, senators and governors and many of the country's most influential business people as a result of his genius and showmanship. Cody's "Buffalo Bill's Wild West Show," toured for thirty years, and captivated audiences around the world. Cody continues to retain the true "cowboy country" atmosphere today.

**Yellowstone National Park**, America's first national park, declared a national park in 1872 by the U.S. Congress, contains more than two million acres of steaming geysers, crystalline lakes, thundering waterfalls, panoramic vistas, and a remarkable diversity of wildlife. Yellowstone National Park has attracted visitors from virtually every state and country ...And we are proud of the national treasure that is Yellowstone.

Cody, Wyoming and Yellowstone National Park are beckoning you to come to the Royale Coach Club's Fall Rally in September 2011. **Here's what's in store**:

Arrival will be at the **Ponderosa Campground** in Cody, Wyoming. We will spend three nights in Cody - September 7, 8, and 9. While in Cody, you will have the unforgettable experience to wrap yourself in the spirit of the American West at the world famous **Buffalo Bill Historical Center** (BBHC). The BBHC is affiliated with the Smithsonian Institution and is literally five museums under one roof – the Buffalo Bill Museum, the Natural History Museum, the Cody Firearms Museum (containing the largest collection of American firearms in the world), the Plains Indian Museum, and the Whitney Gallery of Western Art...there's something for everyone. Following an honest-to-goodness gunfight in the streets of Cody, we will have dinner at the historic Irma Hotel, founded by Buffalo Bill in 1902, and be entertained by the Dan Miller Cowboy Music Revue, a Branson-style music variety show, featuring authentic music of the American West, cowboy poetry and comedy with a variety of traditional western, bluegrass, and gospel music. Another evening we will dine (and dance if you want to) at Cassie's, where entrepreneur Cassie Waters established a business in 1922 (and you can figure out what kind of business a female entrepreneur offered in the rough and tumble west in the 1920's!!). You'll have a mostly free day on the 9<sup>th</sup> to explore other sights in and around Cody. We'll provide some suggestions, such as driving the scenic Beartooth Highway north of Cody, which the late CBS correspondent Charles Kuralt called "the most beautiful drive in America" on his TV

show "On The Road;" **shoppin**g on Cody's quaint downtown main street; or returning to the Buffalo Bill Historical Center if you didn't get your fill the day before (your admission is good for two days).

On September 10, we will unplug our power cords and depart Cody to drive to West Yellowstone, Montana, **through Yellowstone National Park**, going in the East entrance and out the West entrance. This is a 135 mile drive, but the portion thru the Park itself - about 83 miles - is slow going. You'll only average 30-35 miles an hour, so plan for the drive to take you a good four hours. **THIS IS IMPORTANT** – If you are 62 years of age or older, you may already have a **Golden Age Passport**, (**now called the National Parks Pass**) which costs \$10 and gives you free admission to all National Parks and Monuments. **PLEASE BRING IT WITH YOU**. If you don't have one, it can be purchased at the Park Entrance. If you are not 62 years old, the Park Entrance Fee is \$25 (good for seven days) and these fees are NOT included in your Rally Fee.

We will stay at **Grizzly RV Park** in West Yellowstone, Montana, spending the nights of September 10, 11, and 12. In West Yellowstone, you will enjoy a guided tour of the **Grizzly and Wolf Discovery Center** and see these amazing critters in excellent recreations of their natural habitat. We will visit the **IMAX Theater** to see a movie about Yellowstone, and you can return to see movies about Lewis and Clark and Amazing Caves if you wish, plus there is additional free time that afternoon in West Yellowstone to explore on your own. On Monday, September 12 we will board Prevost buses for a **guided tour into Yellowstone National Park**, with stops at such world famous sites as Old Faithful and the Yellowstone Falls. One evening will include **The Pine Cone Playhouse Dinner Theater**, to see a "**GI Juke Box Musical**," promising music and fun from the 40's, 50's and 60's (right up our alley, eh??). Our "farewell dinner" will be a **Western BBQ**, before you say good-bye to your Royale Coach Club friends.

The Rally Masters for the Fall Rally are Terry and Kathy Solberg, who live in Cody, Wyoming. The Rally is limited to no more than 35 coaches, due to limitations on available RV sites at the campground. If you plan to come to Cody before the rally or stay in West Yellowstone after the rally, you will need to make your own reservations directly with the Ponderosa Campground (307-587-9203) or the Grizzly RV Park (406-646-4466). If you tell them you are coming for the Royale Coach Club Rally, they will honor the rally rates. September is still VERY BUSY in Cody and West Yellowstone, so don't assume you can make a reservation at the last minute...call early. Rally Registrations are due no later than August 1, 2011. You will not need any "dress-up" clothes, but bring your jeans, boots, and cowboy hats if you want to. All of the venues mentioned have websites, so you can "google" any of them for more information. Once you register, we'll send you more information about other sights and activities in the Cody and West Yellowstone areas, to fill up your "free time." If you have any questions, call or email Terry and Kathy at any time (307-587-3369 or tsolberg@tctwest.net.)

#### **AGENDA**

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#### Wednesday, September 7

All Day - Arrival and Registration at Ponderosa Campground in Cody, WY

5:00 – Assemble in Ponderosa Campground for welcome/orientation from Rally Masters and from Skip Richardson, owner of Ponderosa Campground – BYOB

6:30 - Dinner at Cassie's Restaurant

#### Thursday, September 8

7:45 – 9:00 – Breakfast Buffet at Sunset House

9:00 - Cody Trolley Tour (for half of attendees)

11:00 – Cody Trolley Tour (for other half of attendees)

Throughout the rest of the day - Tour the 5 museums of the Buffalo Bill Historical Center

6:00 - Gunfight - Irma Hotel

6:30 - Prime Rib Buffet Dinner at Irma Hotel

8:00 – Dan Miller Cowboy Music Revue

#### Friday, September 9

7:45 – 9:00 – Breakfast Buffet at Sunset House

9:00 – 10:30 – Royale Coach Club Business Meeting – Sunset House

Rest of the day – free day. Friday evening potluck is an option – rally attendees to decide.

#### Saturday, September 10

 ${\bf 8:00\ or\ later\ -\ Move\ from\ Cody,\ WY\ to\ West\ Yellowstone,\ MT\ -\ Drive\ thru\ Yellowstone}$ 

National Park (we'll provide you the route) – allow at least four hours

Arrive at Grizzly RV Park in West Yellowstone, MT

6:00 – Dinner at Pine Cone Playhouse

7:30 – "GI Jukebox" Musical at Pine Cone Playhouse

#### Sunday, September 11

10:00 Tour of Grizzly and Wolf Discovery Center

12:00 - IMAX Theater to see film "Yellowstone"

Rest of the day - free day.

#### Monday, September 12

8:00 - Buses depart Grizzly RV Park for guided tour of Yellowstone National Park

4:00 - Return from Yellowstone to Grizzly RV Park

6:30 – Farewell Dinner at Holiday Inn

#### Tuesday, September 13

Depart Grizzly RV Park in West Yellowstone, MT at your leisure

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This rally is limited to 35 coaches due to the RV Park sites available Registration Deadline - August 1, 2011

Date	FMCA#	E-mail		
Last Name	His first	Her f	ïrst	
Mailing Address				
City	State	Zip	·	
Home Phone		Cell Phone		
	Royale Coach Club Rally?			
Any special requests? (di	ietary, handicap, etc.)			
Choices for Dinner at Ca	assie's (indicate number) S	teak Salmon	Chicken	
	al Park Bus Tour on Sept 1 pet sitter?		•	

Please make check payable to "Royale Coach Club"
Mail to: Terry Solberg, 65 Tapadero Lane, Cody, WY 82414
Registration and Rally Fees are Due by August 1, 2011

Rally Fee for Coach and Two People	\$940.00
Rally Fee for Coach and One Person	\$690.00
Rally Fee for Guest Coach and Two People	\$975.00
Rally Fee for Extra Person in Coach	\$250.00
Amount Enclosed	