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Future SEA (Southeast Area) Rally

www.seafmca.org

SEA President—Betty Duncan email<u>:bettyhduncan@fmca.com</u> SEA Georgia VP - Patricia Voyna <u>pfvoyna@marvsdiesel.com</u> SEA Rally - Feb. 5-8, 2020 Lakeland, Florida

Future FMCA International Convention

Summer August 14-17, 2019 - Minot, SD

Winter March 26-29, 2020 – Tucson, AZ

- * Summer 2020 Rock Springs, WY
- * Winter 2021 Perry, GA
- * Summer 2021 Gillette, WY or St, Paul, MN
- * Winter 2022 Tucson, AZ
- * Summer 2022 Rock Springs, WY
- * Winter 2023 Perry, GA
- * Summer 2023 Sedalia, MO or Gillette, WY
- * Summer 2024 Syracuse, NY
- * = Contingent on successful contract negotiations.

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October 4-6 Twin Oaks RV Park, Elko, GA Bowman, Hollis

November 1-3 Lake Pines RV Park, Midland (Columbus), GA Duren, Young

December 6-8 Fort Yargo State Park, Winder, GA *Officers*

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January 4 – Luncheon, Marieeta Diner *Espositos*

February 1 – Luncheon, Peachtree Airport, Downwind Restaur *Moremans, Simons*

Luncheon – Lakeland, Florida

Voyna

March 6-8 April 3-5

May 1-3 - Renfo, KY w/extended trip

Rankins, Ralstons, McCoys

June 5-7

July 3-5

August 7-9

September 4-6 – TBD

Youngs, Jones

October 2-4 – Murphy, NC

Carlyle, Mallory, Hamiltons

November 6-8 - TBD

Grubas

December 4-6 – TBD

Officers



PRESIDENTS CORNER - September 2019

By Doug Ralston

Summer is nearly over and I'm looking forward to moving into fall. Football, cooler weather, God's magnificent colors displayed by the leaves...the best time to camp all year long for Brenda and me.

Brenda an I have found ourselves in Massachusetts for several weeks, staying in the Plymouth area. You never know when you might run into other PST members, and tonight was one of those occasions. We had an enjoyable dinner tonight with Jim and Joyce Duren. Saw they were in New England on Facebook, gave them a call and we are in separate campgrounds about 30 minutes apart! Always good to see folks from "home".

Sounds like folks are making reservations for the next few rallies, so be sure to let the host know of your plans.

Be sure to get out and enjoy all that Fall has to offer before that cold winter air forces us to winterize motorhomes and trailers.

See you in October. Doug

NATIONAL DIRECTOR REPORT

By Patricia Voyna

I am sorry, no convention reports this month. We have left my brother at his new place of residence for the next 60 days while he does daily radiation for his cancer in his neck. Things got all changed around.

His surgery to remove his esophagus, using his stomach to build a new one. Is done. They decided to do that first. We put him on the Morinda, Tahitian Noni, cancer protocol as soon as we found out he had cancer. The surgery to replace his esophagus was supposed to have in in the hospital for 2-3 weeks. The surgent said everything went so well on his recuperation, and sent him home after 10 days and told him to get back on his Noni and Morinda CBD and stay with the protocol. Even when he can't swallow anymore from his radiation, take it through his feeding tube. So far everything is going well and we are on our way to Florida.

We are bringing in all our captains and teams needed for the Southeast Area Rally in Lakeland, FL February 2-5, 2020. The officers will be staying a week to continue working and visiting business around for their support. Hope to see you all in November. Have fun at the Fair in October.

SECRETARY REPORT- September 2019

By Kenlyn Sawyer

The September 12 - 14, 2019 rally was held at the Mountain View Campground in Hiawassee, GA. Hosts was Doug and Brenda Ralston and Carole and Kenlyn Sawyer. There was a total of 14 people in attendance for the weekend. Names of those in attendance are at the end of this report.

There was no formal meeting during the weekend.

Announcements were made for upcoming rallies.

Upcoming rallies:

October 4 – 6, 2019 - Twin Oaks RV Park, Elko, GA

(Bowman, Hollis)

November 1 – 3, 2019 - Columbus, GA (Duren, Young)
December 6 – 8, 2019 - Fort Yargo State Park, Winder, GA

PST Officers

Please contact Wiley Bowman to sign up for 2020 rallies. Reminder, all members after their first year should host or cohost a rally.

 $MEMBERS:\ Hollenbeck;\ McCoy;\ Oswood;\ Ralston;\ Sawyer;$

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VISITORS: Virginia Haddad; Debbie Hollenbeck; Martha

Perdue

RALLY REPORT – September 2019

By Doug Ralston

The September 2019 Music in the Mountains Rally was held at the Mountain View Campground, Hiawassee, GA. Six coaches were represented by Hollenbeck, Oswood, McCoy, Taylor, Sawyer and Ralston. Eric Oswood's friend Martha was back again and Wanda Hollenbeck's daughter Debora and Wanda's sister Virginia (from California) were also in attendance. It was also special to see Buck and Jan Taylor, as they have been living in Florida and unable to attend rallies for some time.

For those arriving on Wednesday, the host provided fried chicken along with sliced tomatoes, to fix tomato sandwiches, a casserole and cookies for desert. The McCoy's contributed potato salad to the array of food. Even a heavy rain while we were under the tin roofed pavilion didn't dampen the apatite of those present.

The remainder of the weekend was devoted to concerts performed by various artist with Dailey & Vincent serving as the "host" stars of the show. The cast of performers included: Chuck Wagon Gang; Flatt Lonesome; Primitive Quartet; Terry Baucom and the Dukes of Drive; Bellamy Brothers; Oak Ridge Boys; Kentucky Just Us; Malpass Brothers; and Josh Turner.

I must say, the Malpass Brothers seemed to be the crowd's favorite performers for their musical talent and overall entertaining qualities. They were in control of the audience with their fine-tuned humor and variety of music, often sounding like the recording artist of songs they sang.

Sunday morning, we gathered, along with other campers in the campground for donuts and discussions of upcoming events.

SUNSHINE REPORT – September 2019

By Wanda Hollenbeck

Elizabeth Harris passed away on September 11. I believe the service was on September 14 while we were out of town for the rally.

Kenlyn Sawyer

Here is her daughter's address if anyone wants to send a card:

Marie Harris 928 Santa Anita Drive Woodstock, GA 30189

TREASURES'S REPORT August 2019

By: Terry Carlyle

Beginning Balance 07/08/2019 \$\$1

\$\$1,701.05



Receipts:

New Members - Castor 15.00

Disbursements:

Ending Balance 07-08-2019

\$1,716.05

Birthdays

09-05 – Brenda Ralston 09-25 – Gary Bray



Anniversaries

09-05 – Gene & Beth Richardson

09-21 – Jim & Joyce Duren

09-25 – Dennis & Terri Jones

09-29 - Mike & Judy Hughes



Gas



Only in Panama City, I walked into Tom Thumb to get a drink and as I walked up, I noticed these 2 police officers watching a woman who was smoking while pumping her gas. I saw her and thought, is this lady stupid, crazy, or both, especially with the police standing RIGHT there. But anyways, I

minded my own business and went inside and got my drink. As I was paying for my drink, I heard someone screaming!! Like I'm talking violent death screams!! I looked outside and I saw that this woman's arm was on fire!! She was swinging her arm, running around going nuts!! It was like she hit the hyper combo move while button mashing on street fighter. When I got outside, the police had the woman on the ground and they were putting the fire out!! Then they put handcuffs on her and threw her in the police car. I was thinking, arrested?? Shouldn't she be in an ambulance, not a police car?? And being the nosy person that I am, I asked the police what they were arresting her for. The officer looked at me serious, and said, "WAVING A FIRE ARM"!! Now I want to know which of you actually read this to the end.



BLONDE JOKE THAT YOU'VE NEVER HEARD BEFORE

After becoming very frustrated with the attitude of one of the shopkeepers, the young blonde declared, 'Well, then, maybe I'll just go out and catch my own alligator and get a pair of alligator shoes for free!'

The shopkeeper replied with a sly smile, 'Well, little lady, why don't you go give it a try?'

The blonde headed off to the swamp, determined to catch an alligator. Later in the day, the shopkeeper was driving home and spotted the young woman standing waist-deep in the murky water, shotgun in hand.

He saw a huge 9-foot gator swimming rapidly toward her. With lightning reflexes, the blond took aim, shot the creature and hauled it up onto the slippery bank.

Nearby were 7 more dead gators all lying belly up. The shopkeeper watched in amazement as the blond struggled with the gator. Then, rolling her eyes, she screamed in frustration......

"CRAP!! THIS ONE'S BAREFOOT TOO!!!"

We were out burning ditches when my husband got stung on the forehead by a bee.

He's in the ER now... Face all swollen and bruised. He almost died.

He was very lucky because I was close enough to swat the bee off with my shovel.

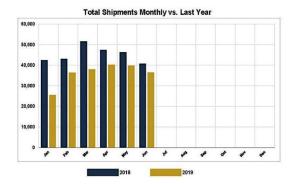
Unanswered Questions



I'm 57 & 10 months old and I have realized I still have so many unanswered questions! I never found out who let the dogs out... the way to get to Sesame Street... why Dora doesn't just use Google Maps... why we don't ever see the headline "Psychic Wins Lottery"... why women

can't put on mascara with their mouth closed... why "abbreviated" is such a long word... why lemon juice is made with artificial flavor yet dish-washing liquid is made with real lemons... why they sterilize the needle for lethal injections... and, why do you have to "put your two cents in" but it's only a "penny for your thoughts" where's that extra penny going to... why do The Alphabet Song and Twinkle Twinkle Little Star have the same tune... why did you just try to sing those two previous songs... and just what is Victoria's secret? Why do we drive on parkways and park in driveways.?

...and do you really think I am this witty ?? ... I actually stole this from a friend who stole it from a friend of her brother's girlfriend's Uncle's cousin's, baby mamma's Doctor...Now it is your turn to steal it from me.



RV shipments continue to slide

RV shipments continued to slide in June as they have every month so far this year. The RV Industry Association's June survey of manufacturers

Reminders for handling sanitary hoses

Have you considered how unsanitary the ground may be around the water, sewer, and electrical hookups at RV parks? Accidental sewage spills, leaking sewer hoses, and careless flushing of sewer hoses have contaminated most sites. Consider this when you roll up the water hose and drag it along the ground in that area. Keep the male end off the ground and start rolling from that end, as the female end is less likely to pass the contamination into the hose. Sanitize the hose and ends frequently with a solution of ¼-cup household bleach to one quart of water, using a spray bottle.

Always thread the ends together to keep out crawling creatures, and be sure to wash your hands. Bill Hendrix, F761S • Erie, CO

Glove up for RV dumping



I used to empty my sewer tanks bare handed. I didn't like wearing the traditional type dish gloves because they are too bulky and I wasn't crazy about latex gloves because they would easily tear. A few years ago I was strolling down the aisles at Harbor

Freight (a tool store) when I noticed nitrile disposable gloves. Since I was building kitchen cabinets for my sister-in-law I decided to pick up a box for working with stain and varnish.



These gloves are thin enough that your sense of touch is not hindered and tough enough to stand up to mild chemical exposure. I liked them so much I decided to keep a box near my sewer clean-out compartment. Now I

glove up before dumping and peel off the gloves and toss them into the trash when I'm done. They are coated with powder so they are easy to slip on and off. I like the extra-large size even though I normally wear size large because putting them on is easier.

You can also use these gloves for changing oil, painting, washing, waxing and many other applications.

Working with RVers hand-in-glove. —*Jim Twamley, Professor of RVing*

Trivia Question

Thanks, Betty Duncan

The owner of a magnificent 1956 Chevrolet convertible, wrote to say he had restored the car to perfection over the last few years, and sent this.

On a very warm summer afternoon he decided to take his car to town It needed gas, as the gauge was practically on empty, but he wanted ice cream, so he headed first to his favorite ice cream shop. He had trouble finding a parking space and had to park the car down a side street. He noticed a group of young guys standing around smoking cigarettes and eyeing the car rather covetously. He was a bit uneasy leaving it there, but people often take interest in such an old and well-preserved car, so he went off to enjoy his ice cream.

The line at the ice cream shop was long and it took him quite a while to return to his car. When he did, his worst fears were realized... his car was gone. He called the police and reported the theft.

About ten minutes later the police called him to say they had found the car abandoned near a gas station a few miles out of town. It was unharmed and he was relieved. It seems just before he called, the police had received a call from a young woman who was an employee at a self-service gas station. She told them that three young men had driven in with this beautiful old convertible. One of them came to the window and prepaid for 20dollars worth of gas. Then all three of them walked around the car. Then they all got in the car and drove off, without filling the tank.

The question is, why would anybody steal a car, pay for gas that they never pumped and then abandon the car later and walk away?

They couldn't find where to put the gas! Old people would know this!











Join us for a Hippie Holiday celebrating 50 years since Woodstock.

We'll enjoy the Carnival Atmosphere while attending the Georgia State Fair in Perry as part of our entertainment! You're encouraged to bring along your Coolest props and Grooviest lights to decorate your Rolling Pads. Then plan to dress in your Hip-pest outfits (remember bell-bottoms, tie-dye, peasant blouses and love beads) and join in a Peace, Love and Rock'n'Roll Saturday Dine and Dance Night. More details later but for now – make your reservations!

Where: Twin Oaks RV Park, Elko, GA
305 Georgia 26 East, Elko, GA 31025
Phone: 478-987-9361 for Reservations
(Please tell them you are with PST)
30/50 AMP \$28.00/night
www.twinoaksrvpark.com

Hosts: Wiley Bowman and Jim & Jan Hollis

Most you already know this little family-owned park located 2/10 mile EAST off of I-75 at Mile Marker 127, 8 miles south of downtown Perry.

16 sites are being held until September 15th in an area near the office and clubhouse.

And remember to let your hosts know you are coming:

Hosts: Wiley @ 770-880-2151 or wileybow@gmail.com OR

Jim & Jan @ 770-354-6673 or Jan @ hjn19609@gmail.com



November 1-3, 2019 Agenda





Friday night: Caravan to local restaurant

<u>Saturday afternoon</u>: Bowling in Columbus (approximate cost is \$10 for 2 hours bowling + shoes)

Saturday night: Dinner provided by hosts with entertainment following

Sunday morning: Breakfast provided by hosts

*Weather permitting – campfires at night with good fellowship.

*Weather not permitting – good fellowship indoors around the fireplace!

Rally fee: \$15/per person

NOTE: Campground is holding spots for us until <u>October 1st.</u> Nightly rate is \$36. Please call soon and reserve your spot! Be sure to let them know you are with PST.

Rally hosts: Ted & Darlene Young, and Jim & Joyce Duren. Contact us if you have any questions.



Friday - Yet to be planned

Saturday - Caravan to Boyd & Terry Carlyle's home for a Southern home cooked dinner

Sunday - On your own since campground is spread out

<u>Campground Reservations</u> - We will be camping in "Campground #1". Suggested sites include 13 thru 27 which are along the same street. Also, sites 2 thru 4 are close by and sites 5 thru 12 can also work. To make your reservation you must visit **GaStateParks.org/fortyargo** or call 1-800-864-7275.

New check-in location: Fort Yargo State Park has a new visitor's center and new entrance. We are requesting all guests to check-in at the new visitor center location which is 1/4 of a mile south of the old entrance. The park address will remain the same, but the GPS coordinates of the new visitor center are as follows: Latitude 33.9842 Longitude -83.7335). Thank you for choosing Fort Yargo State Park. We look forward to your arrival.

Fort Yargo State Park: now offers Site-Specific Camping! As of October 4, 2018, you can book your reservation for a specific campsite here at Fort Yargo State Park. Please remember to pay close attention to which site you are choosing during your reservation booking!

Getting There:

GPS Info. (Latitude, Longitude): 33.97167, -83.72722 33°58'18"N, 83°43'38"W

Fort Yargo State Park is located one mile south of Winder on Georgia Highway 81.

Contact Information:

Mailing Address:

Fort Yargo State Park 210 South Broad Street WINDER GA 30680

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IN GOD WE TRUST

