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Future FMCA International Convention

Winter 2021 – March 10-13 Perry, GA

Summer 2021 – July 7-10, Gillette, WY

Winter 2022 – March 23-26, 2022, Tucson, AZ

* Summer 2022 – Lincoln, Nebr. or Sedalia, MO

Winter 2023 – March 15-18, Perry, GA

* Summer 2023 – Sedalia, MO or Lincoln, Nebr.

Summer 2024 – July 17-20, Gillette, WY

Summer 2027 – July 14-17, Gillette, WY

* = Contingent on successful contract negotiations.

Just a quick reminder, please make sure to drop your 2021 PST dues - only \$10/RV to Terry Carlyle.

Terry Carlyle
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Thanks!

December 15, 2020 - Memo

Dear PST Members,

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Wiley Bowman

2021 RALLY HOSTS

Wagon Master –



* Weekend different from 1st weekend.

**Special rally due to distance from Atlanta

###Our Bylaws require members to host a rally. Ideally, three couples should be able to manage a great rally weekend.

January – Happy New Year

February 6 – TBD near Loganville, GA
Gruba

March 10-13 TBD Perry Convention
Voyna

April 2-4

May 7-9 –

June 4-6

July 2-4

August 6-8 – Rabun Gap – INFO TO FOLLOW
Esposito

September 3-5

October 1-3

November 5-7

December 3-5 – TBD

Officers

PRESIDENTS CORNER – December 2020

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NATIONAL DIRECTOR REPORT

By Patricia Voyna

See November for the attachments on Covid Release, FMCassist, etc.

SECRETARY REPORT-December 2020

By Kenlyn Sawyer

The December 2020 Luncheon Rally was held at the Bay Breeze Restaurant in Marietta, GA on December 5, 2020. Hosts were the Peach State Officers Wiley Bowman, Tori Bray, Terry Carlyle and Kenlyn Sawyer. There was a total of 23 people in attendance for the luncheon. There were 4 RV's camping at Allatoona Landing Campground in Cartersville, GA. Names of those in attendance are at the end of this report.

President Wiley Bowman started the meeting by welcoming the members and the guests: Richard and Denise Ramsey and Carolyn Ayers.

President Bowman thanked Terri Jones for her service and dedication as the Wagon Master for 2020. Terri has turned in her resignation so that she and Dennis can travel in 2021.

Send your 2021 PST dues to Terry Carlyle.

Discussion was held regarding upcoming rallies.

Upcoming rallies – **Please contact your hosts to confirm your attendance.**

January 9, 2021 - TBD

February 6, 2021 - TBD near Loganville, GA – Ed & Libba Gruba

March 10-13, 2021 - FMCA Rally in Perry, GA

Please contact Wagon Master, Terri Jones or Wiley Bowman to sign up for a 2021 rally.

MEMBERS AT LUNCHEON: Bennett; Bowman; Bray; Cowan; Esposito; Hollis; Jones; Loudermilk; McCoy; Oswood; Sawyer; Voyna;

GUESTS AT LUNCHEON: Carolyn Ayers; Richard and Denise Ramsey

MEMBERS CAMPING: Bray; Sawyer; Voyna

GUESTS CAMPING: Richard and Denise Ramsey

RALLY REPORT –December 2020

By Patricia Voyna



The Rally with campers at Altoona Landing Resort started Friday evening with dinner at Henry's Louisiana Grill in Acworth. The food and company were remarkable. Campers - Bray; Sawyer; Voyna, Pats brother and his wife from Missouri, Richard and Denise Ramsey.

Saturday, we joined other PST for lunch at Bay Breeze Restaurant in Marietta. Then some of us ventured to shop or sight see. Later that day at night fall, those of us at the campground decided we were too tired to check out the lights at Lake Lanier or Life College.

Kenlyn picked up breakfast at Micky D's. We took advantage of their 2 for \$4.00 sandwiches. She delivered them to our coaches. The rec room at the campground was not available because they were putting in a new floor.

Thank-you Kenlyn and Carol for hosting our campout. We had fun regardless of the weather.

SUNSHINE REPORT – November 2020

By Wanda Hollenbeck

12-8 Brenda is in the hospital and I am sending their address to send her a card:

525 Old Path Crossing, Roswell, GA 30075.

Sending prayers for a speedy recovery.

Wanda Hollenbeck, Sunshine Chairperson

Just a quick update...Brenda came home from the hospital on Friday afternoon and is now recovering under the watchful eyes of Annie and Doug. Thank you for the continued prayers.



TREASURES'S REPORT November 2019

By: Terry Carlyle

Beginning Balance 02-08-2020 \$2,073.39



Receipts:

February Rally	4.00
March Rally	65.51
Dues	40.00

Disbursements:

Tripp Flowers	159.00
Annual Corp. Registration	30.00

Ending Balance 02-08-2020 \$1,993.90

REMEMBER EVERYONE MUST FILL OUT RALLY REPORTS AND SEND THEM TO ME. YOU MUST ALSO SEND RECEIPTS FOR EXPENSES!!!!!!!!!!!!
PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU KEEP UP WITH THE RECEIPTS!!!!

Birthdays

- 12-04 – Patricia Voyna
- 12-17 – Darlene Young
- 12-22 – TJ Cooke
- 12-26 – Debbie Carmack
- 12-26 – David Stainback
- 12-27 – Mary Ann Miller
- 12-31 – Susie Hamilton



Anniversaries

- 12-06 – Ed & Libba Gruba
- 12-07 – Don & Donna Loudermilk
- 12-13 – Phil & Julia Newton
- 12-16 – Jim & Barb Watson
- 12-26 – David & Myra Stainback



NOTES

Doug McCoy is trying to sell his motorhome. Call him for details

And, I believe, He still is. Amazed in His presence... .humbled by His love. HAVE A BLESSED CHRISTMAS SEASON!
Shared by Mary Ann Miller



The "W" in Christmas

Each December, I vowed to make Christmas a calm and peaceful experience. I had cut back on nonessential obligations - extensive card writing, endless baking, decorating, and even overspending. Yet still, I found myself exhausted, unable to appreciate the precious family moments, and of course, the true meaning of Christmas.

My son, Nicholas, was in kindergarten that year. It was an exciting season for a six-year-old. For weeks, he'd been memorizing songs for his school's "Winter Pageant." I didn't have the heart to tell him I'd be working the night of the production. Unwilling to miss his shining moment, I spoke with his teacher. She assured me there'd be a dress rehearsal the morning of the presentation.

All parents unable to attend that evening were welcome to come then. Fortunately, Nicholas seemed happy with the compromise. So, the morning of the dress rehearsal, I filed in ten minutes early, found a spot on the cafeteria floor and sat down. Around the room, I saw several other parents quietly scampering to their seats.

As I waited, the students were led into the room. Each class, accompanied by their teacher, sat cross-legged on the floor. Then, each group, one by one, rose to perform their song.

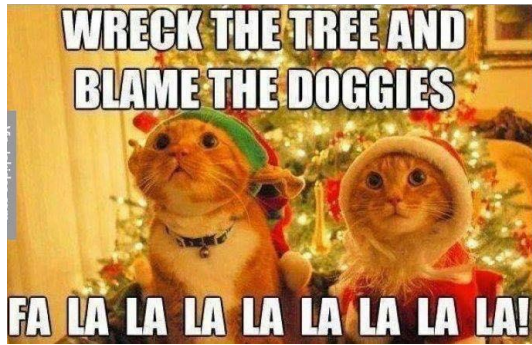
Because the public school system had long stopped referring to the holiday as "Christmas," I didn't expect anything other than fun, commercial entertainment songs of reindeer, Santa Claus, snowflakes and good cheer. So, when my son's class rose to sing, Christmas Love," I was slightly taken aback by its bold title. Nicholas was aglow, as were all of his classmates, adorned in fuzzy mittens, red sweaters, and bright snowcaps upon their heads.

Those in the front row- center stage - held up large letters, one by one, to spell out the title of the song. As the class would sing "C is for Christmas," a child would hold up the letter C. Then, "H is for Happy," and on and on, until each child holding up his portion had presented the complete message, "Christmas Love."

The performance was going smoothly, until suddenly, we noticed her; a small, quiet, girl in the front row holding the letter "M" upside down - totally unaware her letter "M" appeared as a "W". The audience of 1st through 6th graders snickered at this little one's mistake. But she had no idea they were laughing at her, so she stood tall, proudly holding her "W".

Although many teachers tried to shush the children, the laughter continued until the last letter was raised, and we all saw it together. A hush came over the audience and eyes began to widen. In that instant, we understood the reason we were there, why we celebrated the holiday in the first place, why even in the chaos, there was a purpose for our festivities. For when the last letter was held high, the message read loud and clear:

"CHRISTWASLOVE"



Son Gets an Hour A Day

A young successful attorney said: “The greatest gift I ever received was a gift I got one Christmas when my dad gave me a small box. Inside was a note saying, ‘Son, this year I will give you 365 hours, an hour every day after dinner. It’s yours. We’ll talk about what you want to talk about, we’ll go where you want to go, play what you want to play. It will be your hour!’” “My dad not only kept his promise,” he said, “but every year he renewed it—and it’s the greatest gift I ever had in my life. I am the result of his time.”



Don’t forget to take care of your RV’s frame

By Chris Dougherty CERTIFIED RV TECHNICIAN

As advanced as today’s RVs are, one thing that seems to be overlooked by many manufacturers is the finish of the frame. But even if the RV had a great paint job on the undercarriage, it would still need some care from time to time to protect it for the long run.

Think about it... the RV frame is exposed to a rough environment almost all of the time. It is usually moist, dirty, and having all kinds of road debris being chucked at it.

Most RV frames I see have some level of rust. I have seen brand-new ones on the lot with rust. So, it goes without saying that trying to keep that rust away will help give your RV a longer life, and it will look better and be easier to service as well. Now, as a side note, there are lightweight RVs that have frames without paint at all, but they won’t rust as a rule. If you’re not sure, check with your dealer or the manufacturer.



If you have a newer unit with a small amount of surface rust, there’s not much prep work you’ll have to do. You’ll want to make sure the painting surface is reasonably clean, and go to work. But, if you have an older unit

that hasn’t had much attention, and the paint is scaling with more severe rust, that must be cleaned up prior to painting. All the loose paint and rust should be scraped off, then the steel primed and painted.

As far as the type of paint to use, I recommend using a rust preventive spray or brush paint such as [Rustoleum](#) or [Ace Rust Stop](#) or equivalent. They have primers, and I use a gloss black paint. Make sure you cover all areas and apply at least a couple of coats.

Prep for painting a clean surface, including one you have removed rust and scaling paint from, includes a few steps. First, as a safety measure, make sure that any flame-producing appliance is off before painting. MASK WELL – especially if spray painting. You’d be surprised how paint mist travels! This is aesthetic, so don’t worry about stuff under the RV as much as the painted siding, etc. Do a section at a time, and be thorough and complete. If you get it right, you probably won’t have to paint again for a long time.

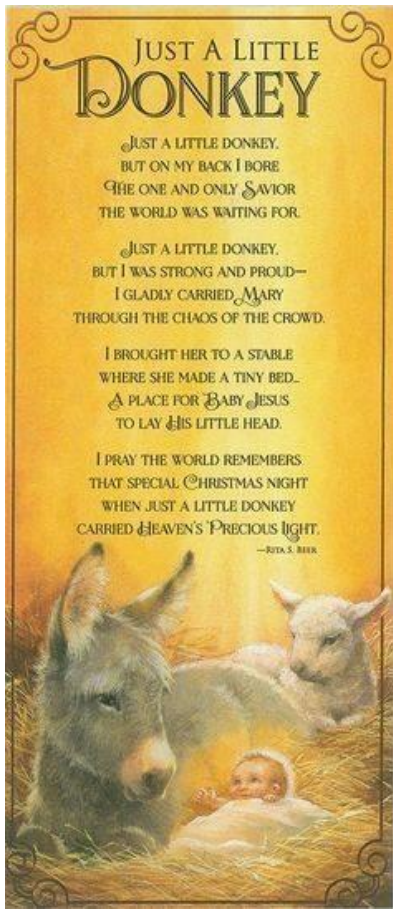
If you have the equipment, using a compressed air sprayer can make the job easier, but it is messy and really requires some training and the use of proper safety equipment such as a respirator. But, if you have a large RV, it can be a real time saver, and the outcome is usually a little prettier.

On my own coach, I have done a couple of other things while I’m under there. First, I redo each of the chassis grounds. On trailers, there’s probably only a couple, but there are a bunch on a motorhome. I clean the terminals completely, reattach and coat with undercoating.

Another thing I like to do is maintain the step carefully, especially if it is an electric model. I like to make sure it’s rust-free, and well painted with a good tread. I make sure it remains well lubricated and all the attachments are tight.

Painting under the RV gives you the opportunity to also look around for any other damage or problems. Sometimes things will be knocked loose or otherwise damaged while driving down the road. I have seen several RVs whose floors had been chewed through by rodents’ intent on making a nest inside. Finding these, and sealing them up, is essential... but that’s another article. But at the least, you’ll be keeping your RV looking new much longer, and helping to prevent premature failure of your frame.





Brain Teaser

I am a man without bones, without blood, without life. My flesh is white, cold and shrinking. What am I? (see page 6)

FIRST TIME SEX

(THIS IS SOOO FUNNY) & CLEAN!!

A girl asks her boyfriend to come over Friday night to meet, and have dinner with her parents. Since this is such a big event, the girl announces to her boyfriend that after dinner, she would like to go out and make love for the first time.

The boy is ecstatic, but he has never had sex before, so he takes a trip to the pharmacist to get some condoms. He tells the pharmacist it's his first time and the pharmacist helps the boy for about an hour. He tells the boy everything there is to know about condoms and sex.

At the register, the pharmacist asks the boy how many condoms he'd like to buy, a 3-pack, 10-pack, or family Pack. The boy insists on the family pack because he thinks he will be rather busy, it being his first time and all.

That night, the boy shows up at the girl's parents house and meets his girlfriend at the door. "Oh, I'm so excited for you to meet my parents, come on in!"

The boy goes inside and is taken to the dinner table where the girl's parents are seated. The boy quickly offers to say grace and bows his head. A minute passes, and the boy is still deep in prayer, with his head down. 10 minutes pass, and still no movement from the boy. Finally, after 20 minutes with his head down, the girl friend leans over and whispers to the boyfriend, "I had no idea you were this religious."

The boy turns, and whispers back, "I had no idea your father was THE pharmacist."

Barber Shop

A guy sticks his head into a barbershop and asks how long before I can get a haircut --- the barber said, 'about 3 hours.'

A week later, the same guy stuck his head in the shop and asked, 'How long before I can get a haircut? The barber looked around the shop and said, 'about an hour and a half. The guy left.

The barber turned to his friend and said, 'Hey, Bob, do me a favor, follow him and see where he goes. He keeps asking how long he has to wait for a haircut, but he never comes back.

A little while later, Bob returned to the shop, laughing hysterically. The barber asked, 'So, where does he go when he leaves?'

Bob looked up, wiped the tears from his eyes and said, 'Your house!'

We don't get BURNED OUT because of WHAT we do. We get burned out because we FORGET WHY we do it. Remember there's POWER in your PURPOSE.

RV Digital Nomads

RV, with an estimated 5 million people now working from the road and identifying as "digital nomads,"

How the pandemic is still affecting the RV Industry, including: The Rise of the Digital Nomads, the near 5 million people who now work remotely from their RVs

The lingering effects of the pandemic and critical, ongoing shortages in RV parts and components

The incredible demand for RVs and how if you want to order a new one, you shouldn't expect to see it for 14 months!

And how some are predicting the U.S. Canadian border will remain closed for RV travel through next spring!



The more you talk about NEGATIVE things the more you ATTRACT them into your life. Speak Victory, Health and Abundance. Your FAITH ACTIVATES God while fear activates the enemy.

The 12 days of CORONA

IN THE YEAR 2020 COVID GAVE TO ME ...

12	CANCELED PLANS	6	FEET APART
11	FACE MASKS	5	CONSPIRACIES
10	SANITIZERS	4	QUARANTINES
9	NETFLIX BINGES	3	TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS
8	ZOOM CALLS	2	COVID SCARES
7	MENTAL BREAKDOWNS		

AND MASS PANIC OVER TOILET PAPER!

They Walk Among Us!

While looking at a house, my brother asked the real estate agent which direction was north; because, he explained, he didn't want the sun waking him up every morning. She asked, "Does the sun rise in the north?" When my brother explained that the sun rises in the East, and has for sometime; she shook her head and said, "Oh I don't keep up with all that stuff."

They Walk Among Us!!

My sister has a lifesaving tool in her car designed to cut through a seat belt if she gets trapped. She keeps it in the trunk.

They Walk Among Us!



Lucille Ball, shortly before her death, did a remarkable TV interview with Merv Griffin. He asked her a very serious and pointed question: "Lucille, you've lived a long time on this earth and you are a wise person. What's happened to our country? What's wrong with our children? Why are our families falling apart? What's missing?" Lucille Ball answered without hesitation: "Papa's missing. Things are falling apart because Papa's gone. If Papa were here, he would fix it."

Brain teaser answer:

A snowman.

Timely

I found this timely, because today I was in a shoe store that sells only shoes, nothing else. A young girl with a tattoo and green hair walked over to me and asked, "What brings you in today? I looked at her and said, "I'm interested in buying a refrigerator." She didn't quite know how to respond, had that deer in the headlights look.

I was thinking about old age and decided that old age is when you still have something on the ball, but you are just too tired to bounce it. When people see a cat's litter box they always say, "Oh, have you got a cat?" I just say, "No, it's for company!"

Employment application blanks always ask who is to be called in case of an emergency. I think you should write, "An ambulance."

The older you get the tougher it is to lose weight because by then your body and your fat have gotten to be really good friends.

The easiest way to find something lost around the house is to buy a replacement.

Have you ever noticed: The Roman Numerals for forty (40) are XL.

The sole purpose of a child's middle name is so he knows when he's really in trouble.

Did you ever notice that when you put the 2 words "The" and "IRS" together it spells "Theirs?"

Aging: Eventually you will reach a point when you stop lying about your age and start bragging about it.

Some people try to turn back their "odometers." Not me. I want people to know why I look this way. I've traveled a long way and a lot of the roads were not paved. You know you are getting old when everything either dries up, sags or leaks. Ah! Being young is beautiful but being old is comfortable. Lord, keep your arm around my shoulder and your hand over my mouth.

May you always have: Love to share, Cash to spare, Tires with air, And friends who care.

Rudolph the Red



One night a Viking named Rudolph the Red was looking out the window when he said, "It's going to rain." His wife asked, "How do you know?" "Because Rudolph the Red knows rain, dear."

Ok admit you laughed?

Post Office.....Priceless

There was a man who worked for the Post Office whose job was to process all the mail that had illegible addresses.

One day, a letter came addressed in a shaky handwriting to God with no actual address.

He thought he should open it to see what it was about.

The letter read

Dear God,

I am an 83 year old widow, living on a very small pension.

Yesterday someone stole my purse. It had \$100 in it, which was all the money I had until my next pension payment.

Next Sunday is Christmas, and I had invited two of my friends over for dinner.

Without that money, I have nothing to buy food with, have no family to turn to, and you are my only hope...

Can you please help me?

Sincerely, Edna

The postal worker was touched. He showed the letter to all the other workers. Each one dug into his or her wallet and came up with a few dollars. By the time he made the rounds, he had collected \$96, which they put into an envelope and sent to the woman.

The rest of the day, all the workers felt a warm glow thinking of Edna and the dinner she would be able to share with her friends.

Christmas came and went. A few days later, another letter came from the same old lady to God. All the workers gathered around while the letter was opened.

It read:

Dear God,

How can I ever thank you enough for what you did for me?

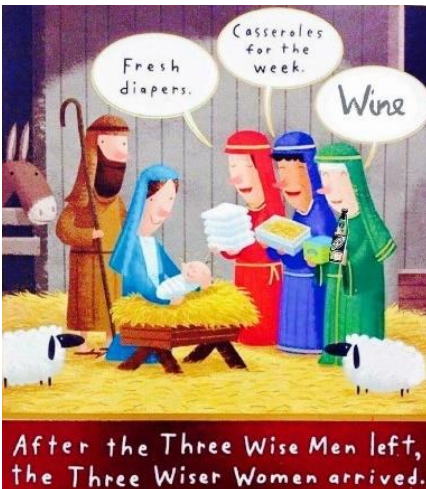
Because of your gift of love, I was able to fix a glorious dinner for my friends.

We had a very nice day and I told my friends of your wonderful gift.

By the way, there was \$4 missing.

I think it might have been those bastards at the post office.

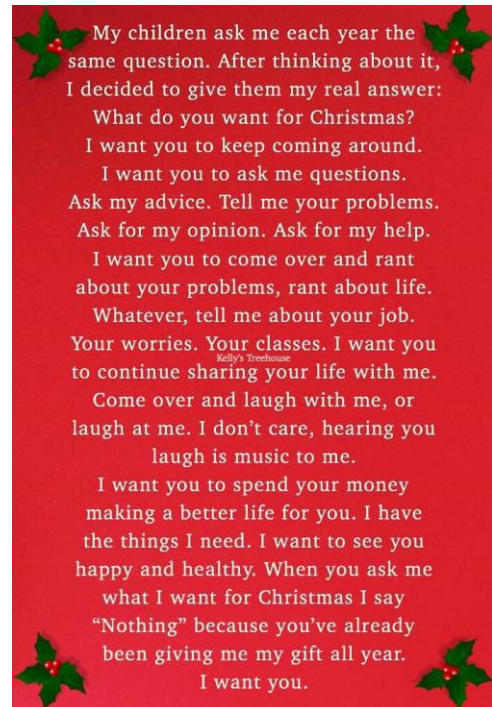
Sincerely, Edna



Divorce

An elderly man in Dublin calls his son in New York right before Christmas and says, "Son, I'm sorry, but I have to tell you that after 45 years, your mother and I are divorcing." "What are you talking about?!" the son yells in disbelief. The father says, "We're sick of each other and I'm sick of talking about this, so call your sister in Chicago and tell her."

Frantic, the son calls his sister. "No way they're leaving each other!" she shouts. She immediately calls her father. "You are not splitting up. I'm calling my brother back, and we'll be there tomorrow. Until then, don't do a thing!" The old man hangs up his phone and turns to his wife. "Well, then," he says. "They're coming home for Christmas and paying their own way!"



Trivia

Marine Reservists, headed by Major Bill Hendricks in Los Angeles, distributed 5,000 toys to children in 1947. The campaign was so successful that the following year the Marines adopted the practice nationwide and formed the Toys for Tots organization. Walt Disney Studios designed the Toys for Tots red toy train logo in 1948.



From

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IN GOD WE TRUST

